

NOVENA AND FEAST
OF SAINT JOSEPH MARCH 10-19 2023

AT SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY OF MOUNT ROYAL



*Joseph,
my Friend
Prayer*

Joseph! Make me your friend.

Joseph!

You, the man with a heart as open as the
breadth of God's heart,
You, on whom Mary can lean like a steadfast
rock,
You, from whom Jesus learned how to make
his disciples his friends,
You, protector, model and confidant for
Brother André,
Make me your friend.

Joseph!

Be for me the friend who opens the door to
hearing the voice of God
in the tumult of this world,
Be for me the friend who teaches me to
discern the light of God
within the shadows of our existence,
Be for me the friend whose company
transforms everyday irritations
into a path of growth and life.

Joseph!

I want to be your friend, like Brother André
was. I know I can count on you, just like
thousands of your friends of all nations,
languages, cultures and religions throughout
the ages. With you beside me, my attention,
my compassion and my concern for my
sisters and brothers in need will deeply take
root in the Spirit of the all-merciful Father.
Joseph! Make me your friend.

Amen!