



The Crusader

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March 2024

**Month of
Saint Joseph**

*For Those Who
Die Suddenly*

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Dear Crusaders and Friends,

The month of March is, as you know, dedicated to St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus and patron of the Universal Church. The Church says of St. Joseph in the preface of the Mass of his feast: *who being a just man, was given by Thee as a Spouse to the Virgin Mother of God, and, as a faithful and prudent servant was set over Thy Family, that, with fatherly care, he might guard Thine only-begotten Son, conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

These words of the Church make clear to us that St. Joseph was chosen by God to fulfil a special mission in His Plan for the Redemption of the human race. He had to take the place of God the Father for Jesus Christ. It was his special privilege and duty to watch over the infancy and childhood of Jesus, to provide for Him and teach Him St. Joseph's own trade of carpentry. But the mission of St. Joseph embraces more than the physical body of the Child Jesus – it extends, by the special appointment of God, to include the Mystical Body of Christ, the Holy Catholic Church. St. Joseph watches over the Church of Christ just as, when he walked this earth, he watched over the Son of God made man.

The Crusader of the Eucharist has a similar mission in regard to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist as St. Joseph had towards the Child Jesus and has now towards the Universal Church.

The Crusader has a special duty to watch over the Blessed Sacrament as the apostle of Our Lord and His special friend. That is why the Crusader ought to love to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament often. It is why the Crusader, even if he cannot visit a Church each day, strives to spend some time in silence with Our Lord in mental prayer. The Crusader loves to make Jesus known and loved – he shows, by his example, an apostolic spirit to bring others to the feet of Jesus in the tabernacle.

Dear Crusaders, you must ask St. Joseph to help you fulfil your mission in such a way as to please the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This month of March, try to perform some special devotions in honour of St. Joseph. You could even recite his litany each day. You can be sure that St. Joseph will teach you how to be true Crusaders and custodians of the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

Remember to keep a record of your efforts this month on your Treasure Sheet. Also make special effort to return it! The Superior General of the Society of St. Pius X, Fr. Pagliarani, offers your Treasure Charts to Jesus at the Holy Mass every month.

In March we are praying especially *for those who die suddenly*. Next month we will pray *so that the Church may triumph over her enemies*.

Blessed Mother with your Loving Son, bless us each and everyone!

Fr. Joseph Ockerse



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The Sisters' Corner

A Word of Encouragement from the SSPX Sisters in Sydney

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Dear Crusaders,

Soon it will be Holy Week, the greatest week of the year! May it truly be a *holy* week, sanctified by your fervour and generous efforts! The week will open with Palm Sunday, the feast that reminds us of Jesus entering triumphantly into Jerusalem, while the Jews, especially the children, cried out, "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

Then, a few days later, it will be Holy Thursday, the great day on which Christ instituted the Blessed Sacrament. Every Crusader of the Eucharistic Crusade should do his very best to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion on this great feast. As Crusaders, it is *your* feast day! How ungrateful a Crusader would be if he made no effort to receive Holy Communion on the very day on which Jesus gave us this precious gift!

Holy Thursday is also the day on which the priesthood was instituted. For this reason, when several priests are together, one priest offers Mass and the other priests receive Holy Communion from his hands to remind us of Christ giving Holy Communion to His Apostles and ordaining them priests when He said, "Do this in memory of Me."

On Holy Thursday, make sure you thank Jesus for giving us the Blessed Sacrament and pray very especially for our priests on this feast of the first ordinations! Also, do not forget to ask God to send us many more priests, because there are so few priests and so much work to be done! Thank Him, too, for the priests He has given us. Where would we be without them?

St. John Marie Vianney once said to the children in his catechism class, "Who gave life to our souls by baptism? It was the priest! Who feeds our souls by Holy Communion? The priests! Who prepares souls to appear before God, washing their souls one final time in the Blood of Christ? It is the priest, always the priest! And if a soul dies by committing a mortal sin, who will bring it back to life and restore its peace? Again, it is the priest! Ah, how great is the dignity of the priest!"

Dear Crusaders, do not forget, then to pray for your priests on 28 March! "*O Lord, grant us priests! O Lord, grant us holy priests! O Lord, grant us many holy priests!*"

*The Sisters*

# A Little Heart to Heart Talk

By Fr. Mark Staffki

## #20: Behold the Lamb of God (8-6-2023)

Dear Children,

Today is the Feast of Corpus Christi; and since we have a long procession at the end of Mass, I will keep the sermon short. Imagine yourself standing on the banks of the River Jordan. There is a man, dressed in animal skins, preaching with great strength: "Repent! Do penance! The Messiah will soon be here." This is someone we have met before, at the *Kyrie* of the Mass: St John the Baptist. When last we met him, he was still an infant in his mother's womb, jumping for joy. By the time we reach the Epistle, he has eaten many a locusts and is a full-grown man. Now, don't you go eating locusts; it would break your communion fast, and we all want so badly to be able to receive Jesus in Holy Communion today. The Epistle of the Mass reminds us of the preaching of St John the Baptist. The Epistle prepares the way for the Gospel of Christ.

