



The Year of St. Joseph 2020-2021



Parish of the Immaculate Conception
and St. Joseph, Christchurch



Novena to St. Joseph 2021



St. Joseph,
Just and true, with a father's care
you raised the Child Jesus,
and with a husband's love
you shared your life with Mary, his mother.
I entrust myself to your care
and place in your hands these requests of mine
and those of every member of our parish in Christchurch

In quiet Nazareth long ago, the Holy Spirit spoke to your heart
and you followed God's will with wonderful faith.
In the quiet of my days, and in the hard choices I must make,
help me follow the Spirit's guidance
and believe when I cannot see.

Day 1

O God, guide of those who listen and helper of those who
hear your voice, speak to me, as you did to **St. Joseph**, and
help me accomplish the things you give me to do.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 2

O God, you love your people and bless the ordinary lives we
quietly live. As you blessed **St. Joseph**, bless what I do,
however hidden and simple it may be, and let all I do be done
with love.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 3

O God, ever faithful, you remember us always, and in time
reveal your blessings. Help me trust in you, as **St. Joseph**
faithfully trusted, and never let me lose faith in the
wonderful gifts you promise me.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 4

God of families, bless the family that is mine. Keep us safe
from harm, and never let evil come between us. Let peace
remain in our hearts.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 5

O God, who loves children, be kind to our children today. Give them eyes of faith for seeing far, a loving heart for welcoming life, and a place always at your side.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 6

God of our heavenly home, bless our home on earth. Let the spirit of Mary and **Joseph** rest at our table, shape our words and actions, and bring blessing to our children.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 7

God, Our Father, give your fatherly spirit to those who are fathers now. Like **Joseph**, give them hearts of devoted love for their wives and children and strength for forgiveness and patience.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 8

Give shelter, O God, to those who need it, and bring together families divided. Give us enough to eat, and decent work to earn our bread. Care for us, O God.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 9

Bless all who belong to your family, O Lord, especially those in need. Remembering the life of your Son, we pray for the poor, for those who lack a good home, for those in exile. Grant them a protector like **Joseph**.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be



Litany for the Year of St. Joseph 2020 - 2021



Saint Joseph who teaches us the value of Silence
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us to live by Faith
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us to listen to the Divine Word
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us to do God's Holy Will
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us to take Strength from the father
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us to have Confidence
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us the value of Family Life
Pray for us

Saint Joseph who teaches us the true Value of Work
Pray for us

Saint Joseph to whom our parish is dedicated, hear our prayers and protect us from harm, and help us to dedicate our lives to the service of others. **Amen**

