



Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for December and January

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

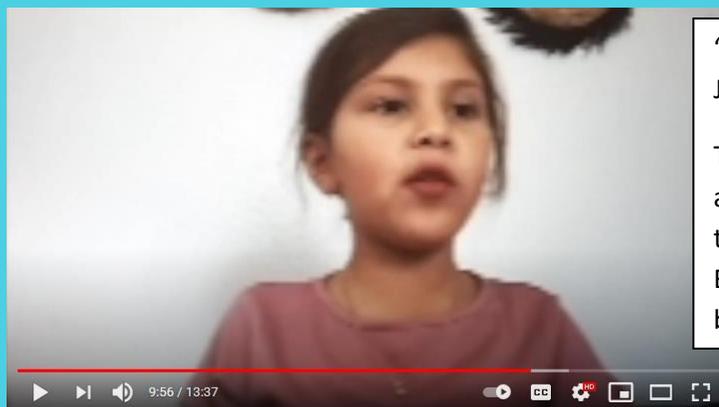
Human Fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.



Merry Christmas

2020



"... as a gift... for Baby Jesus!"
Thank you, kindergarten and pre-k friends and teachers, for your gift for Baby Jesus this year. It blessed each of us, too.



Christmas wouldn't be the same without the BABY ANGELS sharing their joy with us!



- that you could sign up at <https://flocknote.com/popes> to receive an email every weekday this year about a different pope? They're not too long and they are engaging. Try it!
- that Pope Francis has declared 2021 a "Year of St. Joseph"?

It is the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being declared the Patron of the Universal Church. Our year of dedication began Dec. 8th on the feast of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude on Dec. 8th of 2021.

"In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris corde* ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows." [Vatican News]

Pope Francis goes on to say that St. Joseph was courageous in dealing with difficulties and was like us "ordinary people" – working and not in the limelight. He accepted Mary unconditionally. He trusted God, even when he did not understand his circumstances.

St. Joseph, pray for us!

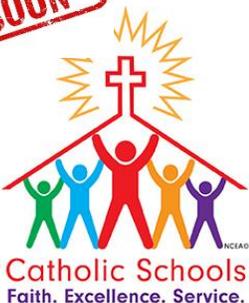
PRAYERS TO ST. JOSEPH THAT POPE FRANCIS PRAYS

"My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power."

*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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January 31 - February 6

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