

Litany of Saint Joseph

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, hear us. Jesus, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven,
God, the Son, Redeemer of
the world,
God, the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, One God,
Holy Mary,
St. Joseph,
Renowned offspring of David,
Light of Patriarchs,
Spouse of the Mother of God,
Chaste guardian of the Virgin,
Foster father of the Son of God,
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 artisans,
Glory of home life,
Guardian of virgins,
Pillar of families,
Solace of the wretched,
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,
Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world,
Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world,
He made him the lord of his
household.

Spare us, O Lord.
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Have mercy on us.
And prince over all his
possessions.

Let us pray, O God, in your ineffable providence you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother; grant, we beg you, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector; You who live and reign forever and ever.

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

The St. Joseph Altar Tradition

The St. Joseph Altar dates back to the Middle Ages in Sicily, when a severe drought brought people to the brink of starvation. Many prayers were offered to St. Joseph, and through his intercession the rains came and the crops returned. So abundant was the harvest that the fava bean was growing in the rocks. In thanksgiving, the people set up tables of food to honor their patron saint and to share with the poor. This tradition of the Altar and sharing of food is continued in America still to this day by the descendents of the immigrants who came from Italy.

The St. Joseph Altar is traditionally set up in three tiers to represent the Holy Trinity. The table is filled with fruits, vegetables, breads, sweets and flowers. There are foods containing bread crumbs to represent sawdust, reminding us that St. Joseph was a carpenter. On the top tier is the statue of St. Joseph holding the Christ Child.

There are other traditions that are celebrated as well. Baskets of fava beans are usually displayed near the Saint Joseph Altar. They signify the abundance of the harvest through St. Joseph's intercession. It is said if you carry a fava bean in your wallet, you will never lack for food and the necessities of life.

Letanía a San José

Señor ten piedad.
Cristo, ten piedad.
Señor ten piedad.

Cristo, escúchanos. Cristo, escúchanos.

Dios Padre Celestial,
nosotros.
Dios, Hijo, Redentor del mundo,
nosotros.
Dios, Espíritu Santo,
nosotros.
Santísima Trinidad que eres un solo Dios,
nosotros.

Santa María,
San José,
Renombrado descendiente de David,
Luz de los Patriarcas,
Esposo de la Madre de Dios,
Casto guardián de la Virgen,
Padre de crianza del Hijo de Dios,
Protector diligente de Cristo,
Cabeza de la Sagrada Familia,
José el más justo,
José el más casto,
José el más prudente,
José el más fuerte,
José el más obediente,
José el más fiel,
Espejo de paciencia,
Amante de la pobreza,
Modelo de artesanos,
Gloria de la vida hogareña,
Guardián de vírgenes,
Pilar de familias,
Consuelo de los miserables,
Esperanza de los enfermos,
Patrón de los moribundos,
Terror de demonios,
Protector de la Santa Iglesia,

Cordero de Dios, que quitas los
pecados del mundo,
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pecados del mundo,
Cordero de Dios, que quitas los
pecados del mundo.

Sálvanos Señor
Escúchanos Señor
Ten piedad de
nosotros

Él lo hizo el señor de su casa. Y príncipe sobre todas sus
posesiones.

OREMOS: oh Dios, que en tu inefable providencia, te agradó elegir al Beato José para ser el esposo de tu Santísima Madre; te rogamos, que seamos dignos de tenerlo por nuestro intercesor en el cielo, a quien veneramos como nuestro Protector: Tú que vives y reinas por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

San José, ruega por nosotros.

We are deeply grateful to all the volunteers for their time and dedication, and to all the bakers and those who donated and contributed their time and treasures.

We thank YOU, our guests and parish family, for sharing this blessed day with us. It is an honor

to serve you, all for the  of Saint Joseph.

All of the uneaten items will be donated to the Angel 37 Kitchen. The free will offering will go into the St. Joseph Altar/Feast Day fund with a 15% tithing to the Pine Room Renovation Fund.

Estamos profundamente agradecidos con todos los voluntarios por el tiempo y la dedicación, y a todos los trajeron postres y aquellos que donaron y contribuyeron con su tiempo y talentos.

Agradecemos a USTEDES, a nuestros invitados y a comunidad parroquial, por compartir este bendito día con nosotros. Es un honor servirles a ustedes por AMOR a San José.

Todos los artículos no consumidos serán donados a la cocina Angel 37. Los donativos económicos irá al fondo de St. Joseph Altar/Feast Day con un diezmo del 15% para el Pine Room Renovation Fund.

St. Joseph Altar



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