

The Chaplet of St. Joseph - Patron Saint of the Universal Church, Fathers, unborn children, immigrants, travelers, workers, carpenters, and a happy death



This chaplet begins with a medal of St. Joseph and is divided into fifteen groups of four beads consisting of one white and three purple beads. The white bead symbolizes St. Joseph's purity, and the purple his Saintly piety.

Open on the medal with this prayer:

O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires

O Saint Joseph, assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers

O Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. Amen.

A mystery of the Rosary, or other Scriptural events, is considered on each white bead, and two Hail Marys are said. On the purple beads say:

Praised and blessed be Jesus, Mary and Joseph!

Optional Alternative Prayer:

Joseph, son of David, and husband of Mary: we honor you, guardian of the Redeemer, and we adore the child you named Jesus.

*Saint Joseph, patron of the universal church, pray for us, that like you we may live totally dedicated to the interests of the Savior.
Amen*

End the chaplet with the following intercession:

*V. Pray for us, O holy St. Joseph!
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ!*

Most Chaste Heart of St. Joseph, be the guardian of our family!

Let us pray.

*O God, Who has predestined St. Joseph from all eternity for the service of Thine Eternal Son and His Blessed Mother, and made him worthy to be the spouse of this Blessed Virgin and the foster father of Thy Son: we beseech Thee, through all the services he has rendered to Jesus and Mary on earth, that Thou wouldst make us worthy of his intercession and grant us to enjoy the happiness of his company in Heaven.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The 15 Mysteries of the Joseph:

1. Joseph is betrothed to Mary (Mt 1:18, Lk 1:26-27)
2. Joseph discovers Mary is pregnant (Mt 1:19)
3. Annunciation to Joseph (Mt 1:20-21)
4. Journey to Bethlehem (Lk 2:1-5)
5. Poverty of Jesus' Birth (Lk 2:6-7, 24)
6. Circumcision of Jesus (Luke 2:21)
7. Naming of Jesus (Mt 1:22-25)
8. Visitation of the Shepherds (Lk 2:15-20)
9. Presentation of Jesus in the Temple (Lk 2:22-23)
10. Proclamation of Simeon (Lk 2:25-35)
11. Flight to Egypt (Mt 2:13-15)
12. Hidden life at Nazareth (Mt 2:19-23)
13. Finding of Jesus in the Temple (Lk 2:41-52)
14. Jesus' Young Adult Life - learning Joseph's trade (Mt 13:55, Mk 6:3)
15. Joseph's Death (Church tradition, John 19: 25-2) Tradition holds that St. Joseph died before Jesus began His public ministry. This belief is based on two points: First, he never appeared during the public ministry while Mary did, like at the wedding feast at Cana; and second, from the cross, Jesus entrusted the care of His mother to St. John the apostle, indicating she was a widow with no other children to care for her. Tradition also holds that he died in the presence of Jesus and Mary. For this reason, St. Joseph is the patron saint of a holy death.

FEAST DAY: MARCH 19

This collection found from:

<http://www.catholictradition.org/Joseph/joseph9b.htm>

<https://www.michaeljournal.org/articles/roman-catholic-church/item/st-joseph-chaplet> (Seven Sorrows & Seven Joys of St. Joseph)

<http://osjusa.org/prayers/st-joseph-rosary/> (Rosary of St. Joseph using Rosary beads and same prayers as Rosary)

Great information on St. Joseph: <https://catholicstraightanswers.com/who-was-st-joseph/>

