

A Mother's Prayer for Her Child(ren)

O Holy Father, eternal God, from Whom all goodness and blessings flow, I humbly pray to Thee for the child/children that has/have been given unto me. Preserve my child/children in grace and sanctify him/her/them, that Thy Holy Name may be hallowed in him/her/them. Guide me in Thy Grace that I may bring him/her/them up for the glory of Thy Holy Name and for the benefit of mankind. Grant me the necessary means for this work, patience and fortitude. O Lord, enlighten my child/children by the light of Thy wisdom that he/she/they may learn to love Thee with all their soul and thoughts. Plant in their heart(s) the fear and repulsion of all wickedness, that he/she/they may wend their way without corruption. Beautify their soul(s) by Thy chastity, kindness, humility, industry, patience, and all virtues. Guard their lip(s) from all slander and falsehoods. Bless my child/children so he/she/they prosper in virtue and holiness, and he/she/they may grow up in Thy favor and in the love of upright men. May their Guardian Angel ever be with him/her/them and protect him/her/them from vain thoughts, from wicked and sinful temptations of the world, and from all snares of the evil spirit. If anytime my child/children were to sin before Thee, turn not Thy face away from him/her/them but be merciful to him/her/them, according to the multitude of Thy great mercy. Thou who dost cleanse all men's sins, grant my child/children the bounties of Thy earth, and everything necessary for the gaining of eternal salvation. Protect him/her/them from affliction, anger and misfortune, harm, and pain all the days of their life. O good Lord, I pray to Thee, grant that I have joy and gladness in my child/children; vouchsafe that in purity I may appear with my child/children before Thee on the Day of Thy Judgment and without fear say: "Here I am, Lord, with the child/children Thou has given me." that together with him/her/them, I may glorify Thy Most Holy Name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, unto ages of ages. Amen.