

## Mom's Daily Frayer

O Lord, I need Your help today. I want to care for those You've sent into my life, to help them develop the special gifts You've given them. But I also want to free them to follow their own paths and to bring their loving wisdom to the world. Help me to embrace them without clutching, to support them without suffocating, to correct them without crushing. And help me to live joyfully and playfully, so they can see Your life in me and find their way to You.

AMEN.

## Daily Prayer for Moms

Heavenly Father,

I thank You for mothers ~ to whom You've entrusted the care of every precious human life, from its very beginning in the womb.

You've given women the capacity of participating with You in the creation of new life. Grant that every woman may come to understand the full meaning of that blessing, which gives her an unlimited capacity for selfless love for every child she may be privileged to bear, and for all Your children.

Watch over every mother who is with child, strengthen her faith in Your fatherly care and love for her and for her unborn baby. Give her courage in times of fear or pain, understanding in times of uncertainty and doubt, and hope in times of trouble. Grant her joy in the birth of her child.

You've given moms the great privilege and responsibility of being a child's first teacher and spiritual guide. Grant that they may worthily foster the faith of their children, following the example of Mary, Elizabeth, and other holy women who follow Christ. Help moms to grow daily in knowledge and understanding of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant them the wisdom to impart this knowledge faithfully to their children, and to all who depend upon them.

Assist all "spiritual mothers," those who, though they may have no children of their own, nevertheless selflessly care for the children of others -- of every age and state in life. Grant that they may know the joy of fulfilling this motherly

calling of women, whether in teaching, nursing, religious life, or in other work which recognizes and fosters the true dignity of every human being created in Your image and likeness.

I ask You to send Your Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to all mothers who grieve for children that have died, are ill or estranged from their families, or who are in trouble or danger of any kind. Help grieving moms to rely on Your tender mercy and fatherly love for all Your children.

Daily Scripture Reading

DAY ONE ~ Proverbs 31:10-31

DAY TW() ~ Luke 2:33-35

DAY THREE ~ John 2:1-12

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DAY FIVE ~ I Corinthians 13:1-13

## Daily Act of Love for Mom

DAY ONE ~

Write or call your Mom to thank her for all she is and does.

DAY TWO ~

Give your Mom a gift. Try chocolate or flowers.

DAY TUREE ~

Do a job around the house without being asked.

DAY FOUR ~

Hug your Mom; tell her she's beautiful and that you love her.

DAY FIVE ~

Do something that would cause your Mom to feel loved.

## Ind of the Day Prayer

Lord, I ask Your blessing on all to whom You have entrusted motherhood. May Your Holy Spirit constantly inspire and strengthen them. May they follow the example of Mary, mother of Our Lord, and imitate her fidelity, her humility, and her self-giving love. May all mothers receive Your Grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in Your presence in the life to come.

I pray this through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God ~ world without end.

AMEN.

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