St Joseph 7 Day Family Devotional Opening Message - Intentional Fatherhood

The Saint Joseph devotional is meant to guide the family, through the morally intentional father's active role in his God given gift as the head of the family. It is designed to aid him in having a better understanding of the role that the mother holds as the heart of the family, and the role that the children hold in completing the trinity of the family that God divinely designed as the breath of life that renews the Domestic Church. The obedience and discipline that the family humbly demonstrates, encourages and nurtures the order needed to continue the handing on of the guiding graces of the Sacraments, and the Deposit of Faith, as God intended for us.

Before we can intentionally lead, we must first humbly follow. Wisdom shares with us that many young men find themselves lost in their faith during the gathering stage, only to find out later on in life that, due to their misguided approach, these mistakes were at the expense of their family's peaceful resolve.

This week-long devotional is intended to encourage fathers to seek out awareness of the guiding virtues, that the just model of St. Joseph intentionally places into every part of the masculine journey.

As this guide moves you through this week of discernment, you and your family will come to a better understanding of the virtues explored, as this experience becomes woven into your hearts and wills.

For the morally intentional journeyman, this journey will instill the fortitude needed for him to successfully navigate the challenges ahead; the challenges of being able to love his family past their faults and their humanity, in humility, through his mirroring of the unconditional love of our Heavenly Father.

St. Joseph, most just, intercede and guide this family through these devotional prayers and intentions over the coming week in discernment of:

Sunday - Humility

Monday - Obedience

Tuesday - Discipline

Wednesday - Prudence

Thursday - Patience

Friday - Suffering

Saturday - Charity

There is much to benefit for the family of the father who is morally intentional in navigating this chaotic world! Through mirroring St. Joseph's just model of fatherhood, selflessly step closer to yourself, and to the family you will be held accountable for, through this coming week's devotion.

St Joseph Devotional for Sunday on Humility

Humility in our Heavenly Father's Will for His family can be seen in the lives of our **Priests**. In God's divine design for His family, through Jesus' hands at the Last Supper, the Apostles were commissioned as our first priests in His command of them to "do this in memory of Me." Sacred Tradition teaches us that after the Paschal Mystery (CCC 571), the Apostles encounter the first New Covenant workings of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-11). Through the laying of hands, the Apostles fulfill Jesus' command in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Through the miracle of Transubstantiation (CCC 1376) Christ offers Himself, in His humanity, back to the Father at the hands of our Ordained priests as they transcend time in apostolic succession while bringing us back to Calvary in the *Sacrifice* of Holy Mass (LK 22:19-20 CCC1536). Sacred Tradition teaches us that the apostles were commanded to measure out the Word of God to all of us through Sacred Scripture (Acts 1:6-9). Through the apostles, at the hands of Jesus Christ Himself, in that same measure, our spiritual fathers are to measure out to us—the faithful—in proper doses, the lessons of the New Covenant Teachings of Jesus Christ (MK4:21-24). The Sacraments are the efficacious signs of grace, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church by which, through the priests, divine life is dispensed to the faithful (CCC 1131-1133). The contents of our hearts are the means in which our lives will be measured as we navigate working out our family's salvation. Seeking out and mirroring the humble heart of St. Joseph is how intentional fathers can ensure their family's safe passage.

We need to be intentional in sharing with our families that the first place we are to look for examples of humility as Catholics is in the lives of our spiritual fathers - the apostles and our priests. This objective truth is found in Apostolic Succession by God's divine design as they are the first called by Jesus in the New Covenant. The priesthood represents the Eucharistic Face of God as they sacramentally stand in for Jesus during the Sacrifice of Mass. The passion at Calvary which is fulfilled and embodied in the Eucharist during the culmination of the Mass. The Real Presence of Jesus meant to ignite our hearts and nurture us in our physical lives. Where we are made impenetrable in Holy Fellowship and become one in the body of Christ in His Universal Church. As faithful laymen, we should share in this understanding of the authority that our priests hold in salvation history and find value in intentionally handing this truth onto our family and future generations of Catholics.

