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“God entrusts the most precious things he has to Saint Joseph”

For the feast of St. Joseph (19 March), here is a collection of Pope Francis' audiences on St. Joseph (2021-2022), downloadable as a free eBook.

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“In the history of the Church there are some constants that accompany the community of believers: first of all, the great affection and the very strong bond that the Church has always felt towards Mary, Mother of God and our Mother. But also the special honour and affection she has bestowed on Saint Joseph. After all, God entrusts to him the most precious things he has: his Son Jesus and the Virgin Mary. It is always thanks to the communion of saints that we feel that the men and women saints who are our patrons — because of the name we bear, for example, because of the Church to which we belong, because of the place where we live, and so on, as well as through personal devotion — are close to us. And this is the trust that must always animate us in turning to them at decisive moments

in our lives” (Pope Francis, Audience, 2-II-2022).

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