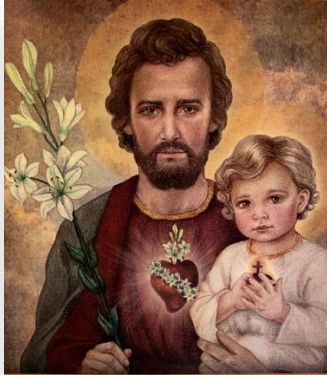


St. Joseph Novena

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The Holy Rosary Group

To be said on the 19th of every month
in thanksgiving for 100 years of grace as a parish
in the Archdiocese of Chicago



Protector • Guardian • Worker
Patron of the Universal Church



GREETING

Leader: Today, we join our voices in praise of God with and through St. Joseph, the foster father of our Lord Jesus Christ. We offer this monthly novena with humble hearts to OLPH's first patron to ask for St. Joseph's special care and protection for our families and for the miraculous healing of our Church.



+ Sign of the Cross

OPENING PRAYER

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, grant us the help of his prayers in Heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

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

God our Father of Heaven, **have mercy on us.**
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **have mercy on us.**
God the Holy Spirit, **have mercy on us.**
Holy Mary, **Pray for us.**
St. Joseph,...
Noble offspring of David,...
Light of the Patriarchs,
Husband 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 chaste,
Joseph most just,
Joseph most prudent,
Joseph most brave,
Joseph most obedient,
Joseph most loyal,
Joseph most faithful,
Mirror of patience,
Model of workers,
Example to parents,
Pillar of family life,
Comfort of the troubled,
Hope of the sick,
Patron of the dying,
Terror of evil spirits,
Protector of Holy Church,

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world.
Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world.
Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world.
Have mercy on us.

O God, who in Your ineffable providence chose Joseph to be the husband of the Most Holy Mother, grant that as we venerate him as our protector on earth, we may deserve to have him as our intercessor in Heaven, with You who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

FOR PROTECTION FOR OUR FAMILIES

Help us St. Joseph. Help our families and all our loved ones to develop an absolute trust in God's goodness.

Help us St. Joseph, to protect all the "Josephs" in our lives—fathers, husbands, brothers, sons, uncles, priests, deacons, and friends—who watch over us and guide us with loving care in the image of the Father.

Help us St. Joseph, to see with eyes of faith that even the sorrows and pains of those we love deeply can become a pathway to salvation and eternal life.

Help us St. Joseph, to be free from all useless fear and worry about our children, so we may enjoy the peace of a tranquil conscience, living safely with Jesus and Mary in our hearts.

Help us St. Joseph, never to lose Jesus through the fault of our own sins. But if we should lose him, lead us back until we find him again; so that we may finally pass from this life, dying safely in the arms of Jesus and Mary. Amen.

ACCLAMATIONS OF ST. JOSEPH

Because you were called by the mysterious design of God to be head of the Holy Family, we pray:
Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.

Because, with a husband's love you cherished Mary, the Mother of God, and with fatherly care you watched over Jesus Christ, your foster son, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because we are grateful to God for the privileges given you and also for the dignity which is yours in the Communion of Saints, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because of your untiring faith, you did as the angel of the Lord directed you, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because you devoted yourself to our Divine Redeemer, sparing no trouble to care for him, to raise him with love, faith, and affection, to guard him from danger and to nurture him for his mission of salvation, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because you consoled, assisted, and protected the Blessed Virgin Mary, your dear wife and the Mother of God, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because you have been proclaimed as patron of the Universal Church, we pray: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

Because you have always been the consoler, the defender and the supporter of the Church in its trials, we pray especially at this time: ***Blest are you forever, St. Joseph.***

FOR THE HEALING OF OUR CHURCH

Saint Joseph, we beg you to come to our aid in the present difficulty and distress of our Church. We depend on your closeness with Jesus and Mary to intercede on our behalf to make possible things which seem impossible.

Good St. Joseph, please go to Jesus to ask him for healing for all victims of sexual abuse. Ask him to purify the Church of corruption, bring justice to those who have been wronged, and grant consolation to all who are afflicted. May Jesus restore faith to those from whom it has been stolen, and give hope to those who have despaired as a result of this crisis.

Glorious St. Joseph, son of David, husband of Mary, and guardian of the Divine Redeemer, we honor you and we adore the child you named Jesus. Since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary, show that your goodness equals your power and take our Church under your special care and protection. Amen.



FINAL BLESSING

Through the intercession of St. Joseph, may the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen. +**

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