

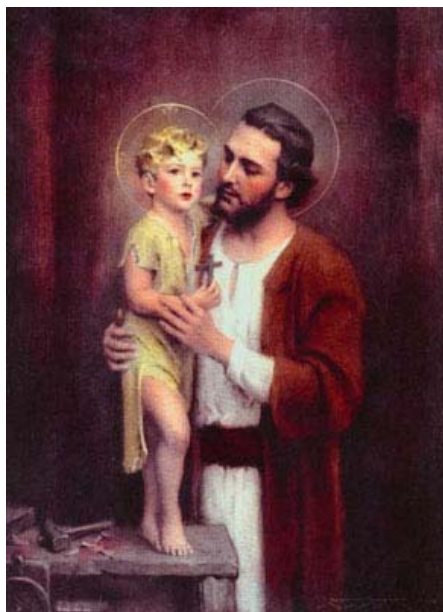
Novena to St. Joseph, April 23 - May 1

Join us as we invoke St. Joseph.

On May 1st, the Feast of St. Joseph, Notre Dame board of Fellows and Board of Trustees will meet at Notre Dame. Without question, the scandal of President Obama's planned speech will be a topic of intense discussion.

Join us in this Novena to St. Joseph, invoking him to give grace to their hearts to do the right thing.

(Since Joseph had to flee to Egypt to save the Holy Child Jesus from Herod's sword, it is safe to say that Joseph does not want someone speaking who is following in the path of Herod.)



Novena Prayer to Saint Joseph

To thee, O Blessed Joseph, we have recourse in our affliction, and having implored the help of thy most holy Spouse, we seek with confidence thy patronage also. By that affection wherewith thou wast united to the Immaculate Virgin, Mother of God; by the fatherly love with which thou didst embrace the Child Jesus, we humbly beseech thee to look down with gracious eye upon that inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased for us by His Blood, and to help us in our need by thy powerful intercession.

St. Joseph, grant Fr. Jenkins, the University of Notre Dame's Board of Trustees, Board of Fellows, and Bishop D'Arcy the grace, strength, and courage to cancel Mr. Obama's speech.

Defend, O thou most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ. Keep from us, O most loving father, all blight of error and corruption. Aid us from on high, O thou our most valiant defender, in this conflict with the powers of darkness. And even as of old thou didst rescue the Child Jesus from the peril of His life, so now defend God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Shield us ever under thy patronage, so that imitating thy example and strengthened by thy help, we may live a holy life, die a happy death, and attain to everlasting bliss in heaven. Amen.

Litany of Saint Joseph

Lord, *have mercy on us.*

Christ, *have mercy on us.*

Lord, *have mercy on us.*

Christ, *hear us.*

Christ, *graciously hear us.*

God, the Father of Heaven, *have mercy on us.*

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

God, the Holy Ghost, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, One God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*

Holy Joseph, *pray for us.*

Illustrious Son of David, *pray for us.*

Light of the Patriarchs, *pray for us.*

Spouse of the Mother of God, *pray for us.*

Chaste Guardian of the Virgin, *pray for us.*

Foster-Father of the Son of God, *pray for us.*

Faithful Protector of Christ, *pray for us.*

Head of the Holy Family, *pray for us.*

Joseph most just, *pray for us.*

Joseph most chaste, *pray for us.*

Joseph most prudent, *pray for us.*

Joseph most courageous, *pray for us.*

Joseph most obedient, *pray for us.*

Joseph most faithful, *pray for us.*

Mirror of patience, *pray for us.*

Lover of poverty, *pray for us.*

Model of working men, *pray for us.*

Ornament of the domestic life, *pray for us.*

Guardian of virgins, *pray for us.*

Pillar of the family, *pray for us.*

Consoler of the miserable, *pray for us.*

Hope of the sick, *pray for us.*

Patron of the dying, *pray for us.*

Terror of demons, *pray for us.*

Protector of the Holy Church, *pray for us.*

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.*

V. He hath made him master of His house.

R. And ruler of all His possessions.

Let us pray.

O God, who in Thy ineffable providence didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Joseph to be the Spouse of Thy most holy Mother: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may have him for our intercessor in Heaven, whom on earth we venerate as our most holy Protector. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.