

impression of a ghost-apparition, but looks like a living person. You hear his step, you can shake hands with him.

The Poison of Unloving Gossip

You must learn to always talk about the other person as if he would stand beside you listening. My dearly beloved, bad-mouthing other people, passing on negative things, that is poison! If someone tells me something negative, I should first of all inform myself whether or not it is true.

Your prayers will always be answered, but not according to your human discretion. You may indeed have a huge and holy request and you are praying and fasting on bread and water. But when st Joseph sees your poisonous tongue, that you are bad-mouthing others, he will tell you: „You had better stop fasting and quit speaking unlovingly.“ Amen!

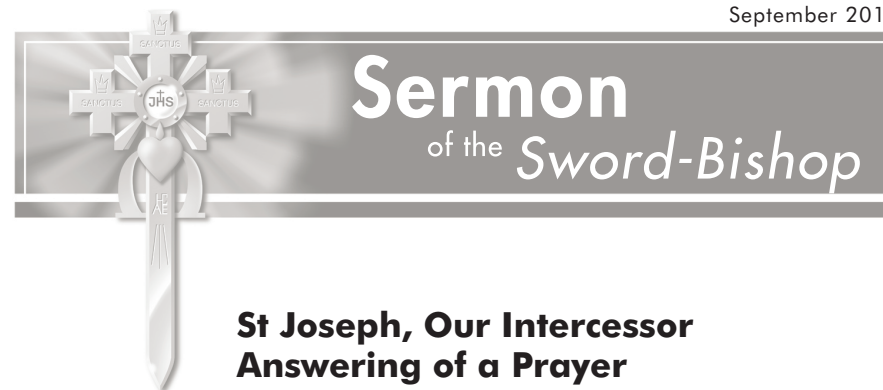
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**Be blessed by GOD TRINITY,
the + FATHER and the + SON
and the + HOLY GHOST. Amen!**

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St Joseph, Our Intercessor Answering of a Prayer

My dearly beloved, it is always difficult for me to preach about st Joseph. Because, first of all, people cannot grasp his true greatness and, secondly, his genuine greatness has not yet been revealed. GOD gave us the Commandment: „Honour your father and your mother, so that it may go well with you and that you may live long on earth!“ If GOD gives us this Commandment, how much more will He observe this Commandment Himself – how much more will GOD the SON show all honour and love to His nursing Father Joseph and His Mother Mary. Or do you think that the SAVIOUR will no longer honour His parents in Heaven? That Mary and Joseph will not have been granted a very special honour, which raises them above all the other Saints?

It is so indeed that now in Heaven the SAVIOUR honours Joseph even more than He was able to on earth. In Heaven he can now also glorify His earthly parents. It was one of His greatest wishes to be able someday to do so. Because He loved His Mother and His nursing Father above all, as only the SAVIOUR can, who is GOD and Man at the same time.

Counsellor at GOD's Throne

I once had a mental picture of st Joseph. I saw the Most Holy TRINITY seated on three thrones: in the centre was the FATHER, at His right hand the SON, to His left was the HOLY SPIRIT. Right behind the SAVIOUR stood Joseph. Souls were now constantly

coming before the Most Holy TRINITY and the TRINITY decided on these souls. Then came a man, or rather his soul before GOD, and I saw – very humanly speaking – how a slight frown appeared on GOD’s forehead when looking at this man. This man, however, had venerated st Joseph on earth. And now I saw – just as one sees in films, when the counsellors are standing behind the king giving him advice – how Joseph bowed down to the ear of the SAVIOUR saying something to Him. It must have been something positive for this man because the SAVIOUR cast a smiling glance backwards at Joseph, nodded and turned around again and said something to the FATHER. Then the HOLY SPIRIT accomplished it. – The soul was saved.

It is impossible to explain the unfathomable, all-powerful Majesty of GOD, it is so overwhelming! And yet we call Him ‘FATHER’. Also the SAVIOUR said ‘Abba,’ which, translated, does not mean ‘father,’ but ‘papa,’ ‘daddie’ that is. Unbelievable! We are allowed to call GOD the FATHER so. We are allowed and obliged to have a childlike love of GOD. However, in the tremendous love towards GOD as a child will also arise this tremendous admiration of GOD. The smaller I see myself, the greater will He become. He is the Greatest! I admire and love Him above all! – And behind Him is st Joseph and will stand up for you, if you heartily love and venerate him.

Joseph’s Naturalness

Many statues and images show st Joseph in a very kitschy way, e.g. carrying the Infant JESUS on one hand, in a stooping posture, etc. A lot of people, therefore, have a very unnatural idea of st Joseph. But there are also other images such as our picture here beside the altar. It shows st Joseph behaving very naturally towards the Child JESUS, how he threw Him up in the air so that He shouted for joy just as any other child would do! He hugged and kissed the SAVIOUR – the Almighty GOD!

Once the SAVIOUR met a poor widow whose husband had been a carpenter and had left some half-finished woodwork. The people who

had already paid for these works pressed the widow hard. The SAVIOUR, seeing the widow’s distress, helped her and finished these works. A man, who venerated the SAVIOUR, watched Him working and was astounded: „It is fantastic how well You master this trade! Excellent work!“ JESUS replied: „Well, I had a wonderful teacher, my Father Joseph.“ So the SAVIOUR was not afraid of hard physical work.

The Great Helper

It is so, indeed: those who cherish veneration for st Joseph, who often think of him, do not have to fear death. There are so many certified events which testify to st Joseph’s appearance. For example, once at the dead of night a stranger knocked at the door of a priest and called him to visit a dying person. The priest went with this man to a deserted house in which the dying person was. Then, all of a sudden, the man had vanished into thin air. Only then did the priest realise that it had been st Joseph.

As you know, Mother Paula founded the Lay Community of St Joseph. Now, if you venerate st Joseph and you have received his help, then I would like to ask you to tell us. We want to gather all these great supports of st Joseph and make them known. We will not publish any names.

St Joseph – Assumed in Heaven Body and Soul

The holy Doctor of the Church saint Bernard of Clairvaux declared publicly that st Joseph was assumed into Heaven body and soul as was Mary. For he could not believe that the SAVIOUR would not also want to have st Joseph, whom He so much venerated on earth, with Him body and soul in Heaven, so that the Holy Family would be together again. There are many confirmations of it. When deceased people appear with their familiar shape and features, you will grab thin air trying to touch them. It is just an apparition. With st Joseph it is quite different. He appears physically real, he does give the
