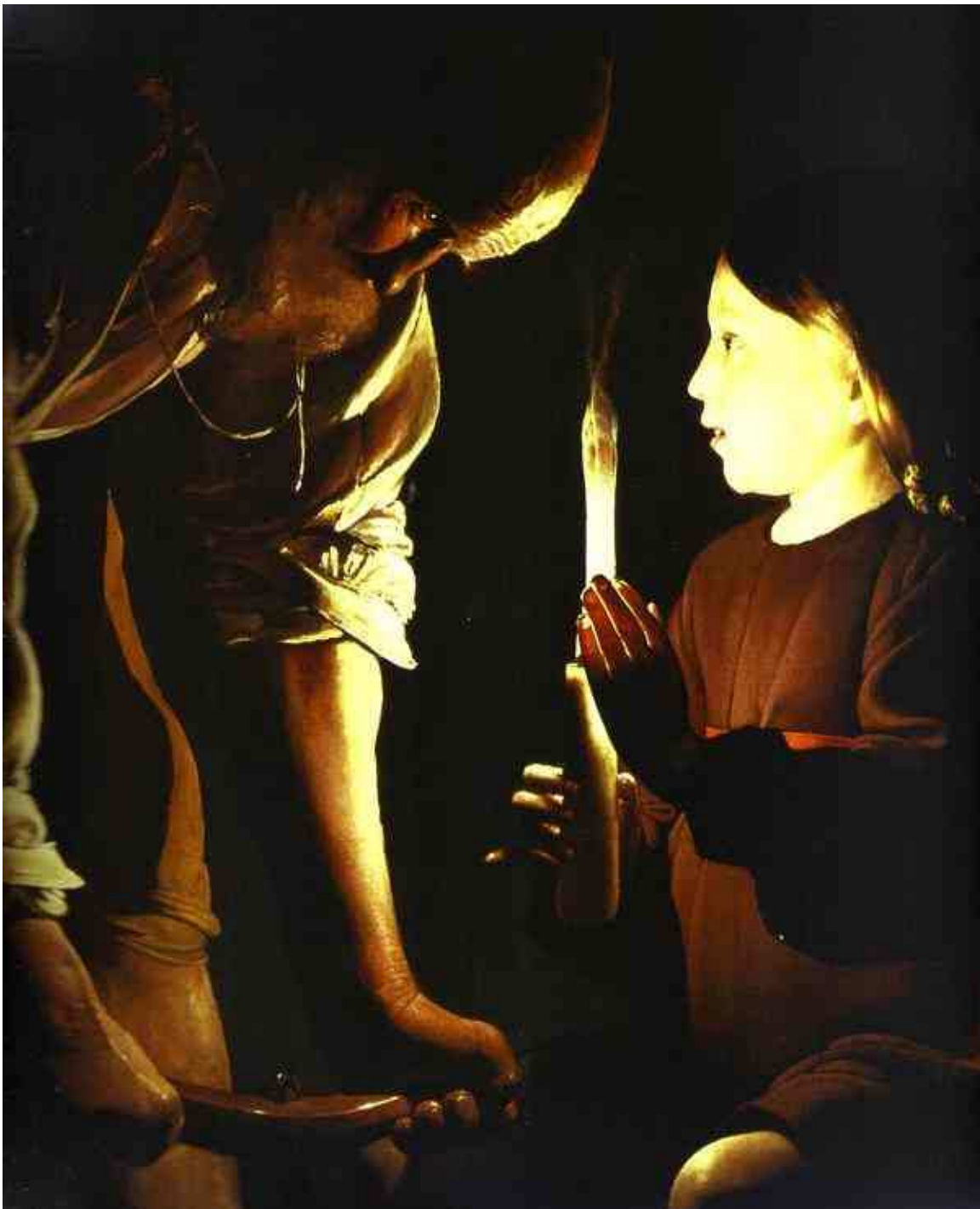


CHILDREN'S PACK

SPECIAL PARAGRAPHS

The boy Jesus lived and worked and played in a little house in Nazareth. Jesus is the Son of God. Mary is His mother. And St Joseph is his foster-father.

ST JOSEPH THE CARPENTER



SPECIAL PARAGRAPH NUMBER 2

St Joseph did everything for Jesus just like a real father should. St Joseph was a **carpenter** who made chairs, tables and many other things out of wood. Jesus liked helping him because He wanted to learn to be a carpenter, like Joseph.

ST JOSEPH THE CARPENTER

Name _____

Jesus liked to help his foster-father.



CATECHISM QUESTION

Q. 27 *Is St Joseph the father of Jesus?*

No, St Joseph is the foster-father of Jesus and the husband of Mary (Catholic Unattached Directory 484, 497).

LITANY OF ST JOSEPH

ord, have mercy.

REPLY: Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

REPLY: Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

REPLY: Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, hear us.

REPLY: Jesus, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven,

REPLY: have mercy on us.

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

REPLY: have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit,

REPLY: have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God,

REPLY: have mercy on us.

REPLY (After each verse): pray for us.

Holy Mary,

St. Joseph,

Renowned offspring of David,

Light of Patriarchs,

Spouse of the Mother of God,

Chaste guardian of the Virgin,

Foster father of the Son of God,

Diligent protector of Christ,

Head of the Holy Family,

Joseph most just,

Joseph most chaste,

Joseph most prudent,

Joseph most strong,

Joseph most obedient,

Joseph most faithful,

Mirror of patience,

Lover of poverty,

Model of artisans,

Glory of home life,

Guardian of virgins,

Pillar of families,

Solace of the wretched,

Hope of the sick,

Patron of the dying,

Terror of demons,

Protector of Holy Church,

Lamb of God, who take away the sins
of the world,

REPLY: spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins
of the world,

REPLY: graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins
of the world.

REPLY: have mercy on us.

He made him the lord of his household.

*REPLY: And prince over all his
possessions.*

Let us pray. O God, in your ineffable providence you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother; grant, we beg you, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector: You who live and reign forever and ever.

REPLY: Amen.

THE DEATH OF ST JOSEPH



Devout people everywhere have always believed that St Joseph died in the arms of Jesus and Mary. There is no more beautiful or holy way to leave this world. For this reason, St Joseph is known as the patron saint of a happy death and of the dying.

NEW PRAYER

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I love you, save souls

**“COME, THOUGH LONG EXPECTED JESUS,” ADOREMUS
HYMNAL, # 310.**

Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.