

Work Prayer to St. Joseph

Glorious St. Joseph, model of all who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace:

- to work in the spirit of penance in expiation of my many sins;
- to work conscientiously by placing love of duty above my inclinations;
- to gratefully and joyously deem it an honor to employ and to develop by labor the gifts I have received from God,
- to work methodically, peacefully, and in moderation and patience, without ever shrinking from it through weariness or difficulties;
- above all, to work with purity of intention and detachment from self, having unceasingly before my eyes death and the account I will be called to render:
o of time lost, talents unused, good undone, and vain complacency in success, so baneful to work.

All for Jesus, all for Mary, all to imitate thee, O Patriarch St. Joseph! This shall be my motto in life and in death.

Amen.

Pope St. Pius X, 1906

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