

SAINT  
JOSEPHINE  
BAKHITA

1869-1947  
PATRON OF  
SUDAN

PRAYER FOR VICTIMS  
OF MODERN SLAVERY AND  
HUMAN TRAFFICKING

FEAST DAY 8 FEBRUARY



# Prayer to St Josephine Bakhita

St Josephine Bakhita,  
you were sold into slavery as a child  
and endured untold hardship and suffering.

Once liberated from your physical enslavement  
you found true redemption in your encounter  
with Christ and his Church.

St Bakhita, assist all those  
who are trapped in a state of slavery;

Intercede with God on their behalf so that they  
will be released from their chains of captivity.

For all those enslaved, including those  
who are victims of forced labour,  
human trafficking and the survivors,  
give us the courage and strength to reach out  
and provide a voice and comfort.

Help all survivors find healing from their wounds.  
May they see you St Bakhita  
as an example of hope and faith.

*Amen.*