

## **LITTLE FLOWER LIVE – WEEK THREE SUMMARY**

### **JOSEPH AS AN OBEDIENT FATHER**

#### **Joseph's role in Salvation History**

- Joseph's ongoing friendship with God enabled him to hear God speak in his dreams.
- Joseph knew what it meant to "wake up" from a dream and ACT.
- Joseph recognized and respected proper authority and was faithfully obedient to God's law and the traditions of the Jewish faith.

#### **Obedience**

- "obedire" – to listen, an intentional hearing
- Not a forced or reluctant compliance, but a joyful anticipation of the Beloved's will and desires
- What is the invitation to love in this moment and in this place?

#### **Fruits of Genuine Obedience**

- Joy
- Freedom to love
- Trust, even in difficulties and struggles, that God is with me and strengthens me
- Availability for fullness of life, free of selfishness

#### **Practical Helps to Living Obediently**

- Genuflection – "You are my Lord. I give my life to You.
- Morning Offering – How would you have me encounter You and live Your will today?
- Focused and wholehearted praying of the Our Father