# Devotions to St. Joseph



#### Memorare to St. Joseph

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory be...

Remember, O Most Chaste Spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, my spiritual father, and beg your protection. O Foster Father of the Redeemer, despise not my petitions, but in your goodness hear and answer me. **Amen.** 

#### Prayer of St. Bernardine of Sienna

Remember us, St. Joseph, and plead for us to your foster child. Ask your most holy bride, the Virgin Mary, to look kindly upon us, since she is the mother of him who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns eternally. **Amen.** 

#### The St. Joseph First Wednesday devotion is:

- 1. Pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary remembering St. Joseph's love, his life, his role and his sufferings.
- 2. Receive Holy Communion in union with the love St. Joseph had for Jesus the first time and each time he held him his son, his God and Saviour in his arms.

## Prayer to St. Joseph, Terror of Demons

Saint Joseph, Terror of Demons, cast your solemn gaze upon the devil and all his minions, and protect us with your mighty staff. You fled through the night to avoid the devil's wicked designs; now with the power of God, smite the demons as they flee from you! Grant special protection, we pray, for children, fathers, families, and the dying. By God's grace, no demon dares approach while you are near, so we beg of you, always be near to us! **Amen.** 

### Prayer to St. Joseph for Purity

Saint Joseph, strong spiritual father, defend me against sins of the flesh. Jesus said: "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God." Saint Joseph, Terror of Demons, protect me from lust, immoral desires in my heart, and impure actions in my body. Help me not to offend God. Here and now, I chain myself to you and sacrifice everything for the good, the true, and the beautiful. I love you, St. Joseph, and I thank you for being my spiritual father. Amen.



#### Prayer to St. Joseph for a Soul in Purgatory

Saint Joseph, reigning in heaven with Jesus and Mary, intercede for the souls in purgatory. Today, in particular, I ask you to turn your gaze to the soul who is most forgotten in purgatory.

This soul longs to see the face of God, O good father.

Ask the Holy Trinity to take this soul to the glory of heaven today. Remember me, St. Joseph, when I die. I beg you to be prompt in delivering me from purgatory so that I can see you, Jesus, and Mary face to face. Amen.

## Prayer of St. Alphonsus Liguori for a Happy Death

St. Joseph, by that assistance which Jesus and Mary gave you at death, I beg you to protect me in a special way at the hour of my death, so that dying assisted by you, in the company of Jesus and Mary, I may go to thank you in heaven, and in your company sing God's praises for all eternity. **Amen.** 

# Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*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 Spirit, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.

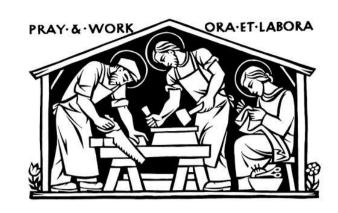
Holy Mary, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, pray for us.
Noble Offspring of David, pray for us.
Light of Patriarchs, pray for us.
Spouse of the Mother of God, pray for us.
Chaste Guardian of the Virgin, pray for us.
Foster-Father of the Son of God, pray for us.
Zealous Defender of Christ, pray for us.
Head of the Holy Family, pray for us.

Joseph Most Just, *pray for us.*Joseph Most Chaste, *pray for us.*Joseph Most Prudent, *pray for us.*Joseph Most Courageous, *pray for us.*Joseph Most Obedient, *pray for us.*Joseph Most Faithful, *pray for us.* 





Mirror of Patience, pray for us.
Lover of Poverty, pray for us.
Model of Workmen, pray for us.
Glory of Domestic Life, pray for us.
Guardian of Virgins, pray for us.
Pillar of Families, pray for us.
Comfort of the Afflicted, pray for us.
Hope of the sick, pray for us.
Patron of the Dying, pray for us.
Terror of Demons, pray for us.
Protector of the Holy Church, pray for us.



Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Have mercy on us.* 

V. He has made him lord of his household,

# R. And prince over all his possessions.

Let us pray. O God, who, in your loving providence, chose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most Holy Mother, grant us the favour of having him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our protector. You, who live and reign forever and ever. **Amen.**