Suddenly, we notice this courageous man, in the midst of preaching a sermon, change his tune. "Behold the Lamb of God," he all but whispers. "Behold Him who takes away the sin of the world!" Follow his respectful gaze. He is looking towards One who has just arrived on the banks of the Jordan. This "Lamb of God" is a young Man, about the Baptist's own age. To put it in simpler words: "Look! It's the Lamb of God. He is the One for Whom I have been preparing you. He will be the One sacrificed to God for the sins of man. He shall conquer sin."

Two of the Baptist's disciples, Andrew and John, heard what was said; and immediately, they followed Jesus. And Jesus turning and seeing them following Him, said to them: "What do you seek?"

They answered: "Master, where do you dwell?"

He said to them: "Come and see."

They came, and saw where He lived, and they stayed with Him that day. This was the calling of two of the great apostles.

Today and at every Mass, you will hear an echo of St John the Baptist. *Ecce Agnus Dei!* Behold the Lamb of God. Today you will follow Jesus Himself in solemn procession. Listen closely and you will hear Him say in your heart: "What do you seek?" I think you know what your answer should be: "Only You, Lord. I seek only You." In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

## #21: Cleanse My Heart and My Lips (23-6-2023)

Dear Children,

Before Jesus began preaching His Gospel, He went off into the desert alone for forty days. There He prayed. There He fasted. Fasting means that He made Himself hungry on purpose in order to do penance. Fasting for forty days and forty nights, does that sound familiar? Lent! By this Lent, Jesus taught us how to prepare for the most beautiful and important things in our lives. We prepare by penance which purifies us of our soul's weaknesses by purposely making our bodies a bit weaker. Jesus showed us that there are many ways of doing penance: fasting, thirsting, accepting to feel hot during the day or cold at night (deserts are like that), sleeping on the hard ground or without a pillow, giving up games and friends for a little while in order to pray. All of these things, when chosen with a generous, loving and humble heart, weaken our body but strengthen our soul! They make us more like Jesus. The work we have to do in life is not our work, but God's work. So, it does not take big muscles to do great things. Fasting reminds us of this. It takes God's strength, working in a pure heart. God does great things through those who rely on Him Alone.

Watch Jesus, the priest, leave St John the Baptist at the Jordan River after the Epistle. He walks to the centre of the desert, I mean the centre of the altar, and with his hands folded he bows low in urgent prayer. Like Jesus, he eats nothing. He fasts, not for forty days, but for about forty seconds. He begs God to touch his lips with the scorching heat, not of a parched desert, but a burning coal. A burning coal like the one that the angel used to miraculously purify the lips of Isaias the prophet. Most burning coals would not make the priest clean; on the contrary they would cause terrible blisters. Not this is one. This one comes from God and makes us pure.

While Jesus was in the desert doing penance, the devil came to tempt Him. He will tempt you too when you do penance. He will tempt you to make an exception and eat what you gave up for Lent. He will tempt you to show off your penances to all those around you. "Look how holy I am." He will tempt you to give up trying to conquer yourself and encourage you to try to rule others instead by being grouchy and moody. Watch Jesus and you will learn how to conquer these temptations. He sent the devil away: "Be gone, Satan!"

These forty days were a special preparation for something of the greatest importance. Jesus is about to leave the desert and preach the Gospel. At the Mass He will speak through the priest, so the priest prays the *Munda Cor Meum*. "Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God. May the Lord be in my heart and on my lips, that I may worthily and fitly proclaim His Gospel. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."



# **ON SILENCE & MEDITATION**

## *For Knights & Handmaids*

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### **First Meditation**

*We Must Die One Day*

**But Father...**

**Do I have to try and meditate upon all the great mysteries? If there are a few that I specially love, may I continue to meditate only on those?**

**Most certainly. In fact, often God will teach you great, great depths of a mystery by drawing you into its contemplation many, many times. There were great saints who spent most of their lives contemplating one subject only—such as, for example, the Passion of Our Lord.**



Image: Our death.

Grace to ask for: That I may die a holy death.

