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# The Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of our Lord, Jesus Christ

~~~~~ *Non-Denominational Christian Outdoor Performance* ~~~~~  
*Presented Annually, every 3rd Weekend in May*



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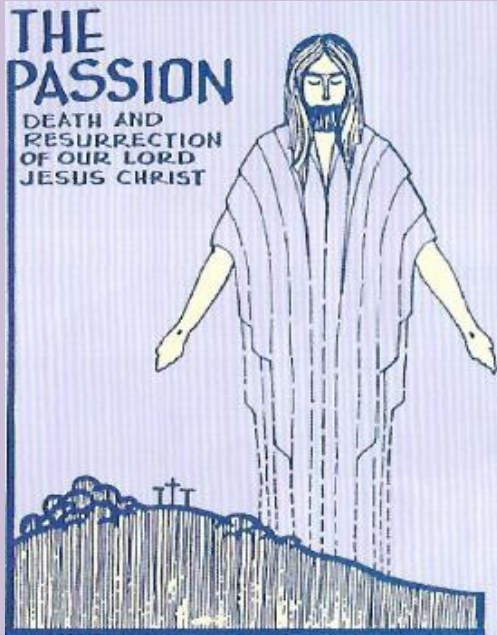


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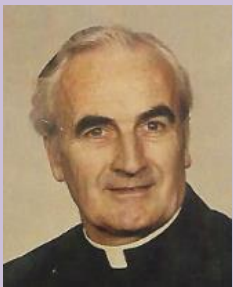
# Lake County Outdoor Passion Play



It is with great pleasure that we in Lake County invite you to our annual outdoor presentation of the Passion and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Passion Play grounds, off Highway 29, 4 miles North of Lakeport, CA, are situated on gentle rolling hills, overlooking one of America's most beautiful natural lakes... Clear Lake. More than 140 players prayerfully re-enact this most touching of dramas. Mounted Roman soldiers sweep across the 1,000 foot stage; sheep wander across the hills; a powerful sound system carries the dialog faithfully drawn from Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. A highly talented team of directors, producers, musicians, architects, engineers, maintenance grounds keepers and costume designers work throughout the year to create this experience. The Passion Play is a prayerful expression of the faith of the people involved. Men, women and children from many denominations have come together to make this a truly ecumenical experience. The visible unity among the players is truly a sign of the Holy Spirit.



The earliest dramatic representations of the Crucifixion, in Latin verse, were given early in the 13th Century. One hundred years later, Passion Plays were being performed by amateur players, grouped into societies for the purpose, in both German and French. At the height of their popularity, in the middle of the 15th Century, they had developed into elaborate productions requiring 3 days for performance. Of the Passion plays performed in modern times, the best known is one dating from 1634 at Oberammergau in the Bavarian Alps. In 1932, immigrants from Germany presented the first performance of the Black Hills Passion Play in Spearfish, South Dakota.



The Lake County Outdoor Passion Play was established In 1980 by two priests from St. Mary's Parish in Lakeport, Fr. Paul Moran and Fr. Philip Ryan. They chose the Passion Play as a way of bringing the entire community together in a prayerful way. Guided by the Holy Spirit, they found a beautiful 85 acre ranch on the shores of Clear Lake. The Passion Play has been performed, rain or shine, every 3rd weekend in May, without fail. Father Ryan laid to rest in December 2017. You can trust that he is looking down from Heaven with much delight in seeing the Lake County Outdoor Passion Play continue with such dedication

**THIRD SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN MAY**  
(Weekend after Mother's Day)

**4:00 PM**

7010 Westlake Rd, Upper Lake, CA 95485

[www.lakecountypassionplay.org](http://www.lakecountypassionplay.org)

707-263-0349 or 833-263-5277



*4 miles North of Lakeport*

**FREE ADMISSION**

- † Please bring your own chair.
- † Facilities for the handicapped.
- † **POSITIVELY NO SMOKING**, food, drink, or pets on grounds.
- † Water available.

Donations gratefully accepted

*Non-Denominational Christian Play*

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