

Novena to St. Joseph

~ March 11 to 19 ~

*Please join in praying
for the needs of our parish community*

Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
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Christ, have mercy
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God our Father in heaven
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world
God the Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, one God
Holy Mary
Saint Joseph
Noble son of the House of David
Light of patriarchs

*have mercy on us
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pray for us
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Husband of the Mother of God	<i>pray for us</i>
Guardian of the Virgin	<i>pray for us</i>
Foster father of the Son of God	<i>pray for us</i>
Faithful guardian of Christ	<i>pray for us</i>
Head of the holy family	<i>pray for us</i>
Joseph, chaste and just	<i>pray for us</i>
Joseph, prudent and brave	<i>pray for us</i>
Joseph, obedient and loyal	<i>pray for us</i>
Pattern of patience	<i>pray for us</i>
Lover of poverty	<i>pray for us</i>
Model of workers	<i>pray for us</i>
Example to parents	<i>pray for us</i>
Guardian of virgins	<i>pray for us</i>
Pillar of family life	<i>pray for us</i>
Comfort of the troubled	<i>pray for us</i>
Hope of the sick	<i>pray for us</i>
Patron of the dying	<i>pray for us</i>
Terror of evil spirits	<i>pray for us</i>
Protector of the church	<i>pray for us</i>

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(leader): God made him master of his household
R: *And put him in charge of all that he owned*

(leader): Let us pray:
Almighty God, in your infinite wisdom and love
you chose Joseph to be the husband of Mary, the mother
of your son. As we enjoy his protection on earth may we
have the help of his prayers in heaven.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R: *Amen*

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St. Joseph,
husband of Mary and guardian of our Redeemer,
we ask you to be our guide and guardian as well.
Teach us how to pray
with the closeness to Jesus you enjoyed.
Bless and inspire the parents and grandparents
of our community to listen to and cherish
their children, helping them to live by the Gospel.

Be a special companion to widows and widowers
and single people, especially single parents.
As you provided for the Holy Family,
provide for those seeking a job, a place to live,
or help in any crisis they may be experiencing.
Be powerfully present with the sick and the dying.

This parish needs your special blessing so that all of us
can recognize how God is **calling** us
and how we are **gifted**.
You put your entire life at God's disposal;
help all of us to reach out and serve others
with the same generosity and joy.

Help us in these concerns which are close to our hearts
[pause & silently call them to mind].
May we one day join you and your blessed Mary
in praising Jesus forever and ever. Amen.