

the Association of the Holy Family, which holds up for the imitation of its members the sanctity of the Holy Family itself. For all who are enrolled in this Association, beholding the exalted virtues of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, must needs reproduce in some way these self-same virtues and endeavor to become better by imitating them. Therefore may this Pious Association live and thrive; may it increase in members and good works; may it grow and extend its influence day by day! Because so long as this Association flourishes, faith and piety and every Christian virtue will blossom again in the family. But as men are wont to be influenced by the hope of reward, We offer as an inducement what lies in Our power to bestow, a reward not frail or perishable, but the recompense of things spiritual.

Moreover, the associates may look forward to a still greater reward from Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, to whose service they have devoted themselves, who will be propitious to their clients in the course of this life, and will also grant that the sweet and holy names of Jesus and Mary may linger upon their dying lips.

Therefore, that this may tend to what is good and holy, and may redound to God's glory and the salvation of souls, We, by our Apostolic Authority, and by these presents, wish and ordain that each and every member of the Association of the Holy Family, now and for future time, be free to use the remission of temporal punishments known as indulgences, and the the privileges that are recorded below.

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