

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

Act of Consecration of the Priestly Society of Saint Pius X to Saint Joseph, Patron of the Catholic Church

O Glorious St. Joseph, Spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, Foster Father of the Son of God, appointed Head of the Holy Family and raised up as Heavenly Patron of the Catholic Church;

Thou whose faith triumphed over doubt, whose justice was as great as thy chastity, whose obedience was the servant of thy wisdom, whose strength went hand in hand with thy prudence and whose magnanimity vied with thy humility;

Thou model of those devoted to labor, assurance of those in the midst of battle, terror of the demons unleashed against the work of the Redeemer;

Thou who didst employ all thy virtues in saving the God-man from grave perils, and who from on high dost protect His Mystical Body, subjected to the ever-renewed attacks of its enemies;

Cast thine eyes upon this little portion of the flock of Jesus Christ, which an inscrutable plan of God has raised up to safeguard the Catholic priesthood and the Catholic Faith.

Conscious of its nothingness and enlivened by a boundless confidence in thy powerful patronage, O Blessed Patriarch Joseph, the Priestly Society of St. Pius X consecrates itself to thee, with all its members and all its undertakings, in order to magnify thy glories and thy virtues.

Deign, in return, O most generous Steward of the King of Glory's bounty, to grant to this little family the same benefits that thy paternity obtains for the entire Church: deign to make it thine own, to keep it faithful to its statutes, to make it live and propagate the Sacrifice of the Altar, to enrich it with spiritual life, to establish its members in the sanctity and chastity proper to their state, to strengthen it in its holy apostolic labors, to lead it in the combat for the Faith, to thwart the traps of the Enemy and to make it serve the interests of the Church.

Deign also, O our faithful Intercessor, to make of this humble legion of restorers a firm support for the Roman Pontiff in his mission to confirm his brothers in the clear and entire profession of Faith of St. Peter: *Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.*

O Thou who wast providentially placed at the side of Mary our Queen, grant that we, through thine irresistible intercession with Jesus, Sovereign Priest and King of eternal glory, may live and preach in all their most concrete consequences the divinity, the priesthood and the royalty of this same Jesus Christ, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, God, world without end.

Amen.



LITANY OF SAINT JOSEPH

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, ...Have mercy on us.

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God, the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary, Pray for us.

Saint Joseph,

Illustrious Son of David,

Light of Patriarchs,

Spouse of the Mother of God,

Chaste guardian of the Virgin,

Foster-father of Our Redeemer,

Diligent protector of Christ,

Head of the Holy Family,

Joseph most just,

Joseph most chaste,

Joseph most prudent,

Joseph most strong,

Joseph most obedient,

Joseph most faithful,

Mirror of patience,

Lover of poverty,

Model of workers,

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 the Holy Church,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, ...Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, ...Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world, ...Have mercy on us.

℟: Jesus, meek and humble of Heart,

℣: Make our hearts like unto Thine.

Let us pray.

O God, by Thine ineffable Providence, didst vouchsafe to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Thy Most Holy Mother; grant we beseech Thee, that we may be made worthy to have him for our intercessor, whom on earth we venerate as our protector. Who livest and reignest, world without end.

℟: Amen.

Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of Universal Church

Pope Leo XIII, March 4, 1882.

Most powerful patriarch Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, which has always invoked thee in anxiety and trouble, from the exalted seat of thy glory cast a loving glance upon the whole Catholic world. Let thy fatherly heart be touched at the sight of the mystical spouse and the Vicar of Christ overwhelmed with sorrow and persecuted by powerful enemies.

Oh! by the bitter anguish thou didst experience upon earth, dry the tears of the venerable Pontiff, defend him, liberate him, intercede for him with the Giver of peace and charity, that, all adversity being removed, and all error dissipated, the entire Church may serve God in perfect liberty: *Ut destructis adversitatibus et erroribus universis Ecclesia securo Deo serviat libertate.*

℟: Amen.

