

# ST. JOSEPH



**“BE IN GOOD SPIRITS UNDER THE FATHERLY MANTLE OF ST. JOSEPH, A PLACE OF SAFEST REFUGE IN TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS.”  
ST. JOSEPH MARELLO**

St. Joseph, a descendant of King David, was engaged to Mary, but when he saw her already pregnant, he felt sad and betrayed. Joseph was planning to divorce Mary quietly until one night an angel appeared to him in a dream and explained that Mary was going to bear the Son of God. Joseph understood and trusted and followed God’s orders. The couple had Jesus in a manger in Bethlehem. When they received the Magi’s warning of King Herod, they fled to Egypt.

Besides the Christmas story, we don’t know much about St. Joseph. He stayed holy and pure to Mary, which is why he is often pictured with a lily. He was a carpenter and the earthly father of Jesus. So, we like to think he would have played with Jesus, taught Him carpentry skills, gave Him bear hugs, and maybe even told dad jokes. What we do know is, St. Joseph was a perfect father and husband.

Pray through the intercession of St. Joseph for your relationship with your father, ultimate trust and purity.

S D F U I U F A T H E R R R  
N Y Y U S T J O S E P H C Y  
E E E L J P R Y H T H H A I  
P S I Y E T E U A Y C J R T  
U L U R S E S R C T L E P T  
Y M U U J P B U F U E U E T  
E T R N E L T J H E A T N H  
F T A S T J T Y U C C L T M  
I P U R I T Y U S U R T E U  
Y Y E P E E E R B E A S R T  
L S J Y R A M B A Y R J A I  
B P R R J Y J T N S E N E F  
T T F P M S R A D R E C P B  
U R U T C S U S E J H E H T

Carpenter  
Father  
Husband  
Jesus  
Lily

Mary  
Perfect  
Purity  
St Joseph  
Trust