

## RELIGIOUS ED

SUNDAY, MARCH 21ST

SUNDAY, APRIL 11TH IN-PERSON CLASSES

VIRTUAL CLASSES

LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE!-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

## The Year of St. Joseph

December 8, 2020-December 8, 2021



March 19th is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THE LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

Lord, have mercy on us, Christ have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us,

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Jesus, graciously hear us-God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary.

God the Son. Redeemer of the World. God the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, one God,

Pray for us.

St. Joseph, nowned offspring of David, Light of Patriarchs, ouse of the Mother of God, Chaste guardian of the Virgin. Foster father of the Son of God. Diligent protector of Christ. Head of the Holy Family.

Joseph most just. Joseph most chaste. Joseph most prudent. Joseph most prudent,
Joseph most strong,
oseph most obedient.
Joseph most faithful,
Mirror of patience,
Lover of poverty,
Model of artisans,
Globy of home life. Glory of home life. Guardian of virgins. Pillar of families.

lace of the wretched, Hope of the sick, Patron of the dying, Terror of demons Protector of Holy Church.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Jesus Lamb of God. who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, O Jesus

On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared a year honoring St. Joseph. This quiet, but strong, holy saint has always been a favorite of mine. His gentle way, his love for Mary and Jesus and his steadfast protection of his family are inspirational. St. Joseph also has that same love for us and if we invoke his help, we will be heard. His heart was so united with those of Mary and Jesus and he will help us grow in holiness personally, as a Church, as a family and as a country. St. Peter Julian Eymard, says, "Make him [St. Joseph] the patron of your family and you will soon have tangible proof of his protecting hand."

Pope Francis himself has a special devotion to St. Joseph, specifically the Sleeping St. Joseph. While on a trip to the Philippines, the Holy Father reminded the crowd that the Gospels tell us St. Joseph would listen to God in his dream and upon waking, get up and act on God's will. Pope Francis went on to explain that before going to bed he writes down prayer intentions and slips them under a statue of St. Joseph, asking him to pray for those intentions.

Please keep the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity RE Program and School students who will be confirmed on Thursday, March 18th, in your prayers.