

# Thanksgiving for a Newborn or Newly Adopted Young Child

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**A**

God, our Creator, cherish this child.

Jesus, our Savior; protect him/her.

Holy Spirit, our comforter, strengthen him/her.

or:

**B**

Source of all blessings, protector of infants,

look with favor on this child, N.

Hold him/her gently in your hands.

When he/she is reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,

bring him/her into the Church,

there to share in your kingdom

and with us to bless your name forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen

The parents trace the sign of the cross on the child's forehead.

N., may the Lord Jesus, who loved children,

bless you and keep you in his love,

now and forever.

**R/.** Amen