If we look to St. Joseph as a model of Humility we can witness this in his virtuous approach to his vocation as the foster father to the Son of God. The just man of St. Joseph completed his mission so well, and with such humility that we know very little of his life. Nothing was about him, he lived his life for God and placed his family before himself. St. Joseph is the perfect example of God's divine design for the role of the father in the sanctity of the family. With this awareness in mind, St. Joseph is the perfect model of fatherhood for us to imitate. All fathers, spiritual and paternal alike, should submit to turning to St. Joseph for intersessional prayer as they meet life's trials in their own vocations. We should all want to be, another Joseph!

St. Joseph Devotional prayer for Humility

Heavenly Father, in your providence we look to our spiritual fathers as being Your chosen first examples of humility in The New Covenant. At your command, we wilfully join them in the source and summit of all good in the sacrifice of Holy Mass. Our communal Holy fellowship where they reveal to us Your Eucharistic face. Help us to be intentional in presenting our family's petitions on the altar during the offertory. Guide us through the intercession of St. Joseph to live in humility of spirit in our thoughts, deeds and actions, so that we too can share in the divine benefits of Your sacramental gift of grace. Undeserving favor bestowed on all who humble themselves before Your holy Presence in the Eucharist. Sow into our wills the good seed of humility by allowing the Holy Spirit to work in us so deeply, that Your Eucharistic face is seen in all that we do. We pray that in the witness of our priests we grow deeper in faith in a renewed commitment to the sacrifice of Your Holy Mass as we find a peaceful resolve in the awareness of not only believing in, but also belonging to the body of Christ, Your all enduring everlasting Universal Church. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Follow by praying the Litany of St. Joseph

St. Joseph Devotional for Monday on Obedience

Obedience to our Heavenly Father's will for His family can easily be found through the guiding graces of our **Sacraments**. Stepping closer to our faith through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where confession and penance restores us in grace and full communion with God, is where, through our obedience, we find His never ending mercy. The state of grace bestowed upon us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation is meant to divinely strengthen our wills through the removal of the weight of sin and vice from our lives. Our union with God's Will places us in a state of grace that is meant to reveal to us the objective truth needed for us to successfully navigate our physical lives, in our humanity, while working on our salvation, in humility, in our spiritual lives. We meet Jesus and become children of God through the sacraments.

If we look to St. Joseph, as a model of obedience, we can quickly see this virtue in his selfless response to the challenges that he faced in his physical life. He was challenged with accepting Mary being with child, being the foster father to the Messiah, fleeing to Egypt and returning to Nazareth, all through a series of dreams. Simply, he was challenged with navigating the first ever role of fatherhood in the New Covenant. He accomplishes all of this without the divine knowledge that we all get to share in today. We are blessed with having full knowledge of our New Covenant Teachings, our Deposit of Faith. We are rich in the faith that is handed on to us all apostolically, and which guides us all through our grace filled Sacraments. This was not the case for St. Joseph. As fathers we can learn from St. Joseph in his obedience to stay focused on fulfilling his daily obligations as a husband, a father and a worker.

Our obedience can be found in our humble acceptance of our vocation of being the father of a child of God. To look at our children as Joseph looked at Jesus; as divine. There is divinity placed in our care as fathers of the New Covenant. We will be held accountable for the role of obedience we hold in the history of salvation, by selflessly accepting that this role is God's will for the sanctity of the family.

St. Joseph Devotional prayer for Obedience

Heavenly Father, help me to guide our family in the just model of St. Joseph, toward always walking faithfully in your direction. Through childlike obedience, help us to be intentional in staying close to the path. Instill in our hearts the desire to want to get to know you more deeply through our renewed commitment to the sacrament of reconciliation. To become steadfast and unwavering in our commitment to want to sin no more, while resting peacefully in the state of grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

St Joseph Devotional for Tuesday on Discipline

Discipline to our Heavenly Father's Will for His family can easily be found in **The Sacrifice of the Mass**. Understanding the parts of the Mass, and that the Mass is not about us, is where we as children of God can find the discipline needed to actively participate in the sacrifice of Mass.

