



**GOSPEL:** Mat 1:16,18-21,24a

Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ. Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

## **A PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH**

St Joseph our Patron Saint and Pilgrim Guide,

Walk with us as a community of faith here at West Brunswick.

You are the Saint of Dreams, the one who welcomed the gift of your Son, with Mary Our Mother.

Saint ever faithful, saint of integrity, show us the way to walk in your way

With hearts full of trust, openness and hospitality.

In our moments of fear, anxiety and worry lead us to stillness

As we ponder the gift you received in the Eternal Word, Christ Jesus.

At this uncertain and anxious time for us, and all our brothers and sisters of the world,

We ask you to intercede for us, together with Mary Our Mother, that we will walk in the way of peace,

Build communion with one another and remain united through the gift of prayer.

Hold close to your Son, all those who are sick, alone and afraid. Strengthen our doctors, health and aged care workers,  
as they strive to bring comfort and healing to all those in their care.

Guide those entrusted with the wellbeing and common good of our nation with wisdom,

Justice and mindfulness of the most marginalized among us.

St Joseph, pray for us!

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