(1) That I shall die one day is absolutely certain. Death came to the world because of sin. When will I die? It might be afar off yet, however, it can be very near too. Am I ready to meet my Judge now? Am I now in the state of grace? (2) What will it be for me if I die in the state of grievous sin? I shall be damned! Am I in this state? If so, how do I know that I will make it to confession before I die? Why was I such a fool to have allowed myself to commit such a sin? If not, have I nevertheless done sufficient penance for my sins? (3) If I should know that I would die in one hour, what would I do? Let me do now what I would have done had I known that I was going to die soon.

Resolution: Oh my Jesus, am I ready to face Thee as my judge. Oh help me to love Thee and be ever prepared to come before Thee for I know not the day nor the hour...



**Second Meditation***On My Judgement Day*

Image: Jesus as supreme judge together with all the angles and saints. I stand before them. I am to be judged.

Grace to ask for: To live a holy life so as to be able to stand that dreadful day.

(1) I seek now for secrecy when I am drawn to sin. The day of my judgement, everyone will know all my unconfessed sins. Shall I then be able to stand such shame? (2) Jesus, who now so lovingly draws me by His grace will ask an account of me. What shall I say to Him concerning those graces I spurned? (3) I contemplate myself standing before all the heavenly choir. I will look upon the face of the ever blessed Virgin. What shall I do if she frowns and drops her head in sorrow? Then I know that I will hear those terrible words, "Begone from me, ye accursed!" Oh my God, let this not be so!

Resolution: While I still have time, let me turn to the Blessed Virgin Mary and beg of her to be my advocate. Please, Mary, teach me now to live so as not to have to see thy frown and sorrow on the day of my judgement.

**Third Meditation***God Omniscient (all-knowing)*

Image: I will think of Jesus who knew everything.

Grace to ask for: Humility.

(1) There is nothing in this whole wide world that God does not know. In the very depth of the seas, what man has never seen, God knows it all. On the other side of the universe, which the best telescope cannot reach, God knows it all. (2) There are billions of people upon earth, yet God knows each and everyone of them. He knows what they are doing, he knows what they are thinking. (3) He knows me better than I know myself. He knows what I am thinking even when I try and hide it from all.

Oh my God, the thought of such knowledge causes me to love Thee and esteem Thee above measure. It also causes me to be more humble, for, I thought that I was so clever, but now come to realise how very little I know!

Resolution: Let me have a greater confidence in God who knows everything so well, and a greater humility because I know so very little.

## Story Hour

# How Saint Agatha Saved Sicily

By Joan Windham

Taken from "Crusade" Vol. X, #1, Feb./Mar. 1992



Once upon a time there was a girl called Agatha and she lived with her rather rich family in Sicily. (Sicily is a small island at the bottom of Italy. If you imagine that Italy is a leg and a foot kicking the ball, then Sicily is the ball.) Agatha and her family were Christians, and, as so often happened, they were all arrested by the Governor's minions and tortured. Her father and mother soon died, but Agatha was young and strong and she stayed alive. The Governor was a horribly cruel man. He went on torturing Agatha for a Whole Month to make her stop being a Christian. She was so terribly hurt that even the Pagans were shocked.

"If you go on like that," they said to the Governor, "even our own gods will turn on us." And they followed him about the streets in a Mob, telling him to kill Agatha properly and have done with it. But the Governor did not like being told what to do by the common people of the town, and so he put Agatha back in prison while he thought what to do about her. And while he was thinking, the people shouted at him through his windows:

"Kill her or let her go!" they shouted. "Kill her or let her go!"

Agatha was nearly dead by this time. She was in dreadful pain, but nothing would stop her being a Christian. But now, after a month, she began to pray to God to let her die.

"It has gone on Too Long, dear Lord," she said. "I don't think I can bear it any more at all. Do please let me die now, before the Governor comes back." And God took her to Heaven straight away.

"Thank You!" said Agatha. "I did just begin to think that perhaps You might have forgotten me, or that I wasn't Good enough, or something."

"Of course I didn't forget you," said God. "I never forget anyone. But I didn't take you away before because of the Pagans."

"I don't know what you mean," said Agatha.

"When the governor tortured you for so long," God told her, "even the Pagans themselves were sorry for you, and they tried to make him

stop. Hundreds of them are being Baptized because of your brave and faithful death.”

“I didn't know,” said Agatha.

“No,” said God, “you didn't, and that makes you all the Braver. I am very proud of you, Agatha.”

And Agatha went to find her father and mother and all her friends and was glad that God had made her stay alive so long.

Now when the Prison Warden found Agatha dead in her prison he went at once to tell the Governor. The Governor was rather frightened of the crowd outside, who were still shouting, so he let the Christians take Agatha's body to bury.

