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## Saint Josemaría, pray for us!

We commemorate the birth of St Josemaria on 9th January, 1902 with the following favours that have been received through his intercession.

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# Saint Josemaría answered my prayer for work

I have been out of work for a year. I sent over 500 applications for work out and have a professional degree... but still no work. Yesterday I went to an interview with a heavy heart (as I have been to so many others) and I was offered the job on the spot! They didn't even interview anyone else! It was because I had just completed a prayer novena to St. Josemaría and I am grateful for his intercession!

#### S. G., USA A baby on the way

I gave my friend a prayer-card of St Josemaría, and told her to pray it with great faith for the baby she wished to have. Five months went by and the prayer-card was still in her bag. In September she took the prayer-card out and placed it in the living-room. When she did the pregnancy test, as she did every month, it was negative. She did it again two days later and said to St Josemaría, "If you like children so much, why don't you send me one?" She checked the result and it was positive. She is convinced that she owes her pregnancy to this Saint,

who encouraged people not to be afraid to have children. She had been hoping for a baby for two years.

R. M., Spain

Together again

A married couple who were friends of ours had separated and were arranging for a divorce. We prayed to St Josemaría that they would not go ahead with the divorce. He heard our prayer: they have got back together again.

Luis M., Italy

I didn't cheat but passed with a distinction

I obtained my favor through the intercession of Saint Josemaria Escriva. I have been meaning to notify the prelature. In 2005 September I picked the brochure of the prayer of Saint Josemaría just before sitting for my Advanced Certificate In Business Studies, and went on to seek His intercession. Through this prayers, even when other candidates were cheating, all what I did was place a rosary on my desk during the exams, believe you me, I was the best in our class with straight Distinction. I do believe that in future I will still seek His intercession and more so will introduce Him to my family. Saint Josemaría, pray for me.

### D.M., Kenya

He cares for me and guides every step

One day I was coming home from a visit to my daughter. I was lonely, confused, fearful, remorseful, and broke. I saw on the ground a prayercard of St Josemaría. I picked it up and read it on the way home, and asked him for thousands of things, commending myself, my life and my actions to his protection. From that day on I have always had enough to eat. Something always comes up, and I am grateful to him for all that is good. St Josemaría cares for me and guides every step I take. I used to suffer from deep depression; now I don't even need the tablets. My mother was very sick and I prayed for her; three days went by and she was absolutely fine! For me these are miracles, and I take him with me everywhere I go, he's become my best friend.

### Carolina, Chile I quit smoking

I'm 54 and often tried to quit smoking. Two years ago I asked St Josemaría to intercede for me in this fight, and now I have won the battle. Thank you, St Josemaría!

Bruno Combe Laboissière, France

I found my ring

My name is Concetta and I'm a teacher. My parents are very simple people and everything they do is the fruit of sacrifice and saving. Ten years ago, when I graduated, they gave me a ring, but some time later I lost it. An Opus Dei priest suggested I should pray through St Josemaría's intercession to find it, and I did! It is true that it took several months, but he heard my prayer. Although it is a material thing, not a spiritual grace, that is the favor I received.

Concetta, Italy

Accepting God's will is also a favor from St Josemaría

I wish to bear witness of my gratitude to God through St Josemaría, founder of Opus Dei. I met the Work in 1984 when I worked at the Ecos School in Malaga, Spain. I was only there a short while, but long enough to learn about the spirit of holiness of St Josemaría's

teachings. I am not a member of Opus Dei, but I adopted for myself his ideas about the path to holiness. Three years ago my daughter fell sick, and I appealed to God through St Josemaría's intercession to teach me the way of hope, and for my daughter's cure. My prayers bore fruit because our family received the strength and light of faith to keep going. Today my daughter is free of cancer and I want to thank God publicly and also St Josemaría for having interceded for us. The medical cure was a favor, but a still more important one was the strength of hope to carry on living and accepting God's will.

J.M.C., Spain

Prayer for the intercession of St Josemaria, Founder of Opus Dei:

O God, through the mediation of Mary our Mother,

you granted your priest St. Josemaría countless graces,

choosing him as a most faithful instrument to found Opus Dei,

a way of sanctification in daily work

and in the fulfilment of the Christian's ordinary duties.

Grant that I too may learn to turn all the circumstances and events of my life

into occasions of loving You

and serving the Church, the Pope and all souls

with joy and simplicity,

lighting up the pathways of this earth with faith and love.

Deign to grant me, through the intercession of St. Josemaría,

the favor of ... (make your request). Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory be to the Father

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