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LORD, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*
Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*
Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*

Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously hear us.*

God, the Father of Heaven,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer
of the world,
God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary, Spouse of Joseph,
Pray for us.

Holy Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary,
Nursing-father of Jesus,
Man according to God's own heart,
Faithful and prudent servant,
Guardian of the virginity of Mary,
Companion and solace of Mary,
Most pure in virginity,
Most profound in humility,
Most fervent in charity,
Most exalted in contemplation,
Who wast declared to be a just man
by the testimony of the Holy
Ghost Himself,

Who wast enlightened above all in
heavenly mysteries,
Who wast the chosen minister of the
counsels of the Most High,
Who wast taught from above the
mystery of the Incarnate Word,
Who didst journey to Bethlehem with
Mary, thy spouse,

Have mercy on us.

Pray for us.

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Who, finding no place in the inn,
didst betake thyself to a stable,
Who wast thought worthy to be
present when Christ was born
and laid in a manger,
Who didst bear in thine arms the Son
of God,
Who didst receive the blood of Jesus
at His circumcision,
Who didst present Him to His Father
in the temple, with Mary, His
Mother,
Who, at the warning of the angel,
didst fly into Egypt with the
child and His Mother,
Who, when Herod was dead, didst
return with them into the land of
Israel,
Who for three days, with Mary, His
Mother, didst seek sorrowing the
child Jesus when He was lost at
Jerusalem,
Who, after three days, didst with joy
find Him sitting in the midst of
the doctors,
Who hadst the Lord of lords subject
to thee on the earth,
Who wast the happy witness of His
hidden life and sacred words,
Who didst die in the arms of Jesus
and Mary,
Whose praise is in the Gospel:
The spouse of Mary, of whom
was born Jesus,

Pray for us.

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Humble imitator of the Incarnate Word,

Pray for us.

Powerful support of the Church,

Pray for us.

Our advocate, *St. Joseph, hear us.*

Our patron, *St. Joseph, graciously hear us.*

In all our necessities, *St. Joseph, help us.*

In all our distresses,

In the hour of death,

Through thy most chaste espousals,

Through thy paternal care and fidelity,

Through thy love of Jesus and Mary,

Through thy labors and toils,

Through all thy virtues,

Through thy exalted honor and

eternal blessedness,

Through thy faithful intercession,

We, thy clients, *beseech thee, hear us.*

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to
obtain for us from Jesus the pardon
of our sin, *We beseech thee, hear us.*

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to
commend us faithfully
to Jesus and Mary,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe
to obtain for all, both virgins
and married, the chastity
belonging to their state,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe
to obtain for all congregations
perfect love and concord,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to direct
all rulers and prelates in the
government of their subjects,

St. Joseph, help us.

We beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to assist
all parents in the Christian
education of their children,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to
protect all those that rely upon
thy patronage,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to
support, with thy paternal help,
all congregations instituted under
thy name and patronage,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to visit
and stand by us with Jesus and
Mary in the last moment of our
life,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to
succor, by thy prayers and
intercession, all the faithful
departed,

O chaste spouse of Mary,
O faithful nursing-father of Jesus,
Holy Joseph,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *spare us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *graciously hear us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *have mercy on us.*

Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously hear us.*

✠ Pray for us, O blessed Joseph!

✠ *that we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.*

We beseech thee, hear us.

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Let us Pray.

O GOD! who didst choose St. Joseph
to be the spouse of Blessed Mary, ever
virgin, and to be the guardian and
fosterfather of Thy beloved Son, our Lord
Jesus Christ, we humbly beseech Thee to
grant us, through his patronage and
merits, such purity of mind and body
that, being clean from every stain and
clothed with the true marriage-garment,
we may, by Thy great mercy, be admitted
to the heavenly nuptials : through the
same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

O God! who in thine ineffable
providence didst vouchsafe to choose
blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Thy
most holy Mother, grant, we beseech
Thee, that we may be made worthy to
receive him for our intercessor in heaven
whom on earth we venerate as our holy
protector : who livest and reignest, world
without end. Amen.

Guardian of virgins and father, holy
Joseph, to whose faithful custody Christ
Jesus, very Innocence, and Mary, Virgin
of virgins, were committed, I pray and
beg of thee by these dear pledges, Jesus
and Mary, free me from all uncleanness,
and make me, with spotless mind, pure
heart, and chaste body ever most chastely
to serve Jesus and Mary all the days of
my life. Amen.