

For the Year of Saint Joseph

Act of Consecration to Saint Joseph

Archdiocese of New York



After Mass on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, the celebrant kneels before an image or statue of Saint Joseph in the sanctuary. He invites all to kneel and leads the people in the following prayer:

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O Glorious Patriarch and Patron of the Church! O Virgin Spouse of the Virgin Mother of God! O Guardian and Virginal Father of the Word Incarnate! In the presence of Jesus and Mary, we, the clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of New York, choose you this day to be our father, guardian, and protector.

O great Saint Joseph, whom God has made the Head of the Holy Family, accept us, we beseech you, though utterly unworthy, to be members of your "Holy House." Present us to your Immaculate Spouse; ask her also to adopt us as her children. With her, pray that we may constantly think of Jesus, and serve him faithfully to the end of our lives. O Terror of Demons, increase in us virtue, protect us from the evil one, and help us not to offend God in any way.

O Spiritual Father, we hereby consecrate the Archdiocese of New York to you. In faithful imitation of Jesus and Mary, we place all our concerns under your care and protection. To you, after Jesus and Mary, we consecrate our bodies and souls, with all their faculties, our spiritual growth, our homes, and all our affairs and undertakings.

Forsake us not, but adopt us as servants and children of the Holy Family. Watch over us at all times, but especially at the hour of our deaths. Console and strengthen us with the presence of Jesus and Mary so that, with you, we may praise and adore the Holy Trinity for all eternity. Amen.

Litany to 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, *have mercy on us.*

God, the Holy Spirit, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, One God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*

Saint Joseph, *pray for us.*

Noble offspring of David, *pray for us.*

Light of Patriarchs, *pray for us.*

Spouse of the Mother of God, *pray for us.*

Chaste guardian of the Virgin, *pray for us.*

Foster-father of the Son of God, *pray for us.*

Watchful defender of Christ, *pray for us.*

Head of the Holy Family, *pray for us.*

Joseph most just, *pray for us.*

Joseph most chaste, *pray for us.*

Joseph most prudent, *pray for us.*

Joseph most courageous, *pray for us.*

Joseph most obedient, *pray for us.*

Joseph most faithful, *pray for us.*

Mirror of patience, *pray for us.*

Lover of poverty, *pray for us.*

Model of workmen, *pray for us.*

Example to parents, *pray for us.*

Guardian of virgins, *pray for us.*
Pillar of families, *pray for us.*
Solace of the afflicted, *pray for us.*
Hope of the sick, *pray for us.*
Patron of the dying, *pray for us.*
Terror of demons, *pray for us.*
Protector of the Church, *pray for us.*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
He made him lord over his house,
and the ruler of all his possessions.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ,
by your ineffable providence
you chose Saint Joseph
to be the spouse of your most holy Mother:
grant, we beseech you,
that we may have him for an intercessor in heaven,
as we venerate him as our protector on earth.
You who live and reign forever and ever. *℞ Amen.*

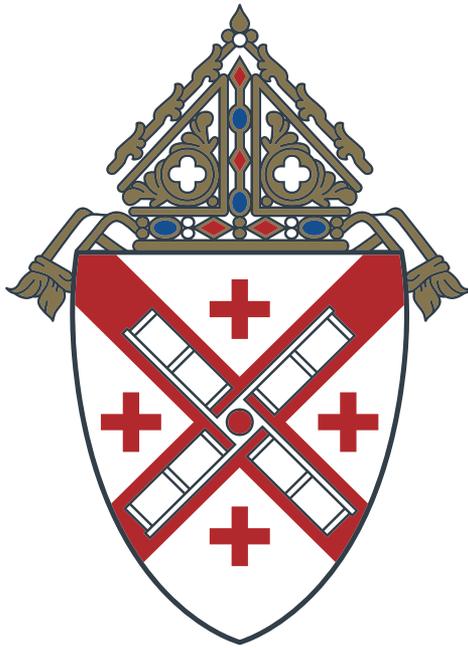
**At the conclusion of the Litany, the celebrant may light
candles or place a bouquet of white lilies in front of an
image or statue of Saint Joseph.**

Celebrant: Let us now conclude our consecration by reciting together the prayer that Pope Francis has promulgated for the Year of Saint Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.





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