



Thy Kingdom Come!

Novena of St. Joseph

The novena in preparation for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph begins on March 10 or nine days before the solemnity when it is transferred to another date.

Invitatory (Psalm 100)

Come, let us adore Christ, the Son of God, who deigned to be considered the son of Joseph.

℟. Come, let us adore Christ, the Son of God, who deigned to be considered the son of Joseph.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

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Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

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Go within his gates, giving thanks. Enter his courts with songs of praise. Give thanks to him and bless his name.

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Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age.

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Reading

March 10

“In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin’s name was Mary.” (Lk 1:26-27)



March 11

“The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” (Mt 1:20-21)

March 12

“Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.” (Lk 2:4-5)

March 13

“When the angel went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’ So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in a manger.” (Lk 2:15-16)

March 14

“When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, ‘Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him.’ Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt.” (Mt 2:13-14)

March 15

“When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ‘Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child’s life are dead.’ He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.” (Mt 2:19-21)

March 16

“Simeon came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him in his arms and blessed God. The child’s father and mother were amazed at what was said about him.” (Lk 2:27-28, 33)

March 17

“His mother said to Jesus, ‘Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.’ And he said to them, ‘Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?’” (Lk 2:48-49)

March 18

“When Jesus began his ministry, he was about thirty years of age. He was the son, as was thought, of Joseph.” (Lk 3:23)



God made him the master of his household.

℟. He gave him charge over all his possessions.

Concluding Prayer

Let us pray:

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that by Saint Joseph's intercession, your Church may constantly watch over the unfolding of the mysteries of human salvation, whose beginnings you entrusted to his faithful care. Through Christ our Lord.

℟. Amen.