

PRAYER OF POPE LEO XIII

(to be prayed after the rosary in October)

To you, O Blessed Joseph, we have recourse in our affliction, and having implored the help of your most holy spouse, we now, with hearts filled with confidence, earnestly beg you to take us under your protection. Through that sacred bond of charity which united you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by that fatherly love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you to look graciously upon the beloved inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by his blood, and to aid us in our necessities with your power and strength.

Defend, O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, the chosen children of Jesus Christ. Keep from us, O most loving father, all blight of error and corruption. Aid us from on high, most valiant defender, in this conflict with the powers of darkness. And just as you once saved the Child Jesus from mortal danger, so now defend God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Shield us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and strengthened by your help, we may be able to live a virtuous life, die a happy death, and obtain everlasting bliss in heaven. Amen.

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LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

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

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

God, the Father of Heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, One God,

*have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary,
Saint Joseph,
Noble Offspring of David,
Light of Patriarchs,
Spouse of the Mother of God,
Chaste Guardian of the Virgin,
Foster-Father of the Son of God,
Zealous Defender of Christ,
Head of the Holy Family,

*pray for us.
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Joseph Most Just,
Joseph Most Chaste,
Joseph Most Prudent,
Joseph Most Courageous,
Joseph Most Obedient,
Joseph Most Faithful,

*pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.
pray for us.*

Mirror of Patience,
Lover of Poverty,
Model of Workmen,
Glory of Domestic Life,
Guardian of Virgins,
Pillar of Families,
Comfort of the Afflicted,
Hope of the Sick,
Patron of the Dying,
Terror of Demons,
Protector of the Holy Church,

*pray for us.
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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.

V. He has made him lord of his household,

R. And prince over all his possessions.

Let us pray. *O God, who, in your loving providence, chose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most Holy Mother, grant us the favor of having him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our protector. You, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.*