Novena for Life Day 3 – Infancy and Childhood

Leader: In the Name of the Father + Son and Holy Spirit. Amen. Our Father...

Leader: "The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom and the favour of God

was upon him." Luke 2:40

Leader: Let us pray.

God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, grant to all babies and children the grace to increase in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favor. Bless, we pray for all families. May they find in the Holy Family an example and inspiration for true parenting. Bless their homes that loving wisdom and discipline may flourish, each young life loved and valued in their uniqueness.

Grant Father, to single parents, special grace to raise their children single handedly, and the support they need through grandparents and through the church and their communities. Expose we pray all abuse of children by members of their families, or persons in authority. Grant wisdom and vigilance to all teachers, child care-givers and social workers. Stir the consciences of all those who abuse children by violent words and actions that assault their bodies and their souls. Grant to them repentance. We earnestly pray for the healing of souls and bodies of children so abused. Grant to each one the grace to be able, in your time to forgive the perpetrators of their agonies. We pray for all who accompany them on their lonely journey. We ask all these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

Prayer to Celebrate the Gospel of Life.