



Saint Joseph

Saint Joseph was declared to be the patron saint and protector of the Universal Catholic Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870.

Just as Joseph was entrusted to look after the holy Child, so he continues to look after the children of God today in the great family of the Church

. . . and in our own families.

"Through God's mysterious design, it was in the family that the Son of God spent long years of a hidden life. It is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families ..

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Familiaris Consortio (n. 82).

Jesus, only Son of the Eternal Father and second person of the Holy Trinity, was conceived by The Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary, and then entrusted to an earthly father and guardian called Joseph.

And so God, through Joseph, elevates ***the role of father*** in these confusing times, gently showing what the family is meant to be in God's plan
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a mirror of the Holy Trinity,

the
cradle of life and the
sanctuary
of love.

It was prophesied in the
16th century that " *the
sound of victory will be
heard in the Church
Militant when the faithful
recognize the sanctity of*

St Joseph

. . .

The Lord will let His light shine, He will lift the veil, and great men will search out the interior gifts of God that are hidden in St. Joseph; they will find in him a priceless treasure, the like of which they had never found in other

saints of the Old Testament

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