



“Come Holy Spirit be with us as we pray, we call upon you to ignite the fire within us so, we will be one with Our Savior Jesus. Come Holy Spirit bless us with an infinite love and a faith to overcome all trials and help us to be one with Christ.”

Prayer to Saint Joseph

O Holy Joseph,
chaste spouse of the Mother of God, most glorious advocate of all who are in danger or in their last agony, and most faithful protector of all the servants of Mary, your dearest spouse.

We the Sons and Daughters of the Lamb of the Immaculate Conception, in the presence of Jesus and Mary, choose you for our powerful patron and advocate, for the obtaining of a most happy death; and we firmly resolve and purpose never to forsake you, and never to say or do anything against your honor.

Receive us, for your perpetual servant, and recommend us to the constant protection of Mary, your dearest spouse, and to the everlasting mercies of Jesus our Savior. Assist us in all the actions in the Divine Will, all which we now offer to you St Joseph for the greater and everlasting glory of Jesus and Mary.

Never, forsake us; and whatsoever grace you see most necessary and profitable for us, obtain it for us now and at the hour of our death, and may your gracious intercession be bestowed on us by our Savior, Lord Jesus Christ, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen

A Devotion in Honor of the Seven Sorrows and Joys of Saint Joseph

First Sorrow and Joy

O most pure Spouse of Mary, glorious St. Joseph, as the affliction and anguish of thy heart was exceedingly great in thy perplexity, whether thou shouldst abandon thy most unspotted Spouse, so was the joy unspeakable when, by an Angel, the sublime Mystery of the Incarnation was revealed to thee.

By this sorrow and joy, we beseech thee that now, and in our last agony, thou mayest comfort our souls by the joy of a good life and a holy death, like thine in the society of Jesus and Mary.

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Hail Joseph Son of David, the just and the chaste, Wisdom is with you; Blessed are you among all men and blessed is Jesus, the fruit of Mary, your faithful spouse. Holy Joseph, worthy foster-father and guardian of Jesus Christ and of the holy Church, pray for us sinners and obtain divine Wisdom for us from God, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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Second Sorrow and Joy

O most happy Patriarch, glorious St. Joseph, who was to fulfill the duty of foster father to the Incarnate Word, thy sorrow in beholding the poverty of the Child Jesus in His birth, was changed immediately into heavenly delight, by hearing the angelic harmony, and by beholding the glory of that most resplendent night.

By this thy sorrow and joy, we beseech Thee, that, after the passage of this life, we may in the next hear the angelic praises and enjoy the brightness of eternal glory.

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Third Sorrow and Joy

O most excellent observer of the divine law, glorious St. Joseph, the most precious Blood which the Divine Infant, our Redeemer, shed in His circumcision, afflicted thy heart: but the Sacred Name of Jesus revived it and replenished it with gladness. By this thy sorrow and joy, obtain for us, that during our life we may be free from every vice, and may in death joyfully breathe forth our soul with the Most Holy Name of Jesus in our hearts and on our lips.

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Fourth Sorrow and Joy

O most faithful Saint, who was admitted to a participation in the Mystery of our Redemption, glorious St. Joseph, if the prophecy of Simeon, concerning what Jesus and Mary were to suffer, gave thee mortal affliction, thou was likewise filled with holy joy for the salvation and glorious resurrection of innumerable souls, which he likewise foretold.

By this thy sorrow and joy, obtain for us, that we may be among the number of those who, through the merits of Jesus and the intercession of His Virgin Mother, will arise to everlasting glory.

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Fifth Sorrow and Joy

O Most vigilant guardian and intimate friend of the Incarnate Son of God, glorious St. Joseph, how much didst thou suffer in providing for and serving the Son of the Most High, particularly in the flight thou was obliged to make into Egypt! But how much also didst thou rejoice in having always with thee the same God, and seeing the Egyptian idols fall prostrate on the ground!

By this thy sorrow and joy, obtain for us, that we may keep at a distance from the infernal tyrant, especially by flying from dangerous occasions, so that the idols of earthly affections may fall from our hearts, and that, being entirely devoted to the service of Jesus and Mary, we may live for them alone, and with them calmly die.

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Sixth Sorrow and Joy

O angel on earth, glorious St. Joseph, who didst behold, subject to thine orders the King of heaven: although thy joy in conducting Him back was disturbed by the fear of Archelaus, thou was, nevertheless, comforted by an Angel, and didst dwell in safety with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth.

By this thy sorrow and joy, obtain for us, that our hearts being released from hurtful fears, we may enjoy peace of conscience, and live in security with Jesus and Mary, and die in their embraces.

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Seventh Sorrow and Joy

O model of all sanctity, glorious St. Joseph, having lost the Divine Child without any fault of thine, thou didst seek Him in great sorrow for three days, until at length thou was filled with exceeding gladness on finding Him in the temple amidst the doctors.

By this thy sorrow and joy, we beseech Thee, to intercede for us, that we may never lose Jesus by grievous sin, but that, should we have the misfortune to lose Him, we may seek for Him with unwearied sorrow until we have happily found Him: and particularly that we may find Him at the hour of our death, in order to enjoy Him in heaven, and there with thee to sing eternally His divine mercies.

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Anthem. – Jesus Himself was beginning His public life about the age of thirty years, being, as it was supposed, the Son of Joseph.

V. Pray for us, O St. Joseph. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us Pray. – O God, Who, by Thy wonderful Providence didst vouchsafe to choose St. Joseph to be the spouse of Thy Most Holy Mother; grant, we beseech Thee, that he whom we generate as our protector on earth, may be our intercessor in heaven: Who lives and reigns, world without end. Amen.

O glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the benign Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare; particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favor we now implore...(petition below)

We pray for all families to become the focal point within the Catholic Church, with proper faith formation to develop deeper spiritual lives in Christ. That the Benedictine Divine Will Center becomes an oratory of love, a place of refuge where mercy dwells, with obedience to the Will of God, a stability of heart and a commitment to live a life spiritually in piety and balance, the Benedictine way. We pray that this apostolate will continue to grow and form families into places of mercy and love, all within God's holy and Divine Will, bringing forth vocations to religious life and the priesthood from these Christ centered homes-renewing the domestic church to further the Kingdom of God on earth.

O Guardian of the Word Incarnate, we feel animated with confidence that your prayers in our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

O glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bear to Jesus Christ, and for the glory of His name. Hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. Amen (Repeat 7 times)

Litany of Saint Joseph

(<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/litany-saint-joseph>)

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.

Lord, have mercy.
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Lord, have mercy.
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God the Father in heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,
Saint Joseph,
Illustrious son of David,
Light of Patriarchs,
Spouse of the Mother of God,
Guardian of the Redeemer,

pray for us.
pray for us.
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