

Greetings to All the Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of the Ecumenical Catholic Communion!

You are invited to participate in a Day of Reflection and Fellowship on Tuesday, April 7, at Saint Matthew Church in Orange California. We will gather at 11:00 AM in the Chapel for prayer, share lunch at 1:00 PM, followed by an afternoon of conversation and more prayer, then share supper at 5:30 PM. The Mass of Holy Chrism will follow at 7:00.

Do come and join us at any point in the day that you are able to come. I would be especially pleased with the enriching experience of your presence with us on that day.

In the Bond of Christ's Holy Love,

+Peter

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