

## **BLESSING OF CHILDREN**

*from Traditional Roman Ritual*

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven & earth.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

We implore Thee, almighty God, to bless + these children, and we ask Thee to keep them in Thy love. Strengthen their hearts by the power of Thy Holy Spirit, sanctify their lives, foster their innocence. Keep their minds intent on good, help them to prosper, give them peace, health, and charity. By Thy might and protection shield them always from every temptation of men or demons. And in Thy mercy may they finally attain the happiness and rest of Paradise; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray

O Lord Jesus Christ. Who embraced the little children when they came or were brought to Thee, and laying Thy hands on them blessed them and said: "Let the little children come to Me, and do not stop them. The kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these; and their angels ever see the face of My Father;" we beg Thee to look with favor on the devotion of these boys and girls here present, and let Thy blessing come on them in fullest measure. Let them ever advance in Thy grace and goodness, the better to know Thee, to love Thee, to fear thee, and to serve thee, and happily reach their blessed destiny. We ask this of Thee, Savior of the world, who livest and reignest with the father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. R. Amen.



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