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Cardijn Community Australia Celebrates the Canonisation of Pier Giorgio Frassati: A Saint for Young People in Action

Perth, 5 September 2025 — Cardijn Community Australia (CCA) joyfully celebrates the canonisation of **Pier Giorgio Frassati**, a young lay Catholic whose life of faith, friendship, and fearless action continues to inspire youth across the globe.

Canonised on **7 September 2025**, Pier Giorgio was deeply involved in the **International Movement of Catholic Students (IMCS)** and **Pax Romana**, where he lived out the call to transform society through the lens of Catholic social teaching. His life was a living example of the **See-Judge-Act** method—first developed by **Joseph Cardijn**—which remains central to youth movements based on spirituality in action worldwide.

“Pier Giorgio’s canonisation is a call to young people everywhere to live boldly and compassionately,” said **Greg Lopez**, spokesperson for CCA and **lay male chaplain for IMCS Asia-Pacific**. “He showed that holiness is not distant or passive—it’s active, joyful, and rooted in solidarity with the poor and marginalised.”

CCA sees Pier Giorgio as a **patron of youth-led lay apostolate**, especially for students and young workers seeking to make sense of their faith in a complex world. His commitment to reflection, action, and reflection again—what Cardijn called the **See-Judge-Act**—offers a practical and spiritual roadmap for young people today.

CCA invites young Australians to rediscover Pier Giorgio’s legacy: a life of prayer, study, and courageous engagement with the world. His example challenges youth to respond to today’s pressing issues—climate justice, mental health, inequality, and exclusion—with faith and action.

About Cardijn Community Australia

[Cardijn Community Australia](#) is a lay-led association committed to promoting the spirituality and methodology of Joseph Cardijn. Through education, advocacy, and community engagement, CCA supports young Catholics in living out their faith through action for justice and solidarity.