

Prayers on Parenthood

O Jesus Christ our Lord, give us understanding and strength.
Help us to be kind and gentle, tender and compassionate, patient and forgiving,
just and upright, loving one another as You have loved us.
May Your Holy Spirit show us how to serve You by being obedient and faithful,
so that we may glorify Your holy name forever. Amen

O Lord, we pray You,
gather the lambs of Your flock into Your bosom, and guard them from all evil.
Lead them by Your rod and staff in paths of peace and plenty.
Feed them out of Your everlasting bounty; so that these, Your lambs,
may become sheep of Your pasture and enter into Your heavenly fold,
to go no more out forever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ,

You have committed these children into our care so that we may cooperate with You in preparing them for the life of heaven. Grant us, we pray, the knowledge and love to serve You in this way. Help us to lead these children to acknowledge You as their God and Father. Help us teach them Your Prayer, that they may be introduced into the worship of You. Give us the understanding to teach them Your Ten Commandments so that they will learn to shun evils as sins. Help us to show them the supreme importance of Your Word that they may be prepared for regeneration. In this way, let us work with You to promote our children's happiness in this life and their eternal welfare in the world to come. May You be with us in this journey and lead us in the way of peace.

Amen.

