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St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church



Prayer to St. Joseph

O St. Joseph, assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessing through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, so that having experienced here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. Amen.

On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis proclaimed a special "Year of Saint Joseph," extending to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, 2021.

*In a new Apostolic Letter entitled **Patris Corde** ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of Saint Joseph as a Patron of the Universal Church, describing him as a model father and a support and guide for troubled times.*

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Hymn

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) *J. Myrin & M. Redman*

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul;
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before,
O my soul;
I'll worship your holy name.**

The sun comes up,
it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass,
and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing
when the evening comes.

You're rich in love
and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great
and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness,
I will keep on singing:
ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find.

And on that day,
when my strength is failing,
the end draws near,
and my time has come;
still, my soul will sing
your praise unending:
ten thousand years,
and then forevermore.

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Gathering Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voices, let us sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden
beams,
Soft silver moon that gently gleams,
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Great rushing winds who are so
strong,
You clouds above that sail along,
O praise him! Alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice;
Stars nightly shining, find a voice,
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for your Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Fire so intense and fiercely bright,
Who gives to us both warmth and
light,
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfolds your blessings on our way,
O praise him! Alleluia!
All flow'rs and fruits that in you

grow,
Let them his glory also show:
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All you with mercy in your heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing now! Alleluia!
All you that pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God, and cast on him your
care:
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And even you, most gentle death,
Waiting to hush our final breath,
O praise him! Alleluia!
You lead back home the child of God,
For Christ our Lord that way has
trod:
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him! Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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PENITENTIAL ACT

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do.

And, striking their breast, they say: **Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;**

Then they continue:

Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Mass of Christ the Savior *D. Schutte*

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA

Mass of Christ the Savior *D. Schutte*

Glory to God. Glory to God.
Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace,
on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks
for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand,
the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen, amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:25-29

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 19

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING: James 5:1-6

A reading from the Letter of Saint James.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Renewal *D. Schutte*

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

At this time, offer up any prayers you have for yourself, loved ones, and the world. Place your prayers on the altar with the bread and wine to be offered up to God during consecration.



Preparation Hymn

Your Words Are Spirit and Life *B. Farrell*

**Your words are spirit and life,
O Lord:
richer than gold,
stronger than death.
Your words are spirit and life,
O Lord;
life everlasting.**

God's law is perfect,
refreshing the soul,
reviving the weary spirit.
God's rule can be trusted:
bringing us wisdom,
bringing God's wisdom to birth.

God's precepts keep us;
their purpose is right.
They gladden the hearts of people.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God for ever.
INVITATION TO PRAYER**

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

God's command is so clear
it brings us new vision;
bringing God's light to our eyes.

Living by God's truth
is holy and sure;
God's presence is everlasting.
God's truth is eternal,
bringing us justice;
bringing God's justice to earth.

God's word is precious,
desired more than gold;
worth more than we dare imagine
and, sweeter than honey,
this word will feed us,
bringing fulfillment and joy.

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PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

HOLY

Mass of Christ the Savior *D. Schutte*

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes,
Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Christ the Savior *D. Schutte*

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

GREAT AMEN

Mass of Christ the Savior *D. Schutte*

Amen, amen, amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

Mass of Renewal *C. Stephan*

Lamb of God,
you take away the
sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the
sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the
sins of the world,
grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

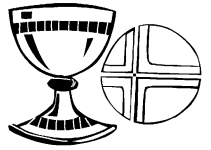
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION

At this time, we invite those celebrating at home to make a Spiritual Communion:

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually
into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite
myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

Amen.



Communion Hymn

Miracle of grace, mystery of faith,
calling us to venture to the deep.
Though our senses fail,
your graces still prevail,
and we become the love
that we receive.

**Bread of life, bread of life.
Those who eat this bread shall live
and never die.
Bread of life, bread of life.
Your true presence in this holy
sacrifice.
Bread of life.**

Miracle of Grace C. Stephan

Unworthy though we are,
you feed the hungry heart
with bread come down
from heaven above.
And like a grain of wheat,
we fall down at your feet,
dying here with you.
Oh, let us rise!

Your faithfulness revealed in this
covenant you've sealed
with your very body and your blood.
Come, claim your bride again with
love that cannot end,
for what God joins no one can divide.

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Communion Hymn

Hold On to Love *J. Manibusan*

There is a place for the sadness. Hold on to Love.
There is a season of gladness. Hold on to Love.
When pain and confusion seem endless, hold on to Love.
We cultivate healing through kindness. Hold on to Love.

Hold on to Love, where hope is found.
Hold on to Love, where joy abounds.
Hold on to Love, where grace and mercy's overflowing.
Hold on to Love.

When terror and fear overwhelm us, hold on to Love.
Courage and faith will sustain us. Hold on to Love.
When violence seeks to destroy us, hold on to Love.
Acts of compassion restore us. Hold on to Love.

When hatred is used to divide us, hold on to Love.
Wisdom and truth reunite us. Hold on to Love.
When prejudice poses as freedom, hold on to Love.
Dignity means "all are welcome!" Hold on to Love.

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Communion Hymn

Ubi Caritas *B. Hurd*

**Ubi caritas est vera, est vera:
Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est.**

become a sacrament of love,
your healing touch, O Christ.

The love of Christ joins us together.
Let us rejoice in him,
and in our love and care for all
now love God in return.

For those in need
make us your mercy,
for those oppressed, your might.
Make us, your Church, a holy sign
of justice and new life.

In true communion let us gather.
May all divisions cease
and in their place be Christ the Lord,
our risen Prince of Peace.

May we one day behold your glory
and see you face to face,
rejoicing with the saints of God
to sing eternal praise.

May we who gather at this table
to share the bread of life

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CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. **Thanks be to God.**

Sending Forth

O God Beyond All Praising *Thaxted*

O God beyond all praising, We worship you today
And sing the love amazing That songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder At ev'ry gift you send,
At blessings without number And mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you And wait upon your word,
We honor and adore you, Our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, Accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favor May serve you as our King;
And whether our tomorrows Be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows And rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty And glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty Our sacrifice of praise.

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Thank you for worshipping with the St. Francis community.

Our current Mass schedule is as follows:

Mondays-Fridays at 7:15 a.m.

Tuesdays at Noon

Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.

These Mass times may be subject to change.

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