

CELEBRATING ST. JOSEPH, PATRON SAINT OF FAMILIES:

Family Consecration is a practical way to intentionally live your baptismal promises and grow in union with God, as a family. Through Baptism, we become children of God, called to eternal life with Him in Heaven.

But to grow in union with God, we must choose to live for Him.

With Family Consecration, your family can renew your baptismal commitment by making an act of consecration to the Holy Family. This act of consecration is a deliberate choice to follow Jesus Christ more fully, with the help of Mary and Joseph, and to set your family apart for God. Then, taking the Holy Family as your model, each family member seeks to lead a life that gives glory to God.

Ways to live out your consecration as a family that lead to a holy life:

Prayer Life

Set a day and time to gather as a family to pray the rosary, the Divine Chaplet or read the Bible. This will help families to create a profound sense of the importance of prayer and love for God.

Sacramental Life

Our faith is nourished through the participation of the sacraments. Parents in particular set the example of the importance of a sacramental life for their children as they participate in the Eucharist and reconciliation.

Faith Formation

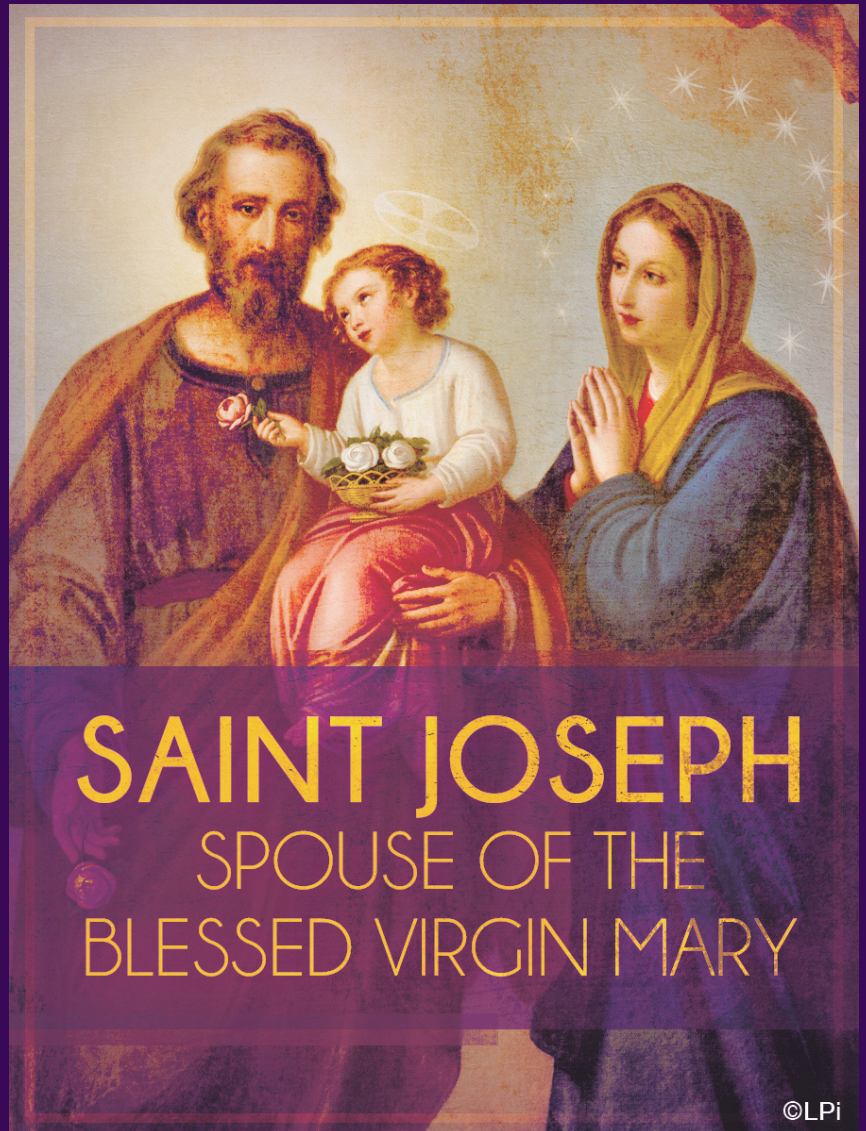
All members of the family should continually learn the faith. Receiving the sacraments is a fundamental goal but continue formation in the truths of the faith is important so that you are prepared to defend the faith and share it with others. Our parish offers opportunities for all ages to continue to grow in faith all year round.

Acts of mercy

As disciples of the Lord we obey his commandment (Mat 25: 34-36). To feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked; to shelter the homeless, to visit the sick; to visit the prisoner, to bury the dead. Participate in a parish ministry to live out this commandment.

Evangelizing

Living out our baptismal promises is to share the good news with others. Our very life style is a testimony of our faith. However, we ought to share the good news by word so that others may know Jesus, and receive the grace of salvation for the glory of God.



SOLEMNITY MASS
6 p.m., March 19
in the Church

St. Joseph, Protector of Families, Pray for Us!