None of them were rich, and though they did their very best to afford a tombstone, they couldn't. But at her funeral they all went to pray for her. Just after they had filled in her grave a wonderful Procession of richly dressed young men rode up. They had beautiful shining horses with gold on their bridles and their clothes were all the colours of the Rainbow. Then an even Richer-and- Nobler-looking man, who led the Procession of richly dressed young men, rode right up to the grave. He dismounted from his horse and put a Marble Stone on Agatha's grave. Then, while everyone was still Absolutely Silent with surprise, he got on his horse again and the whole Procession rode away. When they had disappeared into the distance the crowd at the funeral began to move and speak again, and they all craned forward to see what was written on the Marble Notice. It said:

*Agatha, by her prayers and suffering, has brought Peace and Deliverance to Sicily.*

Nobody knew what it meant, and they put Agatha's scarf over it to keep off the rain. They all said that the Grandest Young Man must have been Agatha's Guardian Angel with a Procession of other Angels, because not one of them was ever seen again. The Governor was furious about the whole thing, but there was nothing he could do, because every single person, whether they were Christian, Jew, Or Pagan, was against him.

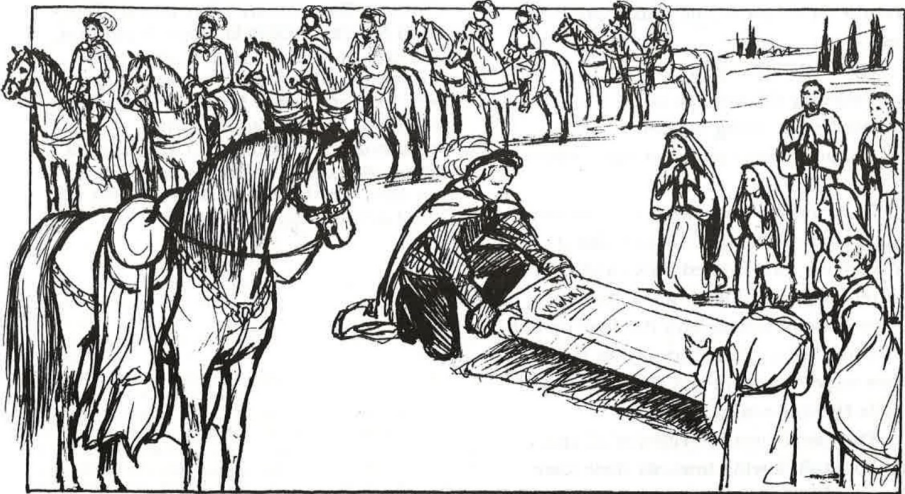
The next day he rode to Agatha's house up on a steep hillside to steal anything Rich and Rare that he might find there, now that the owners were all dead. When he was nearly there his horse slipped on the loose stones and stumbled and the Governor fell off and broke his neck.

Now, exactly a year after Agatha died (on February 5th it was), an Extraordinary Thing happened, and it has happened over and over again since then.

Sicily has an enormous volcano on it called Mount Etna, and on this day it Boiled Over, and melted rocks and lava poured down its sides towards the town at the bottom. Smoke and fire flew up out of its top like a giant chimney on fire, and there were Thunders and Earthquakes inside the mountain.

The people were terrified of all this red hot stuff flowing towards their town. Then suddenly somebody remembered Agatha, because of it being exactly a year since she had died. Some of them rushed to the grave and picked up her scarf, which was still there. They put it on top of a lance, like a flag, and then they all marched as near as they dared to the rolling fire. And it stopped and began to cool down! So what was written on the Marble Stone was true. Agatha had (with the help of God, of course) delivered the people of Sicily. And do you know, many times since, the same thing has happened when Mount Etna has Boiled Over.

Besides being the Patron Saint of Sicily, St. Agatha is one of the Patron Saints of Nurses, and her Special Day is, of course, February 5th. Not very many people are called after her now, but I know an Aunt Agatha and so I made this story for her.



*Taken from **Sixty Saints for Girls** by Joan Windham. This book is full of charming stories of the saints and is widely available, along with its companion volume **Sixty Saints for Boys**.*

# Who is Saint Joseph?

*By A Sister of the Society St. Pius X  
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Who is St. Joseph? We do not know much about his life, but we can learn much from the little knowledge we have of this great Saint.

St. Joseph, Foster Father of Jesus, was from Bethlehem, the city and house of David. Why or when he left this city to become a humble carpenter in Nazareth, we do not know, but he was certainly guided by Divine Providence so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled, for he was destined to become the spouse of the Mother of God and Jesus was to be called a Nazarene.

