



The Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter

Office of the North American Superior

Dear Friend of the Fraternity,

I'm sure you shared my joy when 2021 was proclaimed to be a *Year of St. Joseph* for the entire Catholic church. As Father's Day approaches, we, of course, can find no better role model than the foster father of Our Lord.

When most of us think of St. Joseph, I suspect we picture him quietly working at his craft to provide the necessities of life for his Holy Family. But let us not overlook his title announced this special year: *Patris Corde* (With a father's heart).

St. Joseph did far more than merely raise his foster Son—he lovingly accepted this Child as his own. We can see the fatherly character of St. Joseph's heart in the second chapter of Matthew's Gospel. At the warning of an angel, St. Joseph fled to Egypt with his family, disrupting his life and livelihood to protect his Son. When he returned, he led his Holy Family to Nazareth rather than his familiar Bethlehem, again accepting a trial out of love for Jesus. May God grant to all fathers the heart of St. Joseph!



On June 20, 2021, we will offer the solemnity of Mass to honor your father in our intentions. You can use the enclosed form to enroll him in this Mass, along with any other fathers—living or deceased—who are dear to you.

Please return your form as soon as possible so that we can include your intentions. We hope you'll also share the enclosed Father's Day Mass card with a special father to let him know that you have enrolled him in this Mass.

Along with your form, can you enclose a donation to help us form holy, traditional Fathers for the Church? There is no obligation to give. But please keep in mind that Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary runs entirely on the generosity of our Catholic friends like you.

Please remember to help us pray for all fathers on June 20th. We shall continue to keep you in our constant prayers. Thank you for your generosity towards the FSSP.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Michael Stinson" with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Fr. Michael Stinson, FSSP
North American Superior

PS. If you would like additional Father's Day Mass cards, please indicate the quantity on the reply device or the online form.

Using the ancient liturgy as our well-spring, we form our priests in the traditions of the Church to serve at the altar and in the parish so that the fullness of Christ might enter the emptiness of the world.