

**March 19 is the “Feast of Saint Joseph, Husband of Mary.
Because it falls on a Sunday it is transferred to Monday March 20.**

Here are some helpful guides to enjoy this day:

1) From EWTN: Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

After the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph is the greatest of the saints. He is the one “into whose custody God entrusted His most precious treasures,” Jesus and Mary. The Church honors St. Joseph for his faithfulness to God and his vocation as Custodian of the Redeemer.

We have [a special page dedicated to the feast of Saint Joseph](#). We answer questions such as:

- Why do we celebrate a Solemnity of St. Joseph?
- Why is St. Joseph the patron saint of a happy death?
- Why is St. Joseph the sleeping saint?

2) A PERSONAL THOUGHT FROM YOUR PRIEST, Father Vic Gournas:

Saint Joseph is the perfect model for us concerning how to be perfect as our Father in Heaven is perfect. Joseph models fatherhood for us because he totally trusts his Father. Thus, like Jesus, Joseph’s perfect trust in the Father allows him to be perfectly obedient. When we trust God, obedience naturally follows. And when we are obedient to our Heavenly Father following the examples of Jesus and Joseph, we will experience a greater good, even amidst our trials. Thus, as parents, via our Lord’s guidance, in trust and obedience we will be there to protect, guide, honor, love, teach, and provide for our children and families.

Also: Remember Joseph had his own Annunciation (visit from an Angel) which through Trust and Holy Obedience, he leads Mary and Jesus to Egypt, thus protecting their lives.

3) Two more articles reflecting on Saint Joseph.

A) “St. Joseph: Food for Thought”

From The Catholic Thing: link

https://www.thecatholicthing.org/2023/03/20/st-joseph-food-for-thought/?utm_source=The+Catholic+Thing+Daily&utm_campaign=52a576ba58-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_12_07_01_02_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_769a14e16a-52a576ba58-244259033&mc_cid=52a576ba58&mc_eid=1d9b140ef5

B) Why St. Joseph is called the “Terror of Demons”

From Aleteia: link

https://aleteia.org/2021/01/26/why-st-joseph-is-called-the-terror-of-demons/?utm_campaign=EM-EN-Newsletter-Daily-&utm_content=Newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=sendgrid&utm_term=20230318

And for my Fathers: From the example of St. Joseph

Saint John Paul II: 5 guidelines for Fathers.

- 1.LOVE YOUR WIFE AND CHILDREN.**
- 2.TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE EDUCATION OF YOUR CHILDREN.**
- 3.DON'T BE AN ABSENT FATHER.**
- 4.BE A SOURCE OF UNITY, NOT DIVISION.**
- 5.BE A STRONG CHRISTIAN WITNESS.**

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