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Saint Joseph Calasanz



Saint Joseph Calasanz (Calasanzus) stands out as one of the great pioneers of free public education in Europe, a priest who dedicated his entire life to the intellectual and spiritual formation of poor children. His legacy lives on through the Piarist Fathers, the first religious order in the Church devoted entirely to teaching youth.

PRAYERS

Lord, you blessed Saint Joseph Calasanz with such charity and patience that he dedicated himself to the formation of Christian youth. As we honor this teacher of wisdom may we follow his example in working for truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer in Honor of St. Joseph Calasanz

St. Joseph Calasanz, you were well educated and formed in the faith from a young age, and then God called you to share those blessings with others. Please pray for me, that all I have received in life will be used for God's glory and for the good of others, helping all who need my help to grow closer to God and more fully fulfill His will. Amen.

Prayer

O God, who adorned the Priest Saint Joseph Calasanz with such charity and patience that he labored tirelessly to educate children and endow them with every virtue, grant, we pray, that we, who venerate him as a teacher of wisdom, may constantly imitate him, for he was a co-worker of your truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Prayer to St. Joseph Calasanz

O St. Joseph Calasanz, faithful priest and humble servant of God, you dedicated your life to the education and salvation of children, especially the poor and abandoned. Obtain for us the grace to imitate your zeal and patience, that we may teach and guide others in the ways of truth and holiness. Intercede for parents, teachers, and students, that they may grow in wisdom and love of God. Protect our schools and communities, and inspire us always to serve Christ in the little ones. Through your prayers, may we remain faithful to the Gospel, and come at last to the eternal joy of heaven. Amen.

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Prayer to St. Joseph Calasanz (for Students & Educators)

O St. Joseph Calasanz, father and protector of children and youth, you dedicated your life to educating the young in wisdom, faith, and love. Intercede for us before God, that our minds may be enlightened, our hearts formed in virtue, and our lives guided by truth. Help teachers to teach with patience and charity, students to learn with humility and diligence, and families to grow in faith and hope. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Students

St. Joseph Calasanz, patron of students and Christian schools, pray for me as I study and learn. Help me to grow in knowledge and wisdom, to use my gifts for the good of others, and to remain faithful to God in all that I do. Obtain for me perseverance, clarity of mind, and love of truth. Amen.

Prayer for Teachers

O St. Joseph Calasanz, model of patience and dedication, pray for all teachers. May they teach with kindness, form minds with wisdom, and guide hearts toward God. Grant them strength in difficulty and joy in their vocation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Short Prayer (for Schools or Classrooms)

St. Joseph Calasanz, pray for our school. Guide our teachers, protect our students, and help us grow in piety and learning. Amen. Prayer for Parents St. Joseph Calasanz, who cared deeply for the formation of children, pray for parents and guardians. Help them to educate their children with love, patience, and faith, and to lead them always closer to Christ. Amen.



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NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH CALASANZ



Opening Prayer (to be prayed each day) O glorious St. Joseph Calasanz, chosen by God to be a father and teacher of the young, you devoted your life to the education and formation of children, especially the poor. Obtain for us the grace we seek

(mention your intention here), if it be for the glory of God and the good of our souls. Help us to grow in piety and learning, to love truth, and to follow Christ faithfully in all things. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Day 1 – Love for Children

St. Joseph Calasanz, you saw Christ in every child, especially the poor and neglected. Teach us to love and protect children with patience, compassion, and respect. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 2 – Faith and Trust in God

St. Joseph Calasanz, amid trials and misunderstandings you trusted completely in God's providence. Help us to remain faithful when we face difficulties and discouragement. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 3 – Wisdom and Learning

St. Joseph Calasanz, you believed that knowledge and faith must grow together. Intercede for students and teachers, that learning may lead us closer to God. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 4 – Humility and Obedience

St. Joseph Calasanz, though misunderstood and humiliated, you remained humble and obedient to God's will. Help us to accept correction with peace and to seek God's will above our own. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 5 – Perseverance in Trials

St. Joseph Calasanz, you endured suffering for the sake of your mission. Strengthen us when we are tempted to give up, and grant us perseverance in doing good. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 6 – Teachers and Educators

St. Joseph Calasanz, patron of Christian schools, pray for all teachers and educators. May they teach with patience, wisdom, and charity, and form hearts as well as minds. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 7 – Students and Youth

St. Joseph Calasanz, friend and protector of the young, intercede for students and youth. Help them to grow in virtue, discipline, and love of truth. Protect them from harm and error. Pray for us.

Amen.

Day 8 – Families and Parents

St. Joseph Calasanz, who supported families in educating their children, pray for parents and guardians. May they be faithful witnesses of the Gospel and guides in wisdom and love. Pray for us. Amen.

Day 9 – Holiness of Life

St. Joseph Calasanz, faithful servant of God to the end, help us to live holy lives rooted in faith, hope, and charity. May our learning lead us to salvation and eternal life with God. Pray for us. Amen.

Closing Prayer

St. Joseph Calasanz, pray for us, that we may become instruments of God's love through education, service, and faith. Amen.

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Prayer to St. Joseph Calasanz for Teachers and Students

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