

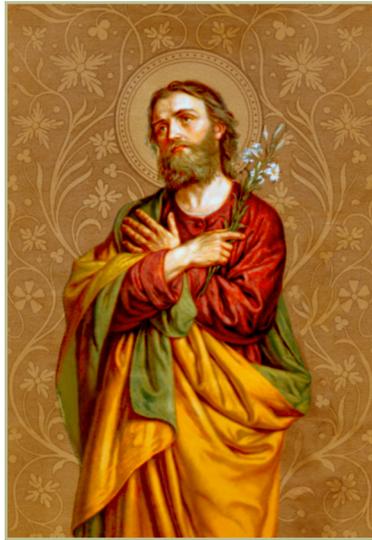
**St. Peter R.C. Parish Prayer Group
March 2023**

Honoring St. Joseph

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In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen



Leader:

Praise the Lord, all you nations!
Give glory, all you peoples!
The Lord's love for us is strong;
the Lord is faithful forever.

Amen

Psalm 117:1-2

As we walk with Your Son through these forty days of reflection and correction, help us to set aside time in each day to focus on Your great love and the incredible sacrifice made for each one of us. May we ever look to correct those things in our lives that are most displeasing to You, Lord God, and to keep our eyes open with gratitude for the many marvels and blessings in our lives, wrought by Your hand.

R (All): Praise the Lord, who is so good; His love endures forever.

Leader:

....For giving us our families and loved ones. **R**

....For blessing us with health and strength, both spiritually and physically. **R**

....For Your undying, and endless love, that graces us each day. **R**

....For the new blessings and mercies which You reveal to us over time. **R**

....For the sacrifice of Your Son, and the endurance of so much pain and suffering, so that we may have eternal salvation. **R**

....For never abandoning us in situations of trouble and despair. **R**

....For providing us with a spiritual family who can lead us by example, and offer prayerful intercessions on our behalf. **R**

Our Father
Hail Mary
Glory Be



Leader:

In Honor of St. Joseph



Let us pray

O God, Who in Thy divine providence
chose Blessed St. Joseph to be the spouse
of Thy most holy Mother Mary;
grant we beseech Thee, that he
may serve as our intercessor in Heaven,
just as he serves as our protector here on Earth.
We ask this through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.

Amen

All:

**Prayer to St. Joseph,
Patron of The Church**

O St. Joseph! Always be our protector.
May your inner spirit of peace, of silence,
of good work and of prayer for the cause
of the Holy Church always be
an inspiration for us and bring us
joy in union with your blessed spouse,
our most sweet and gentle
Immaculate Mother,
and in the strong yet tender love of Jesus,
the glorious and immortal King
of all ages and peoples.

Amen

— Pope John XIII

R (All): St. Joseph pray for us.

Leader:

....Foster father to Christ, pray that we may be able to still ourselves enough to hear God's voice in our lives. Also pray that we may be granted the courage to act quickly and decisively when called to do so. **R**

....We ask for your intercession in our ability to practice daily the sacrificial love demonstrated by both you and our Lord Jesus. **R**

....We ask you to pray that we may grow in selflessness and humility. **R**

....Pray for us to have the strength to exercise the virtues of prudence and wisdom in our daily lives. **R**

....St. Joseph, pillar of families, pray for ours. By your example may we be inspired to trust fully that God has a plan, both for us and our families. **R**

....St. Joseph, protector of the Holy Church, pray for the Holy Father, all bishops, priests and deacons; especially our own Father Cole, that they be renewed in their vocation and be able to humbly and faithfully carry out their missions. **R**

....St. Joseph pray that all of God's people stay strong in faith, passionate for justice, and tender in mercy. **R**

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(Leader)

Lenten Reflections



Lord Jesus,
You call us to repent and to believe;
for the kingdom of God is at hand.
You teach us to do God's will.
You invite us to follow You
on the way to the cross.

