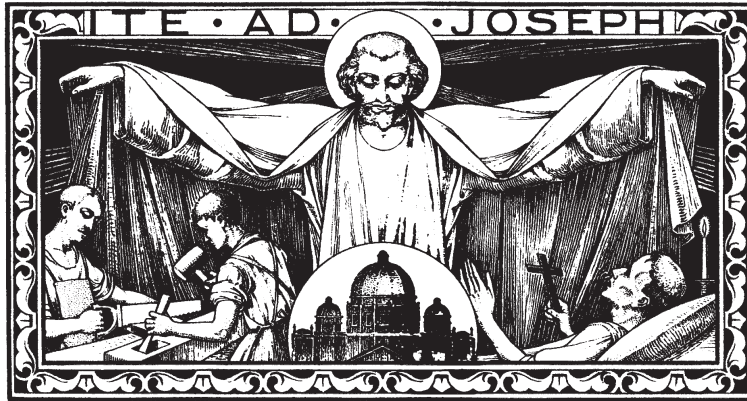


NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH FOR THE DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD – MARCH 25TH 2012

O BLESSED St. Joseph, tender-hearted father, faithful guardian of Jesus, chaste spouse of the Mother of God, I 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 favour we implore. Appease the Divine anger so justly inflamed by our crimes; beg of Jesus mercy for your children. Amid the splendours of eternity, forget not the sorrows of those who suffer, 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.



THE LITANY TO ST JOSEPH

An indulgence of 5 years. A plenary indulgence once a month under the usual conditions, if said with the above prayer and recited daily for a month.

V. Lord, have mercy on us.
R. Christ, have mercy on us.
V. Lord, have mercy on us; Christ, hear us.
R. Christ, graciously hear us.

Response: Have mercy on us God the Father of Heaven
God the Son, Redeemer of the world
God the Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, one God

<p>Response: Pray for us Holy Mary, 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,</p>	<p>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,</p>
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V. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world

R. Spare us, O Lord.

V. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world

R. Graciously hear us, O Lord.

V. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world

R. 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 reverence as our defender on earth: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen