

### **Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of a Happy Death**

St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires.

St. Joseph, do 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.

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

### **Litany of St. Joseph**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

God our Father in heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,

**Pray for us.** \* (recite after each invocation)

Saint Joseph,

Noble son of the House of David,

Light of patriarchs,

Husband of the Mother of God,

Guardian of the Virgin,

Foster father of the Son of God,

Faithful guardian of Christ,

Head of the Holy Family,

Joseph, chaste and just,

Joseph, prudent and brave,  
Joseph, obedient and loyal,  
Pattern of patience,  
Lover of poverty,  
Model of workers,  
Example to parents,  
Guardian of virgins,  
Pillar of family life,  
Comfort of the troubled,  
Hope of the sick,  
Patron of the dying,  
Terror of evil spirits,  
Protector of the Church, pray for us.



Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

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God made him master of his household,  
And put him in charge of all that he owned.

**Let us pray.**

O God, who in your inexpressible providence were pleased to choose Saint Joseph as spouse of the most holy Mother of your Son, grant, we pray, that we, who revere him as our protector on earth, may be worthy of his heavenly intercession.

Through Christ our Lord.

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