



# *Parenthood Prayer*

**Thanks be to God for the blessing that God is about to grant you  
by loaning you the life-changing gift of a son  
to shepherd throughout his life.**

**May God grant you wisdom and humility to place your son in  
second place to God in your life.**

**May your appreciation of and devotion to God  
cause you to acknowledge your dependence on God  
to live for Him and in the process,  
live for your child before yourselves.**

**May your lives truly be lived as a living sacrifice  
in order to nurture your child  
into the kind of person God would have them to be.**

**May you dedicate your lives to God, as Earthly parents,  
so that your son will always see God through you,  
as his Heavenly Father.**

**May one day your son have a child,  
and do the same for them.**

*To Betty and John,  
In Honor of Your New Son:*

*June 3, 2007*

*With Love in Christ,*

*Mary*