"Take the Good News out into the world". The heart of parenting comes through the discipline of seeking out guidance from Sacred Scripture in order to encourage the nurturing of our children, and ourselves, to grow in discipline. Through active participation in the Liturgy of Holy Mass, we learn how to love all of God's children past their faults. It is here that we are well formed, and are equipped with the discipline and humility needed to face the trials ahead as they present themselves in our lives and the lives of our families. Through our participation in Holy Mass, we are actively obeying Jesus' command to, "Do this in memory of me" (Luke 22: 17-19). Through the graces instilled in the Eucherist, we are renewed and able to come into full union with God.

If we look to St. Joseph, as a model of discipline, we can find it in the way he answers his call to be the protector and provider of the Holy Family. As the first father in the New Covenant, St. Joseph was given the authority to care for the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ. As fathers in The New Covenant, we are now called to answer Jesus' command to hand on the Bread of Life to our families. The order, form, and tradition found in the Mass is meant to provide us with the discipline needed to prepare our families to receive Jesus Christ, the Living Bread of life. Through the authority we are divinely given as fathers, protectors and providers of our Domestic Churches, we too can faithfully answer the call of handing on the Bread of Life to our families as we become one in the body of Christ through the Eucharist.

St. Joseph Devotional prayer for Discipline

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your divine gift of family. With an understanding that we will be held accountable for the children that You have placed in our care, fortify us to become steadfast toward studying Sacred Scripture in the Liturgy of daily Mass. Grant us the discipline needed to actively teach our children how their lives can be fulfilled by encouraging others to become one in the body of Christ, through the Eucharist. In the just model of St. Joseph, give us the strength and discipline needed to be intentional in working out our families' salvation. Through acceptance, and childlike obedience, help us to become steadfast and unwavering in our commitment of handing on our Sacred Tradition by mirroring all that we do in our lives to what is revealed in Holy Mass. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

St Joseph Devotional for Wednesday on Prudence

Prudence to our Heavenly Father's Will for His family can easily be found in Him providing for us, safe passage through the **Deposit of Faith**. In the New Covenant Teachings, Jesus establishes and places our Deposit of Faith where written Word and Sacred Tradition are meant to guide us through Apostolic Succession, toward working out our salvation. Jesus Christ Himself could not journey His physical life alone, as He needed the apostles to bring the Good News to us. In succession, we will be held responsible for handing on the Deposit of Faith to future generations. (1 Corinthians 15:3)

If we look to St. Joseph, as a model of prudence, we can quickly see this virtue in his prudential approach of securing and providing for the safe passage of Jesus and Mary in their physical lives. By his acceptance of his God given role as husband and father to the Holy Family, he surrendered his will to the needs of his family. He selflessly placed them up to a place of honor before himself in all matters. His faith was what guided his will to accept the unknown challenges ahead. His daily decisions, made in prudence, led to good results for us all. We should all want to be "another Joseph" in his prudential approach. This is God's divine design for the vocation of the father, modeled after the heart of St. Joseph.

St. Joseph Devotional prayer for Prudence

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your divine gift of the Deposit of Faith. Help us to be intentionally prudent in handing on to the children You have placed in our care, the understanding of the Deposit of Faith found in both written Word and Sacred Tradition. Help us to become steadfast and unwavering in the teachings of the Deposit of Faith, and the place it holds in Salvation History. In the just model of St. Joseph, grant us the prudence needed to instill the Deposit of Faith to future generations of Catholics. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

St Joseph Devotional for Thursday on Patience

Patience in our Heavenly Father's Will for our families can be found through us seeking out the wisdom of God's providence throughout salvation history. God's plan of Salvation for the world comes through our covenant with Jesus Christ and His establishment of **The New Covenant Teachings**.

If we are intentional in working out our salvation, we get to know Jesus Christ through the New Covenant Teachings. It takes patience to understand that working out our salvation is meant to take us our lifetime. If, in humility, through time and trial, we choose God's Will for our family over ours, He will bless us by revealing how He has provided guidance for all things in our life, through divine providence, for our greater good. We need to find peace in the patience needed to understand God's providence when things are not going as we planned. In our humanity we have limited sight and we often don't understand how God is moving in our lives. We need to have faith in God, who sees all things from eternity, and who is now guiding all things in The New Covenant through the workings of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

With this awareness in mind, contemplate your life experiences and reflect on where God's divine providence can now be seen. This view of wisdom, through time and trial, should place within you, a peaceful resolve of patience for the future. In discerning these moments of providence, grasp the movement of the hand of God in this revelation, be intentional to share this knowledge with your children, now, and as these moments are realized. Become steadfast toward instilling this wisdom into your family's hearts and wills, in an effort to place the virtue of patience needed for them to successfully navigate the trials ahead with a peaceful mindset. As a family, make a firm resolution that you will trust in God's providence with the knowledge that all of your needs are provided for in The New Covenant Teachings of Jesus Christ.

