

Saint Joseph

Foster-Father of Jesus

Games—Monday

I am the foster-father of Jesus. My name is Joseph. I am married to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I am a carpenter by trade (that means I build things to support my family. Building is my work.) I was born in Bethlehem but moved to Nazareth. I was blessed to be called by God to take care of Mary and Jesus. The last time my story is seen in scripture is when Jesus got lost in the temple. You see, the whole family went in a caravan (that means a long line of travelers all going together) to the temple in Jerusalem for a feast. When it was time to go, we all thought Jesus was with some of the rest of the family in another part of the group. It took us three days before we realized that he was not in the group. In a panic, we made our way back to the temple and found him there speaking and learning from the elders (that's the old people). People think I died before Jesus began his public ministry at the age of 33. I am the patron saint of carpenters and social justice. I teach about keeping children safe and protected from harm as I kept Jesus safe and protected from harm.

Let's get in a caravan and go play some games! (Make a line and walk in a funny route to the game area.)

Building Skills Relay

Hammer a nail so that it stands up, start a screw so it stands up, stack blocks 6 high, use a pair of pliers to pick up 6 nails and put them in a cup.

Using 2 sheets of newspaper, build a tower as high as you can.

Tanagram—Use blocks to fill a certain shape in a certain time period.

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