

FIRST DAY
INTRODUCTION

March 30, 2021

St. Peter Julian Eymard Writes:

Why do we need to consecrate to St. Joseph?

“In a desire to grow in imitation of his virtues, the Consecration is to make a filial act of entrustment for him who guided and cared for Jesus and Mary. Devotion to St. Joseph is one of the choicest graces that God can give to a soul, for it is tantamount to revealing the entire treasury of our Lord’s graces. When God wishes to raise a soul to greater heights, he unites it to St. Joseph by giving it a strong love for the good saint.”

St. Peter Julian Eymard writes, “BEHOLD the beautiful month of Saint Joseph! We must spend it well. My only wish is that you develop a great devotion to Saint Joseph. We who are called to worship our Savior dwelling with us must honor in a special way those saints who, either by family ties or by their mission, were close to Him. We shall try to show you Saint Joseph as the faithful adorer, the perfect model of the life of adoration.”

Further question to consider:

Am I determined to persevere in this consecration? What fears do I have about persevering? Am I placing too much confidence in myself to the neglect of trusting in God’s Providence? What resolutions should I make here and now to dispose myself to persevere? If St. Joseph is the perfect model for the life of Eucharistic Adoration, is it time for me to commit to a weekly holy hour?

Action Item for Today:

- Make a consecration plan. (get a notebook, pick times for prayer, set a holy hour)

Daily Prayer:

Be mindful of us, O blessed Joseph, and intercede for us with thy foster-Son by the pleading of thy prayer: do thou in like manner render the Blessed Virgin Mary, thy Spouse, gracious unto us, for she is the Mother of Him, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns world without end. Amen. (*Memorare of St. Bernardine of Siena*)

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be