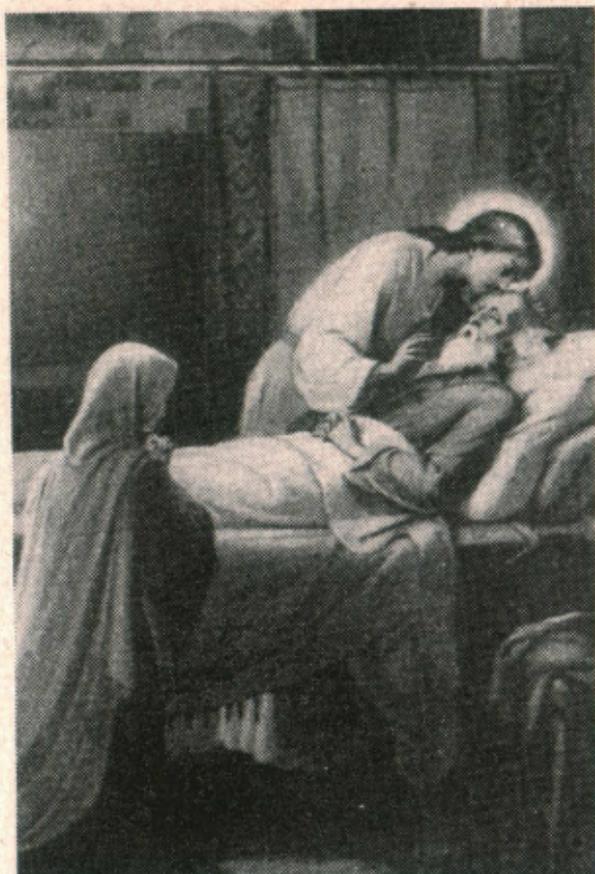


Seven Petitions to St. Joseph
to obtain a Happy Death



I. Most glorious St. Joseph, I humbly beg you, obtain for me the grace to be preserved from an unprovided death. Graciously obtain for me before I die, time and full consciousness to make a Sacramental confession, with true knowledge of my sins and perfect sorrow for them.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

II. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you, graciously obtain for me, that I may not die before receiving the most Holy Viaticum to strengthen me for my great journey into Eternity, and that I may worthily partake of the blessed Body of my Savior.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

III. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you, obtain for me, the privilege of receiving the Sacrament of Extreme Unction; may I, when receiving it, renew my act of sorrow for having offended my God, and may my soul and senses be strengthened through it to resist the attacks of the infernal enemy.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

IV. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you, obtain for me, that having received the last Sacraments I may have at my side a Priest to remind me of the sufferings of Jesus and the dolours of Mary, so that invoking their names with a contrite heart, I may acquire the immense treasure of a Plenary Indulgence.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

V. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you, graciously defend me now and in my last moments against my ordinary faults, and against all the assaults of the enemy; so that in life and in death I may, with your help, practice true acts of Faith, Hope and Love of my God.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

VI. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you not to abandon me at the last moment when I breathe forth my soul, and must give account to my God of all the deeds of my life. May my cause in that judgment be helped by your merits and those of your most dear spouse, Blessed Mary Immaculate.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

VII. Most glorious St. Joseph, I beg of you to continue your care of me even after death. If, because of my many sins, I must pass through Purgatory, do you, by your intercession obtain for me the remission of a great part of those sufferings, and lead me quickly to enjoy with you the presence of my God. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Bona Mors Society

ST. LEO'S CHURCH

2470 W. Locust St., Milwaukee, Wis.

I. ORIGIN OF THE SOCIETY

Rev. V. Caraffa, S.J., established in the year 1648 the first association in the Jesuit Church of the Gesu in Rome, under the title of "Confraternity of Jesus Dying on the Cross, and of the Mother of Sorrows" or more simply, "Confraternity of the Bona Mors."

BENEFITS

I. Many Indulgences (Plenary — partial) and **Special Privileges.**

II. Two Masses are read each week for the living and deceased members of the Society.

III. Special Benefits for members in case of death:

a) **All Members** in Good Standing — attending and non-attending, as well — to receive a Mass at death, if more than 6 months in the Society.

b) **Attending Members** — enjoy an added participation of Masses according to their record of attendance:

1 year perfect attendance — 1 Mass;
3 years perfect attendance — 3 Masses;
5 years perfect attendance — 1 High Mass and 3 Low Masses.

OBLIGATION

Attend the Monthly Meeting which is held in St. Leo's Church, on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 P.M. If unable to attend, recite the Seven Petitions to St. Joseph at home and send in an excuse together with the customary offering.