

Pope Francis's prayer

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*



The 4 values that we can learn from St. Joseph:

HUMILITY: he humbly accepted the responsibility that God placed upon his shoulders

DEDICATION: he loved Jesus as his own Son

LOYALTY: Joseph was a good father and husband, who dedicated his life to protect and give the best to his family

FAITH: he welcomed in full trust the designs of the Lord

Dear friends of the ACI Family, dear Sisters:

*With the Apostolic Letter *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*, the Pope recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church and, on this occasion, a Year specially dedicated to him will be celebrated until 8 December 2021.*

Let us discover in St Joseph the figure of a loving, tender and obedient Father, a Father who welcomes the will of God and his neighbour, a courageous and creative Father, an example of love for the Church and the poor, a Father who teaches the value, dignity and joy of work, finally, a Father in the shadow, decentered out of love for Mary and Jesus. As ACI Family let us pray that love for this great Saint may grow, so that we may implore his intercession and imitate his virtues.

In friendship,

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