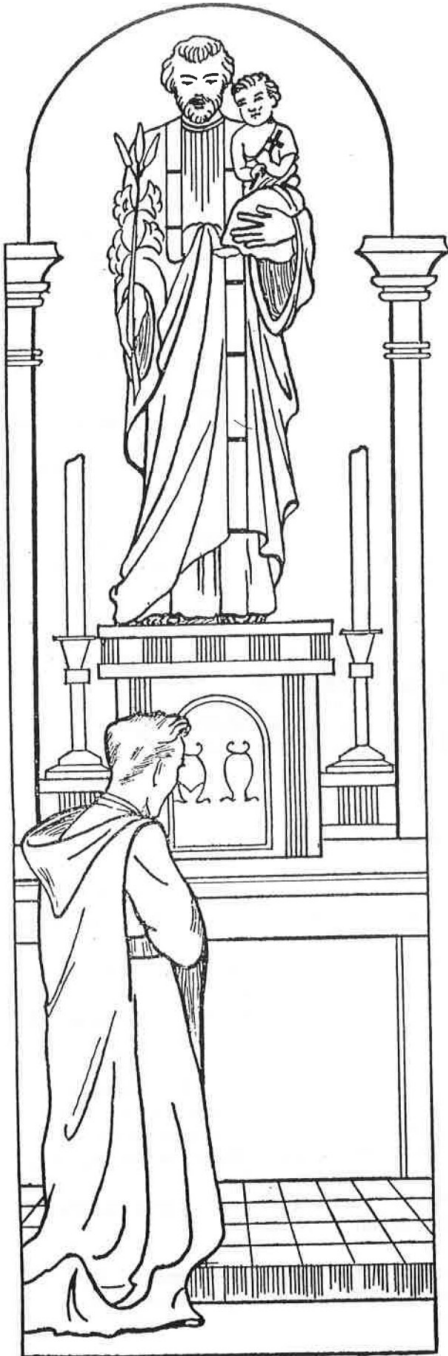
According to the prophecies, the Messiah was to be a descendant of David and was to come “when the sceptre shall be taken away from Jude,” which means that the Savior would come when the Chosen People no longer ruled themselves. And so we see that at the time of St. Joseph, the Roman Empire had taken over Jerusalem and Herod was placed on the throne.

Among the virgins living in the Temple at Jerusalem, was a young virgin named Mary, daughter of Anne and Joachim from Nazareth. Anne was from the house of Aaron and Joachim was a descendant of the house of David.

According to a legend, St. Joseph was chosen to be the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary using much the same procedure as Moses when he wanted to see if Aaron was truly the high priest chosen by God. Each one of the many suitors left a staff in the temple and the next morning he whose staff was flowered was chosen. It was Joseph, a carpenter from Nazareth in Galilee, who was thus elected to be the spouse of she who was to become the Mother of God.

The espousal took place, but Mary, in order to obtain from God the favour of advancing the coming of the Messiah, had made the sacrifice of the vow of virginity. The prophet Isaiah foretold that the Savior was to be born of a virgin, and God rewarded Mary by choosing her to be this “Virgin Mother.”

We know the story of the Annunciation when the Archangel Gabriel announced to Mary that she was to be the Mother of God and how Mary in her trusting humility, left to God to reveal this mystery to St. Joseph as He saw fit. We know St. Joseph's temptation “to put her away privately”



and how his doubts all vanished when an angel appeared to him in a dream and told him “thou shalt call His name Jesus” which means “Savior.” We know that the Roman Emperor, Caesar Augustus, ordered a census to be taken throughout his realm, and in Palestine everyone was ordered to go to the ancestral city of their family. As St. Joseph was from the house of David, Mary and Joseph made the long journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, where Christ was born. Then Herod plotted to kill the new born King and St. Joseph, warned during the night by an angel of this wicked scheme, arose and took Mary and the Child and fled into Egypt. When Herod died, again an angel appeared to St. Joseph and told him to return to his country where they settled, not in Bethlehem, but in Nazareth, where Christ grew up leading a hidden life.

In effect, the only thing we know of these thirty years at Nazareth, is that when Jesus was twelve years old, the Holy Family went to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. After the feast, Mary and Joseph undertook the long journey back to Nazareth, but Jesus remained in the temple where He amazed the doctors by His understanding and questions. It was in the temple that Mary and Joseph found Jesus, after several days of searching, going “about His Father's business.” Then Jesus went back to Nazareth “and was subject to them.”

