

Novena for Life

Day 4 – Youth and Coming of Age

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

Leader: Jesus said to them; “Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” Luke 2:49

Leader: Let us pray.

We pray for all young people seeking their identity including their sexual identity and their eternal destiny. By God’s holy protection, may none stir up or awaken love until it is ready (Song of Songs 2:7). Grant protection over them that they may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil, including the lure of casual sex, addictive substances and abortion.

Send forth Christian witnesses as labourers in this great harvest of souls, that each young person may know they have been chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before Him in love. Give wisdom, patience and forgiving love to parents, teachers, counselors in challenging times.

Bless we pray, the catechism classes in all our parish communities and all confirmation preparations, that the power and love of the Holy Spirit may be poured into each young heart. May our bishops, priests and deacons, women religious and lay pastoral ministers be shining examples to our young people as they faithfully minister word and sacrament.

And we pray for all who seek to bring back into the fold of community life, those young people who have gone astray – for all police officers, youth workers, addiction councilors, prison officers. Give to them your compassion, O God as they perform the office of Good Shepherds. We ask these prayers through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer to Celebrate the Gospel of Life.