

Birds for St. Francis  
as patron of the animals



(All symbols from the canticle  
Brother Sun, Sister Moon, etc.)

Moon

Sun

Water

Star

Fire

Symbol of the  
Franciscan order

St. Francis

Dove of peace

Leper

Stigmata

Leper's bell  
(When approached lepers  
were required to shake  
a bell, crying "leper  
unclean" as a warning.)

Lily-of-the-valley  
(In Europe the lily-of-the-  
valley symbolizes the 1st  
of May -- St. Joseph's Day)

Jesus cross

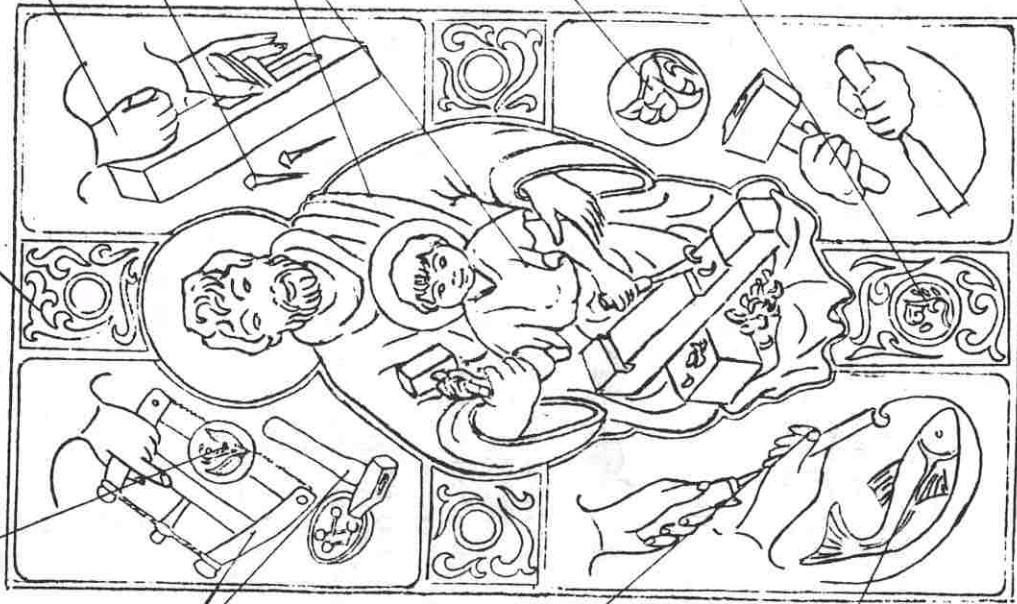
Hands - First tool  
of man

Spikes -- A foreboding  
of the crucifixion

Joseph the Worker -  
teaching his trade to the  
child Jesus

Lily (Fleur de lis) -  
symbol of purity

"J" for Joseph  
The small leaves symbolize  
the leaves growing on  
Joseph's staff at the  
Temple



Tools of carpentry  
(Joseph's trade)

Sculpator's gouge  
(Through the work of his  
hands, St. Joseph carved  
his own Christianity)

Fish (First symbol  
of Christianity)