If we look to St. Joseph as a model of patience, we can quickly see this virtue in his prudential journey as the first father in the New Covenant. We can connect to the heart of St. Joseph by mirroring his patience in our intentional approach to navigating our family's journey through The New Covenant Teachings. This steadfast and unwavering mindset will fortify our resolve to make good decisions that will lead us to good results which will become woven into the hearts and wills of our families to form their character and resolve. Through the workings of the Holy Spirit, we can become another Joseph in The New Covenant, and we can be the reflection of patience needed for our families to accept that God's divine design of providence is always working for our greater good.

St. Joseph Devotional Pray for Patience

Heavenly Father, guide our family's journey through The New Covenant Teachings with the understanding that everything in our lives happens for a reason, and in the knowledge that all has been foreseen and permitted in Your providence. Instill in our hearts the desire to discern Your will in our lives, and the fortitude needed to abandon the unrest of the day to your care. With childlike devotion, help us to willfully surrender all matters of unrest into Your hands. Help us to rest easy in the peaceful resolve that, in your providence, we need not fear the path ahead. In mirroring St. Joseph, grant us the patience needed to willfully work out our salvation in God's divine providence for our family. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

St Joseph Devotional for Friday on Suffering

Suffering in our Heavenly Father's Will for His family in The New Testament can be found in the lives of our **Saints**. By Jesus' establishment of the New Covenant, through His Paschal Mystery, the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, His work of redemption to set us free from the weight of sin and the constraints of death, blood sacrifices of the Old Testament are no longer necessary. As foretold, in the resurrection, Jesus rebuilds the Temple in three days and what was once closed in discipline is now opened in mercy. Through the sacrifice offered by the Anointed One, the gates of Heaven are now opened to the faithful souls of the Old Testament, and for all who follow Him in His New Covenant Teachings. Now, in union with the communion of Saints in Heaven, we become one in the Universal Church, as the Church Militant, Penitent and Triumphant transcend all ages through the miracle of Transubstantiation (CCC 960-962). Fulfilled through the Sacrament, we become one in the Body of Christ through the Eucharist. The Bread of Life, the Real presence of the divinity of Jesus' body and blood, this is God's plan for Salvation in the New Covenant which is providentially shared with us to be realized through The Lord's Prayer.

We need to be intentional by sharing with our families this memory of suffering, the Passion at Calvary which is fulfilled and embodied in the Eucharist during the Sacrifice of Mass. The Real presence of Jesus is meant to ignite our hearts and nurture us in our physical lives. In the New Covenant the gates of Heaven are opened. The prophets of the Old Testament now join the Saints of the New Testament for us to look to for guidance and encouragement. Our brothers and sisters triumphant in the body of Christ in the Universal Church who we can now turn to in prayer, to intercede for us in our times of suffering as we intentionally work out our family's salvation.

If we look to St. Joseph, as a model of suffering, we can discern his anguish in hearing, on the day of the purification, the prophecy of holy Simeon, that the child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel and that the child would be an object of contradiction and persecution, and that a sword of sorrow shall pierce Mary's heart (Luke 2: 34-35). This wasn't the first time that St Joseph was made aware of the suffering his family would have to experience. He accepted the challenges ahead and learned how to endure suffering as he met those challenges in humility. As fathers, we put limits on the unlimited love of our Father in our denial to suffer. If we, as fathers, look to journey with Joseph in our families suffering, we will see, in God's providence, that our acceptance to endure our suffering will have transcendent effects on our families and communities. Just as our Heavenly Father fortified and guilded St. Joseph through the angels, in his suffering, He has commanded the Saints through the movement of the Holy Spirit in the New Covenant to fortify us in our moments of suffering. We can turn to Patron Saints to help guide us through periods of suffering in our physical lives. The Saints show us examples of how to suffer well, in humility, just as St. Joseph did as the first father in the New Covenant. Our mirroring of the Saints unconditional love and sacrifice will instill within our families the unconditional love of the Father that will set us free to suffer like Joseph, and as a result, heal us in all of our suffering.

