

“Children are the  
supreme gift  
of marriage  
and  
contribute greatly  
to the good of  
the parents  
themselves.”

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## Children's Prayer for their Parents

Dear Lord!

Fill our parents with Your choicest blessings:  
enrich their souls with Your Holy grace;  
grant that they may faithfully and constantly  
guard that likeness of Your union with Your Church,  
which You did imprint upon them on their wedding  
day.

Fill them with Your spirit of holy fear,  
which is the beginning of wisdom;  
inspire them to impart it to their children.

May they ever walk in the way of Your command-  
ments

and may we their children be their joy here on earth  
and their crown of glory in heaven.

Finally, Lord God, grant,  
that both our father and mother  
may attain to extreme old age  
and enjoy continuous health in mind and body.  
May they give You abundant thanks  
because You have bestowed upon them  
the great gift of parenthood.

Amen.

## Prayer of Parents for Their Children

O Lord, omnipotent Father, we give you thanks for having given us children. They are our joy, and we accept with serenity the worries, fears, and labors which bring us pain. Help us to love them sincerely. Through us you gave life to them; from eternity you knew them and loved them. Give us the wisdom to guide them, patience to teach them, vigilance to accustom them to the good through our example. Support our love so that we may receive them back when they have strayed and make them good. It is often so difficult to understand them, to be as they would want us to be, to help them go on their way. Grant that they may always see our home as a haven in their time of need. Teach us and help us, O good Father, through the merits of Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.