We can be sure that the holy house of Nazareth was one of Christian

simplicity, neatness and poverty. Mary, the perfect homemaker, kept all things in order and Joseph, a carpenter, taught Jesus this humble trade. They wielded a hammer and swung an axe, used the saw and square and blessed them with the touch of Christ's sacred hands. They drove pegs and lifted beams. They worked with their hands and did not recoil from the dust of honest labour or the callouses of hard work. This is how St. Joseph, the spouse of the Mother of God and foster father of Our Redeemer lived at Nazareth as a humble carpenter.

The time of his death is unknown, but a tradition tells us that Jesus and Mary were with him. That is why St. Joseph is the “Patron of the dying,” for what happier death would one have than to die in the arms of Jesus and Mary!

Holy Scripture calls St. Joseph a “just man.” These two words say everything. He was obedient, humble and chaste. He had faith in God and confidence in God's promises.

St. Joseph was obedient. He obeyed the decree of the Roman Emperor and left for Bethlehem in spite of the long and tiring journey on foot. He obeyed the angel who sent him to Egypt, even though his work would suffer from it. Like him, we may say: “This order bothers me, disturbs my plans, is tiring, but God wants it and I will do His Will.”

St. Joseph was humble: He worked to please Jesus and Mary; certainly a smile of gratitude thanked him and he was happy, thanking God for the success He had given him. That's humility—to be humble does not mean that we never do anything right, but it is to attribute our successes and the compliments we may receive to God, for without God, we can do nothing. If ever we are praised or rewarded we can be happy, but like St. Joseph, let us thank our dear God and attribute all to Him. This is a source of great peace when we are blamed or corrected. It hurts, but we can tell ourselves: “I will do better the next time.”

And St. Joseph was chaste: Being the spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, Mother of God, he was most vigilant to keep his purity of body and soul. He loved to pray, worked very hard, was submitted to the Will of God and lived with Jesus and Mary. We can imitate St. Joseph in his purity by praying well, working hard, obeying our superiors and asking this great Saint to lead us to Jesus and Mary.

It is impossible that Our Lord refuse His help to those who humbly and sincerely ask a grace or favour through St. Joseph to whom He was subject on earth and whom He gave us as “Protector of Holy Mother Church.”



# Aesop's Fables



## The Sheep & the Pig

One day a shepherd discovered a fat Pig in the meadow where his Sheep were pastured. He very quickly captured the porker, which squealed at the top of its voice the moment the Shepherd laid his hands on it. You would have thought, to hear the loud squealing, that the Pig was being cruelly hurt. But in spite of its squeals and struggles to escape, the Shepherd tucked his prize under his arm and started off to the butcher's in the market place.

The Sheep in the pasture were much astonished and amused at the Pig's

behaviour, and followed the Shepherd and his charge to the pasture gate.

“What makes you squeal like that?” asked one of the Sheep. “The Shepherd often catches and carries off one of us. But we should feel very much ashamed to make such a terrible fuss about it like you do.”

“That is all very well,” replied the Pig, with a squeal and a frantic kick. “When he catches you he is only after your wool. But he wants my bacon!”

*It is easy to be brave when there is no danger.*

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### 65 Saints Puzzle from last issue:

A crossword puzzle grid with 15 columns and 20 rows. The grid contains the following words:

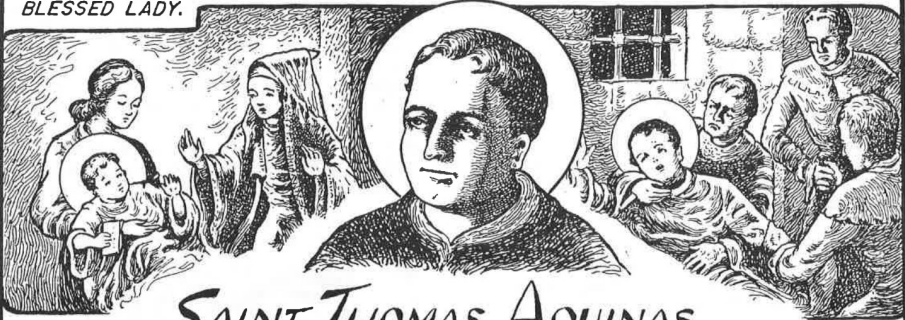
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## SAINT SPOTLIGHT: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS** WHEN AN INFANT IN THE ARMS OF HIS NURSE, ONE DAY WAS HOLDING A CARD ON WHICH WAS WRITTEN THE ANGELIC SALUTATION. HE CLASPED IT LOVINGLY TO HIS BREAST AND WHEN HIS MOTHER TOOK IT FROM HIM BY FORCE, THOMAS WOULD NOT KEEP QUIET UNTIL IT WAS RESTORED TO HIM. THEN HE PLACED IT IN HIS MOUTH AND SWALLOWED IT. SUCH WERE THE TOKENS OF HIS FUTURE DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED LADY.

