

## Act of Consecration to St. Joseph

O dearest St. Joseph,  
I consecrate myself and my parish (parish name here)  
to your honor and give myself to you,  
that you may always be my father,  
my protector and my guide in the way of salvation.  
Obtain for me a greater purity of heart  
and fervent love of the interior life.  
After your example may I do all my actions  
for the greater glory of God,  
in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus  
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.  
O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for me,  
that I may share in the peace and joy  
of your holy death.  
Amen.



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# Prayer to Saint Joseph

*by Pope Leo XIII*

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation,  
and having implored the help of your most holy spouse,  
we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you  
to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God  
and through the paternal love  
with which you embrace the Child Jesus,  
we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance  
which Jesus Christ has purchased by His Blood,  
and with the power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,  
defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ;

O most loving father, ward off from us  
every contagion of error and corrupting influence;

O our most mighty protector,

be kind to us and from heaven assist us  
in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril,  
so now protect God's Holy Church

from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity;  
shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection so that,  
supported by your example and your aid,  
we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness,  
and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen

# Litany to St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, 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  
*(after each line)*

Saint Joseph,  
Renowned offspring of David,  
Light of Patriarchs,  
Spouse of the Mother of God,  
Chaste guardian of the Virgin,  
Foster-father of the Son of God,  
Diligent protector of Christ,  
Head of the Holy Family,  
Joseph most just,  
Joseph most chaste,  
Joseph most prudent,  
Joseph most strong,  
Joseph most obedient,  
Joseph most faithful,  
Mirror of patience,  
Lover of poverty,  
Model of artisans,  
Glory of home life,

Guardian of virgins,  
Pillar of families,  
Solace of the wretched,  
Hope of the sick,  
Patron of the dying  
Terror of demons,  
Protector of Holy Church,

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 made him the lord of His  
house:  
R. And ruler of all His substance.

Let us pray.  
O God, who in Thine unspeakable  
providence didst vouchsafe to  
choose blessed Joseph to be the  
spouse of Thine own most holy  
Mother: grant, we beseech Thee,  
that we may deserve to have him for  
our intercessor in heaven, whom we  
revere as our defender on earth:  
who livest and reignest world  
without end.  
Amen.