Lord,
Renew in us the grace of our baptism.
Transform our thoughts, words, and
deeds so that we might turn
away from sin and live the gospel



3/6

All:

Most gracious Father, keep me ever mindful of Jesus' teaching on redemption. Judge not, lest I be judged. Remind me that as I do, so it shall be done with me. As I look for Your mercy, so must I also show mercy to those whom I feel have wronged me. Then sow within me a heart of mercy and forgiveness, finding those in my life that I need to make reparation with. Let me start in this Lenten season to let go of old habits and start anew, as I walk these days with our Savior.

Through the divine grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen



3/13

All:

Heavenly Father, as Your Son Jesus cleansed the temple, allow Him to cleanse me in the same way. Let Him remove from me all that impedes my way to You. May any worldly idols be removed to make clear the way to glorifying only You. May falsehoods and slander give way to a clear understanding of Your sacred truth. May all that is corrupt and unholy be driven from my very being, so that I may live in accordance to Your word.

Through the divine grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen



3/20

All:

Heavenly Father, please fill me with gratitude for the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ. May I ever give honor for His supreme sacrifice, which was made on our behalf, to save us from sin and grant life everlasting. May I also be filled with mercy and the light of Your truth. By the power of Your loving grace, may I be strengthened and encouraged to reflect Your light upon all who cross my path.

Through the divine grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen



3/27

All:

Heavenly Father of light and love, give me the open heart that I need to accept all that is put before me; the joys and the sorrows, the pain and challenges, knowing that life will always encompass them all. May I live and breathe in the realization that You have a plan for me, just as You did for Jesus. May I never doubt that You will be by my side through it all.

Grant this through the Divine Grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen

— Mary De Turris Proust
Liturgical Press

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All:

Lastly, Ever Loving Father, we turn to You with these personal intentions, knowing that through You all things are possible. We ask, not with the intention of changing Your will, but to secure blessings for Your people and Church throughout the world.

R (All): Heavenly Father, hear our prayer.

Leader:

....Guide our Diocese as we move forward in the creation of spiritual Church families. Please allow Your Divine Grace to inspire us to grow together as a stronger, more unified body of Christ on earth. **R**

....We pray for our worlds teachers and healthcare workers. May they ever be sustained by Your Holy Grace. **R**

....Please keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your loving care. Walk closely with us, and help us to keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our homes and communities. **R**

....We pray for the protection and spiritual growth of all our children, regardless of their age. Please keep our St. Peter's School and Parish strong, and allow it to continue to bring the light of Your love to all who travel its halls and classrooms. **R**

....Holy Spirit, guide all of our tenth grade catechumens and RCIA candidates, (Matthew Bandinelli, Danielle Daly, and Janelle Zasucha), as they work to confirm their faith in Christ's Holy Church, instill in them all a strong and growing faith. **R**

....We pray that our Church, community, and world as a whole receive the grace to see every human as a child of God, regardless of race, language, or culture. **R**

....We pray for universal recognition of the sanctity of all human life. May all come to realize that even those yet to be born, have been created with love and purpose by You. **R**

....Strengthen all civic leaders and elected officials in the fair and unbiased treatment of all their constituents. May concern for the benefit of their people override their personal agendas. **R**

....We pray for Your most gracious mercy on behalf of those who are suffering, and those who are left to die alone. Many are being separated from loved ones due to current circumstances. Hold them close to You in the absence of their families. **R**

....We pray for those in most need of Your mercy and care, particularly those on our parish prayer list. **R**

....We pray for the salvation of all of our brothers and sisters who have passed from this life into the next. **R**

****** Take this time to offer up our intentions for March ******

Leader:

....Please take a moment to offer up the intentions most dear to your heart. **R**

.....We would also like to take a moment to share with each other those things that through Your Grace and intercession; we are most grateful for. R

We ask You, Heavenly Father, who is gracious and merciful, to hear these prayers brought before You, in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

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and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen





**You are cordially invited to join our
St. Peter Parish Prayer Group.
We meet every Monday. We offer two times,
Immediately following our 7:45am Mass or at
7:00pm at our St. Peter Worship Site.**

All Are Welcome