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In Honor of St. Joseph



The
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St. Joseph



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All Hymns should be sung by
the congregation.

HOLY JOSEPH

Holy Joseph, dearest father,
To thy children's prayer incline,
Whilst we sing thy joys and sorrows
And the glories which are thine.

How to praise thee, how to thank thee,
Blessed Saint we cannot tell,
Favors countless hast thou given,
Can we choose but love thee well.

Near to Jesus, near to Mary,
And kind father near to thee,
Keep us while on earth we wander
And in death our helper be.

Sing we Joseph, Spouse of Mary,
And our Mother's blessed friend,
Favors countless, mercies constant,
Thou dost ever to us send.

We have prayed and thou hast answered,

We have asked and thou hast given,
Need we marvel, Jesus tells us,
Joseph has the stores of heaven.

One more favor we will ask thee.
Thou of all canst grant it best,
When we die be thou still near us,
Bring us safe to endless rest.

LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of heaven, have mercy
on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity one God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

Illustrious son of David, pray for us.

Light of patriarchs, pray for us.

Spouse of the Mother of God, pray for us.

Chaste custodian of the Virgin, pray for
us.

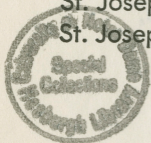
Foster father of the Son of God, pray for
us.

Christ's valiant defender, pray for us.

Head of the Holy Family, pray for us.

St. Joseph most just, pray for us.

St. Joseph most chaste, pray for us.



St. Joseph most prudent, pray for us.
St. Joseph most courageous, pray for us.
St. Joseph most obedient, pray for us.
St. Joseph most faithful, pray for us.
Mirror of patience, pray for us.
Lover of poverty, pray for us.
Exemplar of laborers, pray for us.
Model of domestic life, pray for us.
Protector of virgins, pray for us.
Support of families, pray for us.
Comfort of the suffering, pray for us.
Hope of the sick, pray for us.
Patron of the dying, pray for us.
Terror of evil spirits, pray for us.
Protector of our Holy Church, pray for us.
Lamb of God Who takest away the sins
of the world, Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God Who takest away the sins
of the world, Graciously hear us,
O Lord.
Lamb of God Who takest away the sins
of the world, Have mercy on us.
V.: He has made him the lord of his
house;
R.: And the ruler of all his possessions.

Let Us Pray

O God, Who in Thy ineffable providence hast vouchsafed to choose St. Joseph as the spouse of Thy most Holy Mother, grant, we beseech Thee, that whom we venerate on earth as our protector, we may merit to have as our intercessor in heaven, who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

(Indulgence of 5 years, once a day.)



VENI CREATOR

Veni Creator Spiritus
Mentes tuorum visita,
Imple superna gratia
Quae tu creasti pectora.
Amen.



SERMON

PRAYER OF THE ARCHCONFRATERNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

(To be said during the Solemn Novena by the
entire congregation.)

Glorious St. Joseph — who hast been elevated — by an ineffable design of God — to the dignity of Spouse of Mary — and Foster-Father of Jesus — and who hast been proclaimed — as patron of the Universal Church — we kneel with joy before thee — to thank God for the privileges bestowed upon thee — and also for the dignity — to which He hath raised thee — among all men.

Blessed be thou — because thou hast consoled — assisted — and protected — the august Virgin Mary — thy Immaculate Spouse.

Blessed be thou — because thou hast devoted thyself — to our divine Redeemer Jesus — sparing no trouble to clothe — to protect Him — against the snares of His enemies — to save Him — for the salvation of the world.

Blessed be thou — because thou hast always been the consoler — the defender — and supporter of the Church in its trials.

Blessed be thou — because no one has ever had recourse to thy protection — or

implored thy aid — without obtaining relief.

We kneel before thee — to place ourselves among the number of thy children — and in the shelter of thy powerful protection. — We shall always love and honor thee — as our kind father — and we beg of thy goodness — O dear St. Joseph — that thou mayest accept us — as thy beloved children — that thou mayest take into thy hands — our interests — temporal as well as spiritual — that thou mayest defend us — against the snares of the devil — protect us — against the dangers—with which we are surrounded. — Direct us, — O most loving Father — to the love of the Divine Heart of Jesus — to an unswerving fidelity to the Holy Church — to a filial affection — for the Blessed Virgin, our Mother — so that by thy help — we may enter heaven — to glorify God — together with thee — during all eternity. Amen.

Hail Joseph — Son of David — most pure Spouse of the Immaculate Mother of God — and faithful guardian of our Lord Jesus Christ — pray for us thy children — pray for our beloved ones — whom thou hast graciously accepted — into thy protection — and thy mighty patronage. Amen.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

O SALUTARIS

O Salutaris Hostia!
 Quae coeli pandis ostium;
Bella premunt hostilia,
 Da robur, fer auxilium.
Uni trinoque Domino
 Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
 Nobis donet in Patria. Amen.

ROSARY

TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
 Veneremur cernui;
Et antiquum documentum
 Novo cedat ritui;
Praestet fides supplementum
 Sensuum defectui.
Genitori, Genitoque
 Laus, et jubilatio,
Salus honor, virtus quoque
 Sit et benedictio;
Procedenti ab utroque
 Compar sit laudatio. Amen

BENEDICTION

DEAR GUARDIAN OF MARY

Dear Guardian of Mary! dear nurse of
her child!

Life's ways are full weary, the desert is
wild;

Bleak sands are all round us, no home
can we see;

Sweet Spouse of our Lady! we lean upon
thee.

For thou to the pilgrim art father and
guide;

And Jesus and Mary felt safe at thy side;

Ah! blessed Saint Joseph, how safe
should I be,

Sweet Spouse of our Lady! If thou wert
with me.

O blessed St. Joseph! how great was thy
worth;

The one chosen shadow of God upon
earth,

The father of Jesus — ah! then wilt thou
be,

Sweet Spouse of our Lady! a father to
me.

(On the closing night this Hymn is sung instead
of the preceding Hymn.)

HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

Holy God, we praise Thy name!
Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy sceptre claim,
All in Heav'n above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy name.

Hark, the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising!
Cherubim and Seraphim!
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.

Lo, the apostolic train,
Join Thy sacred name to hallow!
Prophets swell the loud refrain,
And with white rob'd martyrs follow
And from morn till set of sun,
Through the church the song goes on.

CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE ARCHCONFRATERNITY

1st. To have one's name entered in the register of the Archconfraternity.

2nd. To say, if convenient, every day the following ejaculation: "St. Joseph, Most Pure Spouse of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, pray for us."

Indulgences

Plenary indulgences: 1. On the day of admission into the Archconfraternity; 2. At the hour of death; 3. On March 19, the principal feast of the Association; 4. On the third Sunday after Easter, the Feast of the Patronage of St. Joseph; 5. On any day during the octave of the principal feast, March 19 - 26.

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