

Join us as we celebrate the Year of St. Joseph  
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and take part in this glorious celebration  
St. Joseph, Pray for Us



*"With a Father's Heart"*  
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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# **Novena to St. Joseph**

*Thursday, March 11 - Ends Friday, March 19*

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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.

O guardian of the Word Incarnate,/  
we feel filled with confidence/ that your  
prayers on 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. (Repeat 7times)

Let us pray

O Glorious St. Joseph,/ spouse of the  
Immaculate Virgin,/ obtain for us a  
pure,/ humble, and charitable mind,/ and  
perfect resignation to the divine Will./  
Be our guide, father and model through  
life,/ that we may merit to die as you  
did,/ in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

## **DAY ONE - Thursday, March 11, 2021**

O great St. Joseph,  
with feelings of unlimited confidence,  
we beg you to bless this novena that we begin in your honor.  
"You are never invoked in vain" says the seraphic St. Theresa of Jesus.

Be you then to me  
what you have been to that spouse of the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
and graciously hear me as you did her.

Amen.

**DAY TWO - Friday, March 12, 2021**

O blessed Saint Joseph,  
tenderhearted father,  
faithful guardian of Jesus,  
chaste spouse of the Mother of God,  
we pray and beseech you to offer to God the Father,  
His divine son,  
bathed in blood on the Cross for sinners,  
and through the thrice holy name of Jesus  
obtain for us of the eternal Father  
the favor for which we implore your intercession...  
*(State your request here...)*  
Amid the splendors of eternity,  
forget not the sorrows of those who pray,  
those who weep;  
stay the almighty arm which smites us,  
that by your prayers and those of your most holy spouse,  
the Heart of Jesus may be moved to pity and to pardon.  
Amen

**DAY THREE - Saturday, March 13, 2021**

Blessed St. Joseph,  
enkindle in our cold hearts a spark of your charity.  
May God be always the first  
and only object of our affections.  
Keep our souls always in sanctifying grace and,  
if we should be so unhappy as to lose it,  
give us the strength to recover it immediately  
by a sincere repentance.  
Help us to such a love of our God  
as will always keep us united to Him.  
Amen.  
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.  
*(State your request here...)*

**DAY FOUR - Sunday, March 14, 2021**

Saint Joseph, pride of Heaven,  
unfailing hope for our lives,  
and support of those on earth,  
graciously accept our prayer of praise.  
You were appointed spouse of the chaste Virgin  
by the Creator of the world.  
He willed that you be called "father" of the Word  
and serve as agent of our salvation.  
May the triune God who bestowed upon you heavenly honors,  
be praised forever.  
And may He grant us through your merits  
the joy of a blessed life  
and a favorable answer to our petition.

*(State your request here...)*

Amen.

**DAY FIVE - Monday, March 15, 2021**

O holy St. Joseph,  
what a lesson your life is for us,  
ever so eager to appear  
so anxious to display before the eyes of men  
the graces that we owe entirely to the liberality of God.  
In addition to the special favor for which we plead in this novena...

*(State your request here...)*

grant that we may attribute to God the glory of all things,  
that we may love the humble and hidden life,  
that we may not desire any other position  
than the one given us by Providence  
and that we may always be a docile instrument in the hands of God.

Amen.

**DAY SIX - Tuesday, March 16, 2021**

O glorious Saint Joseph,  
appointed by the Eternal Father  
as the guardian and protector of the life of Jesus Christ,  
the comfort and support of His Holy Mother,  
and the instrument in His great design  
for the redemption of mankind;  
you who had the happiness of living with Jesus and Mary,  
and of dying in their arms,  
be moved with confidence we place in you,  
and procure for us from the Almighty,  
the particular favor which  
we humbly ask through your intercession...

*(State your request here...)*

Amen.

**DAY SEVEN - Wednesday, March 17, 2021**

O faithful and prudent Saint Joseph,  
watch over our weakness  
and our inexperience;  
obtain for us that prudence which reminds us of our end,  
which directs our paths and which protects us from every danger.  
Pray for us, then, O great Saint,  
and by your love for Jesus and Mary,  
and by their love for you,  
obtain for us the favor we ask in this novena...

*(State your request here...)*

**DAY EIGHT - Thursday, March 18, 2021**

O blessed Joseph,  
to whom it was given not only to see  
and to hear that God whom many kings longed to see and saw not;  
to hear and heard not;  
but also to carry Him in your arms,  
to embrace Him, to clothe Him,  
and to guard and defend Him,  
come to our assistance and intercede with Him  
to look favorably on our present petition.

*(State your request here...)*

Amen.

**DAY NINE- Friday, March 19, 2021**

O good Saint Joseph, help us to be like you,  
gentle to those whose weakness leans on us;  
help us to give to those who seek our aid,  
succor that they may journey unafraid.  
Give us your faith,  
that we may see the right shining above the victories of might.  
Give us your hope that we may stand secure,  
untouched by doubting, steadfast to endure.  
Give us your love that as the years increase  
an understanding heart may bring us peace.  
Give us your purity that the hour of death  
finds us untouched by evil's breath.  
Give us your love of labor  
that we shirk no lot in life that calls us for honest work.  
Give us your love of poverty so that we live contented,  
let wealth come or go.  
Give us your courage that we may be strong;  
give us your meekness to confess our sins.  
Give us your patience that we may possess the kingdom  
of our souls without distress.  
Help us, dear Saint,  
to live that when life ends  
we pass with you to Jesus and His friends.

O Glorious Saint Joseph,  
hear our prayers and obtain our petitions.

Amen.

## 33-Day Consecration to St. Joseph

We invite you to take part in a 33-day consecration journey to St. Joseph beginning on Tuesday, March 30 which leads us to Saturday, May 1, Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker. Please visit [here](#) for more information on what it means to consecrate oneself to St. Joseph.

## The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, March 19, 2021

The Feast of Saint Joseph's Day is a solemnity, thus, we do not have to abstain from meat, even though March 19 is a Friday during Lent.

*Can. 1251 - Abstinence from eating meat or some other food according to the prescripts of the conference of bishops is to be observed on every Friday of the year unless a Friday occurs on a day listed as a solemnity. Abstinence and fasting, however, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.*

## Resources for the Year of St. Joseph

- Pope Francis' letter proclaiming the Year of St. Joseph
  - [http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap\\_20201208\\_patris-corde.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html)
- Prayer to St. Joseph to be said after the Rosary
  - <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-to-st-joseph-after-rosary>
- Link to the Archdiocese of Boston's page on the Year of St. Joseph
  - <https://www.bostoncatholic.org/yearofstjoseph>
- Litany of St. Joseph
  - <https://yearofstjoseph.org/devotions/prayers/>