



I had lost my bunch of keys with flat keys, etc. All efforts to find it were fruitless. I had already given up hope. After 4 days I had my bunch of keys back. It had been found in a busy street. St Joseph is truly the Saint in every need. (E. B.)

I am 79 years old. Surprisingly, I received a nice place in an old people's home in no time. A thousand thanks to St Joseph! (A.M.)

This Month's Heartfelt Matters

- The longing of the Poor Souls for prayer, forgiveness, good works and acts of love from us is great. Let us also do it by proxy for those who do not know. When the Poor Souls are allowed out of their confinement, they become unimaginably grateful intercessors for those who have helped them doing so.



„Let no one ask GOD for affliction thinking that they can bear it. He who endures what GOD daily sends him, already does something not insignificant.“ (Philip Neri)

I wish everyone a good time, and remain with kind regards and the blessing of St Joseph,

Paula Schneider



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Lay Community of St Joseph

Time Hastens On

Time hastens on, and as it wings its flight,
eternity draws nearer day by day.
Say, does this thought inspire you with delight,
or fill your soul with sorrow and dismay?
Do vain regrets your happiness destroy,
and from your bosom wring repeated sighs?
Or can your poor heart look with peaceful joy
on the bright prospect which before you lies?

Do all your joys and pleasures spring alone
from the brief space in which we move and live?
Have you never known the power and sweetness
a better and eternal world can give?
Are all your wishes centred on this earth?
Is Heaven to you a strange and unknown shore?
Unhappy man! What will this world be worth,
when life departs, and death is at the door?

Imagine yourself arrived at that dread goal,
you, having strayed so far somehow!
Ponder and then ask yourself: „My soul,
what can a life like this avail me now?“

Your time has fled, your pulse has ceased to beat,
the pleasant light has faded from your eyes,
an open grave is yawning at your feet,
above your head no open paradise.

O be saved, to CHRIST for refuge fly,
shun the broad path of sin without delay,
seek life eternal, before too late you die –

O seek it now in this accepted day!

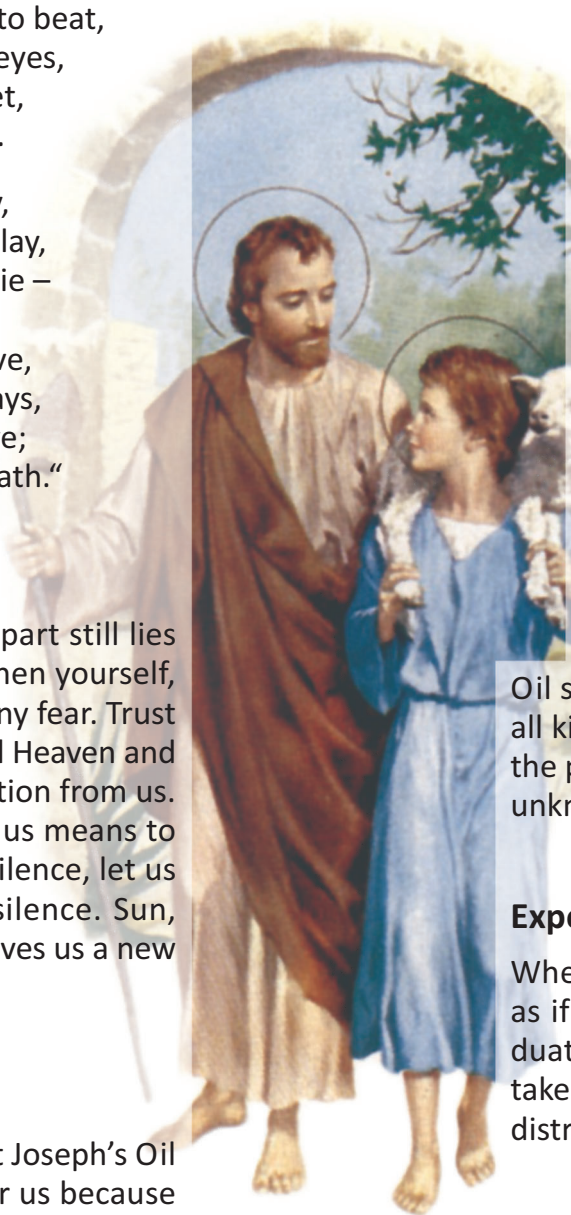
One only is there who this life can give,
He is the Life Himself: „Behold,“ He says,
„he who believes in Me shall ever live;
he who believes in Me shall not see death.“

(Carl Johann Philipp Spitta)

A stretch of the way lies behind you, another part still lies ahead of you. If you linger, it is only to strengthen yourself, but not to give up. Just keep trusting without any fear. Trust in divine Providence and be assured: sooner will Heaven and earth pass away than the LORD take His protection from us. We are all weak. But GOD the LORD has given us means to help us if only we want to. Let us retreat into silence, let us ponder. Trees, flowers, herbs, they grow in silence. Sun, moon and stars, they move in silence. Silence gives us a new view of things and in silence we find GOD.

Announcement

The address in Montreal (Canada), where the St Joseph's Oil was obtained until now, has become invalid for us because



no more oil is sent from there. Moreover, it is done by the Official Church, which no longer sacralises, but merely blesses. Therefore, I asked the Sword-Bishop to sacralise St Joseph's Oil himself.

Prayer of Sacralisation of the Sword-Bishop for the St Joseph's Oil

Let all that is ✚ impure depart from this oil that it may be worthy to be sacralised and to receive the special blessing of St Joseph.

Therefore, sacralised be this oil in the Name of the ✚ FATHER, the ✚ SON, the ✚ HOLY SPIRIT. Amen!

Saint Joseph, Nursing and Foster Father of JESUS CHRIST, we pray You: Pour out Your special ✚ blessing on this Oil so that it may be able to miraculously heal diseases and all kinds of bodily and spiritual ailments, and thereby cause the people on earth to recognise, praise and glorify Your still unknown greatness in Heaven. Amen!

Experiences with Joseph

When my husband died, we were all in great shock. It was as if the world stood still. My daughter, aged 22, was graduating from university and my son, aged 20, was about to take his school-leaving exam. But St Joseph helped us in our distress. (M. L.)