



PRAYERS OF THE SAINTS

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH — AD TE, BEATE IOSEPH

Pope Leo XIII, 1889

Written for the end of the Rosary in October



LATIN

Ad te, beáte Ioseph, in tribulatióne nostra confúgimus, atque, imploráto Sponsæ tuæ sanctíssimæ auxílio, patrocínium quoque tuum fidénter expóscimus.

Per eam, quásumus, quæ te cum immaculáta Vírgine Dei Genetríce coniúnxit, caritátem, perque patérnum, quo Púerum Iesum ampléxus es, amórem, súpplīces deprecámur, ut ad hereditátem, quam Iesus Christus acquisívit Sanguine suo, benígnus respícias, ac necessitatibus nostris tua virtúte et ope succúrras.

Tuére, o Custos providentíssime divínæ Famíliæ, Iesu Christi sóbolem eléctam; próhibe a nobis, amantíssime Pater, omnem errórum ac corruptelárum luem; propítius nobis, sospitátor noster fortíssime, in hoc cum potestáte tenebrárum certámine e cælo adésto; et

ENGLISH

To thee, O blessed Joseph, we fly in our tribulation, and, having implored the help of thy most holy Spouse, we confidently ask thy patronage also.

By that charity which bound thee to the immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by the fatherly love with which thou didst embrace the Child Jesus, we humbly beseech thee to look graciously upon the inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by his Blood, and to help us in our needs by thy power and aid.

O most provident guardian of the divine Family, protect the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, keep far from us every plague of error and corruption; O our most mighty protector, be favourable to us and assist us from heaven in this struggle with the

sicut olim Púerum Iesum e summo
eripuísti vitæ discrímíne, ita nunc
Ecclésiám sanctam Dei ab hostílibus
insídiis atque ab omni adversitáte defénde.
Nosque sículos perpétuo tege
patrocínio, ut ad tui exémp lar et ope tua
suffúlti, sancte vívere, pie emóri,
sempiternámque in cælis beatitúdinem
ássequi possímus.

powers of darkness; and as once thou
didst rescue the Child Jesus from deadly
peril, so now defend the holy Church of
God from the snares of her enemies and
from all adversity.

Shield each one of us with thy constant
protection, so that, following thy example
and upheld by thy help, we may live
holily, die devoutly, and attain everlasting
happiness in heaven.

Amen.