WHILE STILL A YOUTH, HE WAS RECEIVED INTO THE ORDER OF FRIARS PREACHERS. BUT HIS WORLDLY BROTHERS, DISSATISFIED WITH HIS DECISION, IMMEDIATELY BEGAN TO PERSECUTE HIM, TRYING BY EVERY MEANS IN THEIR POWER TO WITHDRAW HIM FROM HIS HOLY PURPOSE. THEY CONFINED HIM IN A TOWER AND STROVE TO MAKE HIM FALL INTO GRIEVOUS SIN. BUT OUR LADY ASSISTED HIM AGAINST THEIR CRUEL ASSAULTS.



### SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

*THOU HAST WRITTEN WELL OF ME, THOMAS. WHAT REWARD WILT THOU HAVE? NONE BUT THYSELF, LORD.*



HE THEN CAST HIMSELF ON HIS KNEES AND WITH TEARS IN HIS EYES GAVE THANKS TO GOD, WHO HAD HELPED HIM TO TRIUMPH OVER HIS ENEMIES. WHILE HE WAS PRAYING, HE WAS RAPT IN ECSTASY AND SAW AN ANGEL DESCENDING FROM HEAVEN AND PLACING A GIRDLE ABOUT HIS LOINS.



ST. THOMAS ACQUIRED A KNOWLEDGE OF THEOLOGY IN AN EMINENT DEGREE WHICH MERITED FOR HIM THE TITLE OF "DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH." FOR ALL THIS HE WAS GREATLY INDEBTED TO HIS DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED LADY.

# Crusader Games

## A VISIT TO THE CHURCH

Peter has taken his non-Catholic friend Steve to visit a chapel, and is pointing out to him the various things there. They are listed below, but each word has been scrambled. Try to race your friends and family to unscramble them all first!

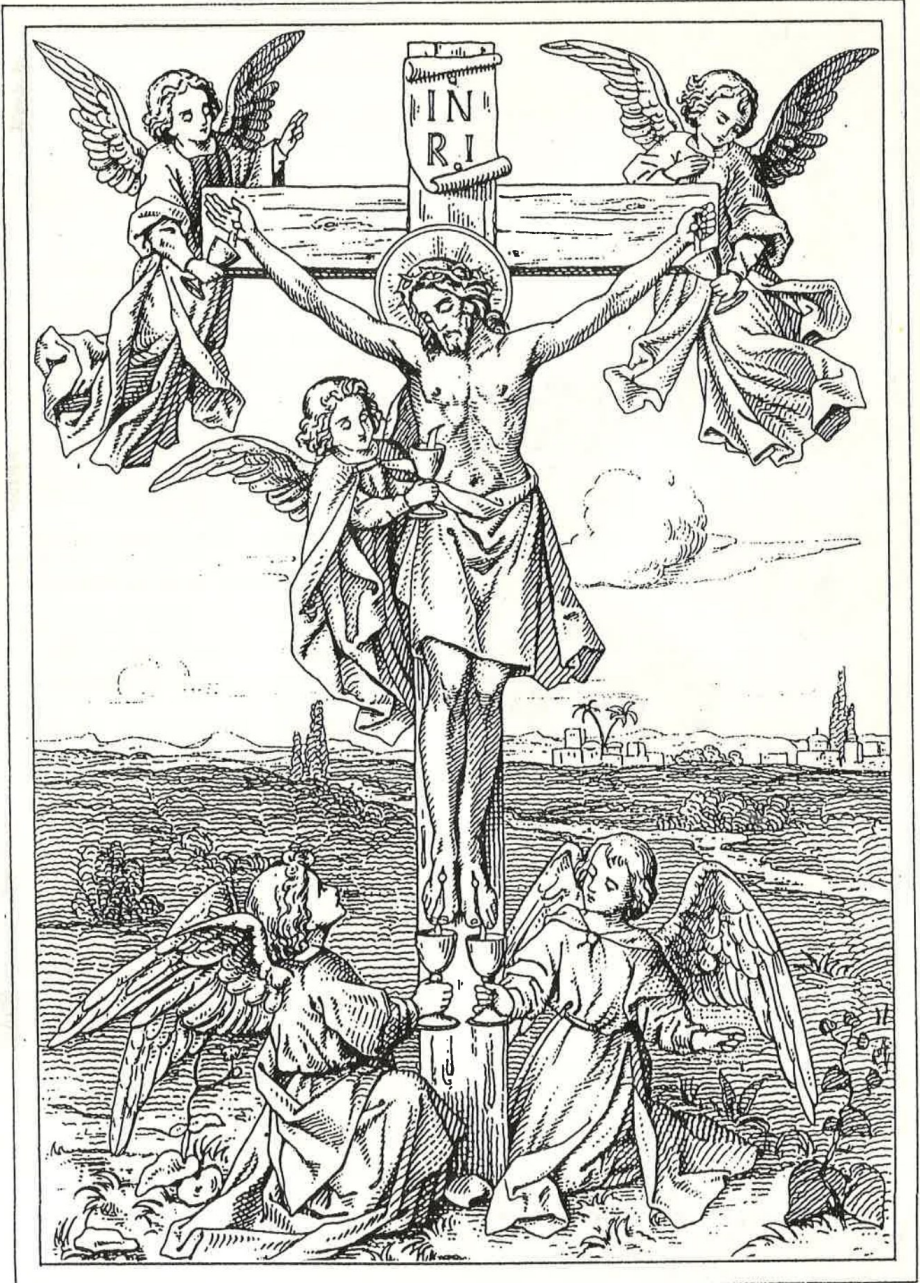
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| 4. NASSTOTI       | 9. LYOH TRAEW      |
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### PATRON SAINTS QUIZ

