

Novena Prayer for the Conclusion of the Year of Saint Joseph - 2021

Leader: In the name of the Father/ and of the Son / and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Leader: Dear brothers and sisters, / after prayerfully observing the year of St. Joseph, / we are gathered before his holy image/ to honor him and implore his intercession for each of us /as we solemnly conclude the year of St. Joseph. Let us place ourselves in his blessed hands, / earnestly asking his powerful intercession/ for our personal intentions,/ protection of our families, /our parish family, /the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, / and the universal Church, /that we may be faithful to God and each other.

All: Saint Joseph,/You are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who come to you. Trusting in your powerful intercession,/ I seek to imitate your example of holiness. I beg you to obtain for me / the grace to nurture a humble and pure heart,/ to develop a charitable mind,/ and a perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be my guide and strength/ to model my life/ after your holy virtues./ I raise my heart and mind to you / to implore your powerful intercession / in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus / all the graces necessary / for my spiritual and temporal welfare. (Pause, State your petition(s) here in silence).

Leader: O Glorious St. Joseph! Through your love for Jesus and the glory of His Name,

All: Hear our prayers and obtain graces for us.

Leader: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,

All: Assist us!

Prayer for Men/ Fathers:

Leader: Glorious Saint Joseph, / you were privileged to share / in the mystery of the Incarnation of Jesus/ as His Foster-Father. You cared for the well-being of the infant Jesus with Mary /with a heart full of love and self-sacrifice. You protected them from all adversaries. We place before you all men in our parish community. Intercede for them/ that they may imitate your holy virtues / to love, care, protect their children, /and raise them as God-loving Catholic individuals.

All: Guardian of the Word Incarnate, /we are confident /that your prayers in our behalf/ will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Prayer for Women/Mothers:

Leader: Glorious Saint Joseph, / You merited favors in the eyes of God/ when you accepted Mary as the Mother of Jesus. As a loyal husband, / you embraced many hardships to care for her,/ protect her, /and comfort her. Your love for Mary and Jesus /was never diminished/ despite of all adversaries,/ because you trusted God fully. We entrust/ all women in our parish /to your gracious patronage. Obtain graces for them/ to live a holy life. Intercede for all mothers/ the grace to love God; rejoice at the gift their children; imitate the virtues of Blessed Mother and yours; and, responsibly raise their children/ in the Catholic faith.

All: Guardian of the Word Incarnate, /we are confident/ that your prayers in our behalf /will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Prayer for families:

Leader: Glorious Saint Joseph,/ the patron of families,/ Your family life at Nazareth was radiant with the light of divine charity. Your intimate union of heart and mind with Jesus and Mary/ is an invitation for all families/ to model theirs as well. Jesus showed every mark of honor/ and affection due for parents. Our Blessed Mother displayed all the signs of respect /and love of a devoted wife. And, you responded to them/ with the deepest love and respect. We ask you to intercede for all our Christian families in our parish; protect them from physical, financial, and other hardships; safeguard them from the moral and spiritual attacks in our society. Make our homes sanctuaries of prayer, love, and sacrifice.

All: Guardian of the Word Incarnate,/ we are confident/ that your prayers in our behalf /will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Prayer for Workers: Glorious Saint Joseph,/ It was the Will of God that you and your foster-Son/ should spend your days together in manual labor. Thus, you sanctified the human labor as the gift of God. While your hands were occupied with manual work, / your mind was tuned to God in prayer. Obtain for us the grace to respect/ the dignity of human labor. Teach us to work for God in humility and prayer / that we may offer our toil/ in union with the sacrifice of Jesus in the Holy Mass/ as a reparation for our sins,/ and gain merit to enter heaven.

All: Guardian of the Word Incarnate, /we are confident/ that your prayers in our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Prayer for the Church: Glorious Saint Joseph, / the Patron of the Universal Church. We believe that the Church is the family of God on earth,/ governed and guided by the shepherds of the church. We pray for our universal,/ local,/ and the domestic church/ and their leaders who nourish our souls with the Word of God and the Sacraments. Obtain graces for our Holy Father Pope Francis,/ our Archbishop Jose Gomez,/ other bishops,/ priests,/ deacons,/ seminarians,/ men and women religious/ and lay leaders who participate in your Son's ministerial,/ and common priesthood. Intercede for each of us here at St. Barnabas parish/ that we may be exemplary in Sacramental life,/ vibrant in prayer life,/ and relevant in daily life.

All: Guardian of the Word Incarnate, /we are confident /that your prayers in our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Litany to St. Joseph

Leader: Lord, have mercy on us.

All: Christ, have mercy on us.

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

All: Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven,

All: Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

All: Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,

All: Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God,

All: Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,

All: pray for us...

St. Joseph, Pray for us...

Illustrious son of David.

Light of patriarchs.

Spouse of the Mother of God.

Chaste guardian of the Virgin.

Foster father of the Son of God.

Watchful defender of Christ.

Head of the Holy Family.

Joseph most just.

Joseph most chaste.

Joseph most prudent.

Joseph most valiant.

Joseph most obedient.

Joseph most faithful.

Mirror of patience.

Lover of poverty.

Model of workmen.

Glory of home life.

Guardian of virgins.

Pillar of families.

Solace of the afflicted.

Hope of the sick.

Patron of the dying.

Terror of demons.

Protector of Holy Church.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

All: Spare us, O Lord!

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

All: Graciously hear us, O Lord!

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

All: Have mercy on us!

He made him the lord of His household,

All: And prince over all His possessions.

Let Us Pray:

All: To you O Blessed Joseph,/ we lift our hearts/ invoking your patronage/ to help us in our necessities. Heal us from the ongoing pandemic. Defend us and our families from the corrupting influences. Protect us in our struggle with the power of darkness/ as you protected the child Jesus from deadly peril. Shield each one of us by your constant protection/so that supported by your example and aid, /we may be able to live as pious children of God,/ die in holiness,/ and obtain eternal happiness in Heaven. Amen!

Leader: St. Joseph,

All: Pray for us!

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!