**A Loving Father’s Heart (song to St Joseph)**

A loving father’s heart

A faithful husband’s hand

Knowing God was with you

You trusted in his plan

Joseph, how you listened

When God said, “Don’t you fear”

From Nazareth to Bethlehem

Protecting, always near

***Guardian of Jesus***

***Courageous, brave and true***

***Mary’s strong protector***

***Joseph, guide us too***

You loved the child Jesus

You guided, worked and prayed

With Mary there beside you

A Holy Family every day

Joseph, always patient

In the shadows, not the light

With Jesus in the centre

And Mary by His side

***Guardian of Jesus***

***Courageous, brave and true***

***Mary’s strong protector***

***Joseph, guide us too***

Joseph, always near us

Always standing strong

Pray for us, be there for us

Through our whole life long

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