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*MEMORARE IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH*

Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary,  
That never has it been known that anyone who asked  
for your help and sought your intercession was left unaided.

Full of confidence in your power, I hasten to you,  
and beg your protection.

Listen, O foster-father of the Redeemer,  
to my humble prayer,  
and in your goodness hear and answer me.  
Amen.

*CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH*

Saint Joseph, head of the Holy Family,  
God chose you among men to be the protector of the  
Christ Child and the guardian of the Virgin Mary.

To you whom the Church honors as her patron we joyfully  
come to consecrate ourselves and to be your adopted children.  
We feel the great need of your kind protection.

Our weakness and proneness to evil would cause us to perish,  
but for your protecting arm.

Saint Joseph, from heaven where you reign with Jesus and Mary,  
look upon us who promise to follow your example.

Grant that, after fulfilling our Christian duties on earth, we may  
have the happiness of dying with your name and the names of  
Jesus and Mary on our lips.

Amen.

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*PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH*  
*(AFTER THE RECITATION OF THE ROSARY)*

To you, O blessed Joseph,  
we have recourse in our afflictions,  
and, having implored the help of your holy Spouse,  
we now, with hearts filled with confidence,  
earnestly beg you also to take us  
under your protection.

By that charity with which you were united to  
the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by that  
fatherly love with which you cherished the Child Jesus,  
we beseech you and we humbly pray that you will  
look down with gracious eyes upon the inheritance  
which Jesus Christ purchased by his blood, and will  
assist us in our need by your power and strength.

Defend, O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,  
the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ.

Keep from us, O most loving Father, all error and  
corruption. Aid us from on high, most valiant defender,  
in this conflict with the powers of darkness.

And even as of old you rescued the Child Jesus  
from the perils of his life, so now defend God's holy  
Church from the snares of the enemy and from all  
adversity.

Shield us ever under your patronage that,  
following your example and strengthened by your help,  
we may live a holy life, die a happy death,  
and attain to everlasting bliss in heaven.  
Amen.



*TO OBTAIN A SPECIAL FAVOR*

O blessed Saint Joseph, tenderhearted father, faithful guardian of Jesus, chaste spouse of the Mother of God, I pray to you to join with me in praising God the Father through his Divine Son who died on the Cross and rose again to give sinners new life.

Through the holy Name of Jesus, pray with us that we may obtain from the eternal Father the favor we ask for ...

We have been unfaithful to the unfailing love of God the Father; beg of Jesus mercy for us all. Amid the splendors of God's loving presence, do not forget the sorrows of those who suffer, those who pray, those of your most holy Spouse, our blessed Lady, may the love of Jesus answer our call of confident hope.

Amen.

*FOR VOCATIONS TO HOLY CROSS*

Blessed Joseph, spouse of the Mother of God, protector of the Lord Jesus, and patron of our community, we ask your intercession before our gracious God.

You, who are most profound in humility, firm in faith and hope, sincere in your love, and pure in all things, pray for us.

Great Joseph, pray for Holy Cross that we will be blessed with new members so we can continue the mission of Jesus and complete God's will for us. May we live in such a way that we are worthy of new members.

Pray that we grow in love for one another, in faith of Jesus Christ, in hope for the kingdom of God. Saint Joseph, hear our prayer and answer us.  
Amen.

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*PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH  
PATRON OF HOLY CROSS  
(ADAPTED FROM THE 1947 DIRECTORY)*

**We pray to You, Saint Joseph,  
As our powerful protector and intercessor with God,  
And as the patron and benefactor of Holy Cross.**

**With confidence, we pray that you will bless and protect us  
during life, and at the hour of our death.**

**Teach us to live with the interior spirit and the virtues of the  
Holy Child, Jesus.**

**Glorious Joseph, protect forever our Congregation;  
bless and inspire those who govern it.**

**Graciously look upon this community and on all our  
religious wherever they may be; increase our number  
with those who will glorify God; and keep us ever faithful  
to our religious life.**

**Protect all of those who honor you, and bless in abundance  
those who do good to us. Guide us all to life everlasting.**

**Saint Joseph, pray for us.  
Amen.**