

Prayer at the Birth of a Child:

With joy and thanksgiving we praise You out of the fullness of our grateful hearts that You have gladdened our home and life with this newborn babe.

We know that this child is a gift of Your bountiful hand. Grant us grace and wisdom to bring up this precious soul in the knowledge and understanding of Your Word, which makes us wise unto salvation. Watch over him (her) with Your tenderest care and continued grace until the day we bring this little one to the font of Holy Baptism.

As surely as You will endow our child with faith and strengthen him (her) in spirit, so too endow our child with a healthy body, and strengthen and preserve him (her) according to Your good and gracious will. Grant that our child may grow in favor with You and bring sunshine and joy into our hearts and our home.

Keep us all in Your grace, forgiving us daily our sins and filling our souls with peace. You are our hiding place. And now to You be praise, glory, and thanksgiving, for this precious gift, this day and forevermore; through Jesus Christ, who is the Friend of children and the Savior of all. Amen.