St. Joseph Devotional Prayer for Suffering

Heavenly Father, guide our family in prayer as we look to St. Joseph and our saints to understand what is gained in our acceptance to suffer. With childlike obedience in seeking out Your will for our family, help us to grow in our daily suffering as we learn to love others and ourselves past our faults. In modeling the saints, embolden our hearts in the desire to free ourselves from the pain of suffering that we place on ourselves as we fall short in our humanity and turn away in our denial to suffer. Help us to become aware of the wounds of Original Sin that we all must suffer through in our physical lives as we encounter Jesus through the lives and intercession of the Saints of the New Covenant. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

A charitable heart, in our Heavenly Father's Will for His family can be found in **community**. In God's divine design, and as likened to our faith, charity is a virtue that is taught to us at the hands of our loved ones in our formative years. The God given grace filled tools divinely placed for us to teach these lessons are our Sacraments. As children of God, our first example of a charitable heart can be found when we come together as a community in holy fellowship during the sacrifice of Mass. In community we present our gifts of bread and wine, along with our petitions, on the altar of our Lord where the Eucharist unites us with the communion of Saints in the body of Christ, His Church.

Through the Liturgy of the Mass, our Domestic Churches are taught how we are to use our God given gifts as cardinal virtues meant for us to help each other along the way in our daily lives. The Liturgy of the Mass, the love story of Sacred Scripture, well placed by the Church through our Church Fathers to encourage the generations to face life's challenges with good intent for our neighbors. Through charitable hearts, we are meant to help our brothers and sisters in our time, treasure and talents, our God given gifts meant to instill a peaceful resolve into the lives of our families through the discipline, order and form that only Sacred Liturgy can gracefully impart into the sanctity of the family. Charity is our link to community, a charitable heart is what connects us. Now, full and nourished in the Word, with a charitable heart we take the good news of the Liturgy of the Mass out into the world as we become witnesses to the Word in our daily lives.

If we look to St. Joseph, as a model of Charity, or a charitable heart, we can discern this in his freely giving his "yes" to all of the unknowns he must be a witness to in his acceptance of his vocation of fathering the Son of God - the Word Incarnate. We, spiritual and paternal fathers alike, need to seek out the charitable heart of St. Joseph and follow his selfless example in acceptance of our own vocations. In the measure in which we measure, God reveals more of his divine providence for our family to us as we respond to our vocations with charitable hearts. It is in our "yes" to His call in our vocations that we begin to understand the charitable heart of our loving and merciful Father. It is through our hearts that we begin to understand our inherent roles as husbands and fathers better. In St. Joseph's vocation as head of the Holy Family he becomes the pillar of families and the protector of the Holy Church as he protects and provides the Bread of Life for us. In our vocations as spiritual and physical protectors of our families we become co-creators as we choose to take our rightful place in Salvation History in our yes meaning yes to God's divine design of transforming grace. Ownership of the selfless and charitable heart of St. Joseph is the morally intentional fathers culminating message to be found in, and then nurtured from this week-long devotional. Our hearts are restless until they rest in God.

St. Joseph Devotional prayer for Charity

Heavenly Father, in our mirroring of the charitable heart of St. Joseph, help us to "be open" to selflessly sharing our time, treasure and talents with our community as we intentionally cooperate with Your Will for the sanctity of the family. In the time between Holy Fellowship, let the grace filled Sacraments that form our wills guide us in the way that we live and interact with our neighbors out in the public square. Let our vocations form our ministries as we renew the Word out in the world as the Liturgy of the Mass teaches us how to, in our brokenness, love others, and ourselves, past our faults. Let Your food for the journey, the Eucharist, heal and strengthen us in the obedience and discipline needed for us to continue working out our families salvation. Help us to be intentional in leading our families and communities in the virtues of charity and humility as courageously as St. Joseph as we continue to step closer to the path and each other. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Follow by praying the Litany of St. Joseph

Prayer to St. Joseph,

the Foster Father of Jesus Christ and

Patron Saint in the New Covenant of the

Universal Church

St. Joseph was the first father ever to be challenged with accepting and understanding the Universal Church (meaning the Body of Christ both in heaven and on earth). He did this without any knowledge of what the New Covenant was to reveal. In the face of adversity, St. Joseph selflessly composed himself in a spirit of humility. With unwavering faith, he answered his call to action within the Holy Family.

