



January 28, 2011

**Dear Friends and Benefactors of the Rosary Hour,  
Dear Devotee of St. Joseph,  
Praised be Jesus Christ!**

Soon, our thoughts and hearts will rise towards St. Joseph, this special saint in the history of salvation. His historical personage, covered with shadows for a long time, has been reread in our times.

I am writing to you, inviting you to participate in our Novena to Saint Joseph. **In our novena prayer (10-18 March) and in celebrating the feast of St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin Mary's most chaste Spouse (March 19th) we will, as a community, ask this holy man for the grace which favors union with God.**

St. Joseph teaches us a quiet, self-sacrificing love in the service of others. He supports us in prayer, since he is a master of serving God in secret. He teaches us sacrifice and the idea of modest and simple work in life's daily toil. He is a model of suffering in silence and submitting that sacrifice to God. St. Joseph shares with us the confidence that overcomes all difficulties and is supported by the immensity of God's mercy.

Dear friends, we invite you to pray together with us because we believe that St. Joseph will obtain for us the graces which we ask of God. Please recommend your concern to his intercession, especially as related to your family life.

We hope that you, together with us, can obtain protection from St. Joseph. We can always count on his assistance in our various needs and difficult situations in life. **We strongly encourage you to join in our Novena to St. Joseph. All of Franciscan friars and those spiritually united with our entire Rosary Hour Family will ask St. Joseph with great humility to consider our weakness and obtain for us the grace that God, in His great mercy, hear the needs we entrust with confidence to his intercession.**

You can send all your intentions along with your alms on the card included with this letter. We assure you that your prayers and offerings assist our apostolate and help in carrying out the will of God that the Good News of Jesus, our Savior, would be proclaimed throughout the world.

*Let St. Joseph with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, intercede for you in Christ Jesus.*  
With a prayer and gratitude,

*O. Marcel Sokalski, OFM, Conv.*

Fr. Marcel Sokalski with the *Rosary Hour* community



**Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any who implored your help and sought your intercession were left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power, I fly unto you, and beg your protection. Despise not, O foster-father of the Redeemer, my humble supplication but in your bounty hear and answer me. Amen.**