

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.