We can all grow in our understanding of the New Covenant by learning from the example of St. Joseph, who employed his free will by trusting and following the Will of God. St. Joseph shows all fathers how to be selfless. Through his example, we can make the hard choices required to hand on all that is known and shared through the New Covenant and the Sacraments as the foundation of our faith. We are accountable to God to lead our families. If we do this well, with intent and perseverance, like St. Joseph, then we can take our rightful place at the table of God as good and worthy servants.

This prayer to St. Joseph can help all spiritual and paternal fathers, through the inevitable adversity they will face, as they work to preserve the sanctity of the family.

Prayer to Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

O Glorious Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, I implore thee to obtain from the Hearts of Jesus and Mary, the preservation of our remnant Catholic Community and all its members, from all division, dissension, and discord.

Do thou, faithful Guardian of the Holy Family, grant that our spiritual family, all the members of our remnant Catholic Community, shall ever be united in the Bonds of Faith and Charity, and shall remain always of One Heart, Mind and Soul in the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Saint Joseph, special Protector of our Community, do thou guide, bless, and protect us against the attacks of all our enemies and detractors. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Let's re-read and focus on one line from the prayer: "from all division, dissension, and discord." If you believe in Jesus Christ, you are my brother in the Universal Church, and nothing divides us from this truth. No one who believes in Jesus Christ is excluded. Wherever we are, on our spiritual paths, we are all called to treat each other with unconditional love and respect. We are all God's children, diverse and unique in our own ways, but sharing a common journey toward our eternal home and a seat at our Father's table. Faith always leads to love.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Fraternity of St. Joseph Men's Group

St Joseph Devotional Binding Message

The intent behind creating this week-long St. Joseph Devotional is to place value of the guiding graces of The New Covenant Teachings with our young fathers while in the gathering stage of life. To provide these morally intentional journeymen, and their families, knowledge of their faith that will lead them to not only believing in, but also belonging to the Body of Christ, His One Holy Catholic and Apostolis Church.

Community is what binds us. We can't do this journey alone, Jesus Himself needed the apostles to bring The New Covenant Teachings to the ages. Encouragement toward building a band of brothers to face the trials ahead while handing on the Deposit of Faith to our families and communities is the core mission of the Fraternity of St. Joseph.

Band of Brothers Prayer

Heavenly father, in the just model of St. Joseph, help us to turn to you in humility, and through obedience and discipline, place you back into our hearts, our wills, our families, our faith communities, and ultimately our public Square, We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever, unto ages of ages. Amen.

St. Joseph Devotional Family Binding Prayer

Mother Mary most pure, loving father St. Joseph, I give myself totally to you as your possession to make of me and all that I am and have whatever is most pleasing to you. Guide me and my family, through the Holy Spirit to your loving Son Jesus, that through Him we may bring the greatest possible glory to God our loving Father. Amen!

Committing to saying the FSJ Journeymen binding prayer daily will allow for the gift of self that it shares so beautifully to be woven into the hearts and lives of the family that the morally intentional journeymen touches. Let your Yes mean Yes! Become steadfast and unwavering in this conviction by perpetually reciting this binding prayer daily.

Consider Consecration to Mary and Joseph

Strive to be a just man, another Joseph in committing to consecrating yourself to Mother Mary first, then to St. Joseph. Placing our wives and children before ourselves in all that we do is God's will for the head of the Family. We should all look at St. Joseph as being the perfect embodiment of fatherhood here in the physical realm. For all fathers to aspire to in what is shared of his life in the Litany of St. Joseph.

St Joseph most just, intercede for the prayers of this intentional journeyman's family, Amen!

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