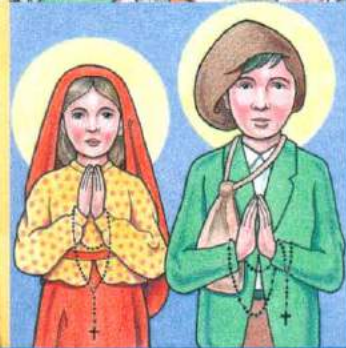
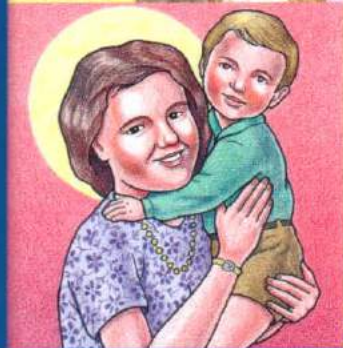





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Blessed Mother, Mary

When Mary was a teenager, an angel brought her a message from God. God wanted her to be the mother of his son, Jesus. God had picked Mary from

all the women on Earth! Mary was probably scared. But she trusted God. She told the angel “yes.”

After Jesus was born, Mary and her husband, Joseph, raised him. Mary was with Jesus when he died on the cross. Now she is in heaven. She is our Blessed Mother. She loves us and prays for us.

Mary lived during the first century A.D.

She was born in Palestine.

We celebrate her birthday on September 8.

We celebrate her feast day as the Mother of God on January 1.

Mary always said “yes” to God. She will help us to obey.



Saint Joseph

God chose Joseph to be Jesus's father on earth. The Bible tells us that Joseph was an honest man. He was a good husband and father. He found a safe place for Jesus to be born.

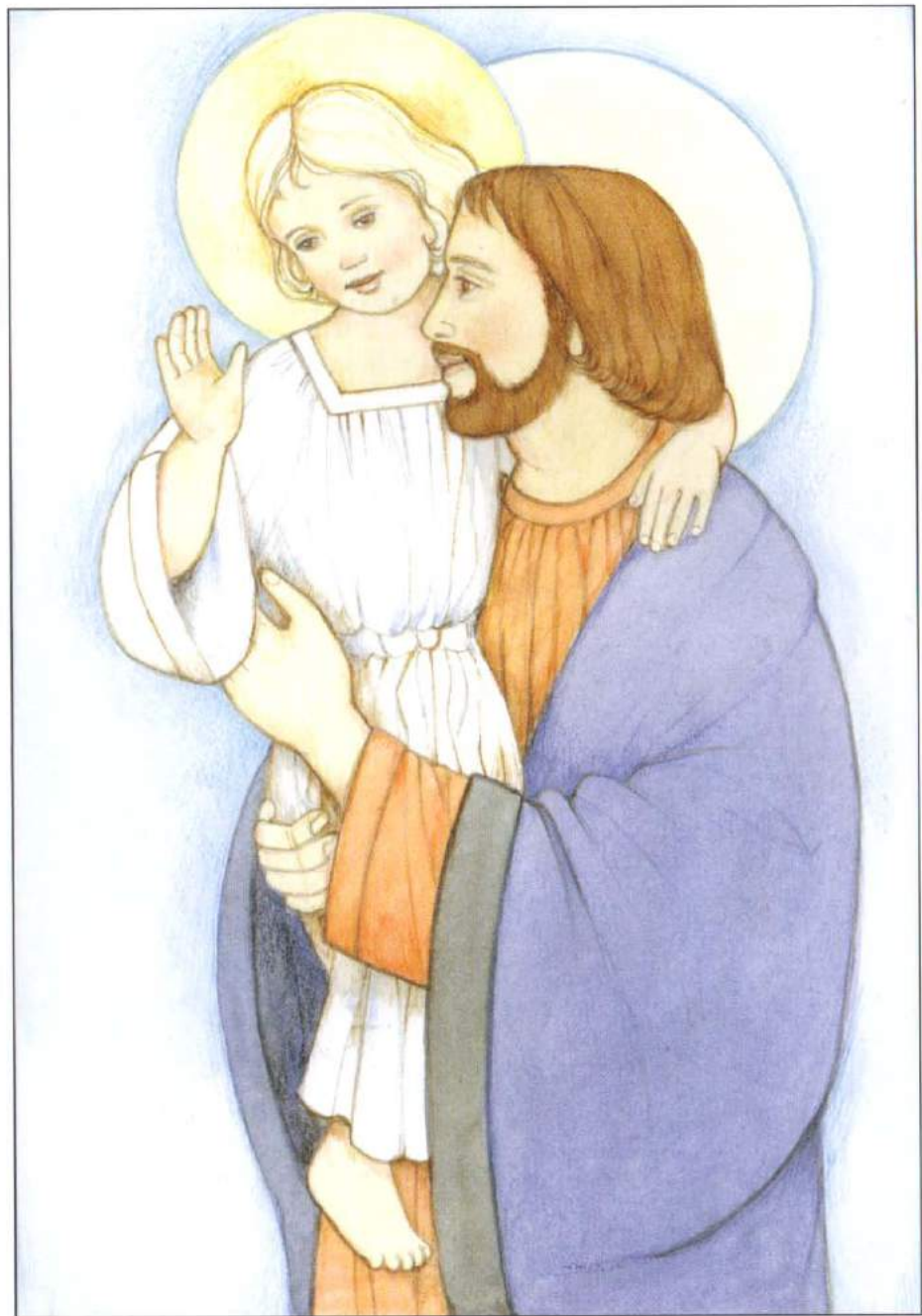
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He was born in Palestine.

We celebrate his feast day as the husband of Mary on March 19.

Joseph worked very hard to take care of Jesus and Mary. He was a carpenter. He did not have powerful tools like the ones we have today. He used simple tools. He built different things like chairs and tables.

From heaven, Saint Joseph watches over all fathers. We can ask him to keep us close to Jesus and Mary. We can ask him to help us with our work.



Saint Paul

Paul obeyed all the laws of the Jewish religion. But at first he was angry at people who believed in Jesus. Once, Paul was going to arrest some of them. He saw a bright light. He heard the voice of Jesus. Then he knew that Jesus is the Son of God!

Saint Paul lived from about the years 5–67.

He was born in Cilicia (now part of the country of Turkey).

We celebrate his feast day on June 29.

We celebrate his becoming a Christian on January 25.

Paul began teaching everyone about Jesus. That made some people hate him. But Paul was brave. He traveled everywhere. He wrote letters. He was even put to death because he would not stop talking and teaching about Jesus.

We can pray to Saint Paul to help us love Jesus with our whole heart.

