

NINE DAYS OF THANKSGIVING

Day Five

Focus

Today we give thanks for those who strive to protect the vulnerable - God's people, God's creation.

We are mindful of St Joseph, always watchful, who, with fatherly eyes, protected Mary & Jesus.



'Flight to Egypt' by George Hitchcock

Every word of God proves true. He is a shield to all who come to him for protection.

Proverbs 30:5 (King James)

I cannot forget that there is a dear good God watching over us.

Mary MacKillop 1871

Be kind to all, be gentle to all, be very, very gentle

Julian Tenison Woods

Reflection

As you ponder the words from the Book of Proverbs and the writings of Mary & Julian what touches your heart?

(Your name) be attentive to God and to God's desires for our world.

How is the mystery of God's mission unfolding in your life?
(take as much time as you can to reflect on this)

To what does this call me today?



Sisters of Saint Joseph
of the Sacred Heart

United with all who protect the vulnerable, we pray:

*We give thanks for God's generosity
in calling the Sisters of St Joseph into being.*

*For Mary MacKillop and Julian Tenison Woods
the first sisters, the children in schools
the families around them
the friends supporting them.*

For the vision, energy and legacy they left.

*We give thanks for the Josephite spirit in God's mission
for the women who heeded the call
the people who supported the mission
the families who welcomed the sisters.
For the love and healing in our parishes.*

*Join with us, all who have gone before
walking the Josephite way
supporting the Josephite vision
drawn into Josephite communion.*

*Join us in praising God's abounding kindness.
Amen.*