Can you match these saints with the dangers against which they are patrons?

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. St. Barbara         | A. Eye diseases       |
| 2. St. Hilary          | B. Lightning          |
| 3. St. Peregrine       | C. Plague             |
| 4. St. Dymphna         | D. Earthquakes        |
| 5. St. Blaise          | E. Sudden death       |
| 6. St. Lucy            | F. Snakebite          |
| 7. St. Roch            | G. Poisoning          |
| 8. St. Andrew Corsini  | H. Nervous conditions |
| 9. St. Benedict        | I. Cancer             |
| 10. St. Francis Borgia | J. Throat diseases    |

# Colouring Page





The Crusader prays, receives Communion, makes sacrifices and shows good example for the intention that is given him each month by Reverend Father Davide Pagliarani, successor of Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre as Superior General of the Society of Saint Pius X



PRAVER

## March 2024 Intention: For those who die suddenly

### Daily offering

**O**

*To be recited every morning when you wake up*  
 Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
 I offer Thee all my prayers, works, joys  
 and sufferings of this day,  
 for all the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart,  
 in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass  
 throughout the world, and in reparation for my sins.  
 I offer them particularly  
**for those who die suddenly**



COMMUNION



SACRIFICE



APOSTOLATE

## NOVEMBER 2023 RESULTS

The Intention was for the deceased of our families

|                | Trea-<br>sure<br>Sheets<br>re-<br>turned | Morning<br>Offering | Masses     | Communions       |             | Sacrifices  | Decades<br>of the<br>Rosary | Visits to<br>Blessed<br>Sacrament | 15 mins<br>of<br>meditation | Good<br>Example | %<br>returned |
|----------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                |                                          |                     |            | Sacra-<br>mental | Spiritual   |             |                             |                                   |                             |                 |               |
| Brisbane       | 7                                        | 191                 | 64         | 58               | 186         | 242         | 991                         | 42                                | 30                          | 209             | 10%           |
| Jolimont       | 2                                        | 60                  | 8          | 1                | 4           | 0           | 65                          | 1                                 | 1                           | 10              | 13%           |
| Semi-<br>nary  | 4                                        | 120                 | 20         | 20               | 131         | 444         | 599                         | 8                                 | 111                         | 282             | 36%           |
| Rock-<br>dale  | 14                                       | 380                 | 90         | 88               | 773         | 593         | 1483                        | 137                               | 62                          | 178             | 33%           |
| Tynong         | 13                                       | 330                 | 81         | 75               | 91          | 270         | 1779                        | 53                                | 46                          | 192             | 22%           |
| Whanga-<br>nui | 17                                       | 517                 | 254        | 249              | 153         | 919         | 2785                        | 404                               | 306                         | 777             | 29%           |
| Albury         | 11                                       | 242                 | 62         | 61               | 147         | 306         | 1514                        | 54                                | 70                          | 263             | 79%           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>68</b>                                | <b>1840</b>         | <b>579</b> | <b>552</b>       | <b>1485</b> | <b>2774</b> | <b>9216</b>                 | <b>699</b>                        | <b>626</b>                  | <b>1911</b>     | <b>25%</b>    |

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