

International Pilgrimage of the SCHOENSTATT FATHER SYMBOL

In 2010 the international Schoenstatt Movement began preparations for the great Jubilee Year to commemorate 100 years of their foundation and 100 years of the Covenant of Love in 2014.

As part of this world wide preparation this Father Symbol is making its pilgrimage throughout the world since February 2009. Where ever the Father Symbol makes its visit, the Schoenstatt Family eagerly welcome it as a tangible link to the Original Shrine and Schoenstatt's place of origin. It unites our world-wide members in their apostolic spirit, recalling our spiritual journey towards the Jubilee Year 2014 and see in this symbol a genuine gift from their founder.

The Symbol is a triangular silver and gold sculpture. In its centre is a round crystal stone, depicting an eye. The triangular shape symbolizes the most Holy Trinity and is historically known as a symbol of God the Father. It can also be considered a symbol for the natural and spiritual concept of fatherhood. This particular symbol was given as a gift to the Trier Schoenstatt Movement members on the 15th October 1967 by Schoenstatt's Founder himself, Fr Joseph Kentenich. In this symbol Fr Kentenich saw the loving care and guidance of God our heavenly Father for each of us, his children.