



Please Join Us in Prayer for Jesse



Jesse enjoys playing football, wearing shorts year-round, and looking at shoes online. The 12-year-old also loves history and laughing at funny YouTube videos. Jesse wants to attend junior college and hopefully play for the NFL. He also has dreams of being an astronaut.

Jesse was his younger sister's caretaker for much of their life before foster care, and he adores her. He interacts well with adults, although he sometimes has difficulty understanding what they are trying to tell him, which means he may need repeated instructions.

Since Jesse's sister is no longer in state care, he can not be adopted with her. Nevertheless, it's important that their relationship remain intact. It's also important that he maintain his relationship with his maternal grandmother. She currently cares for him and serves as an essential support system.

Jesse would do best in a home in which he is either the only or the youngest child. He'll need reassurance that his new family will never give up on him and that he will always be loved. He needs to be reminded that it's okay for him to just be a child, have fun, and not worry so much about taking care of others.

Almighty God, you gave your only Son into the care of a human family:
Please open the hearts of your people to all children in foster care,
especially **Jesse**; send parents to love them, communities to guide
them, and your Holy Spirit to nurture them into the people you want
them to be. This we ask through your Son,
Jesus Christ. Amen.

Fostering in Faith

Each of us has a story. It's our own, yet it is richly interwoven with relationships and connections. Those connections can turn our personal stories into a larger, shared story. We create our story by giving voice to our shared human experience - by praying in solidarity for our brothers and sisters, by connecting our empathy to action, and by sharing our resources, our gifts, and ourselves with each other.

Pray ...

This loving ministry provides a way for congregations, faith communities, and individuals to pray for children in need of adoptive families. We know that most congregations have within their fellowship persons to whom God has given a spirit for intercessory prayer.

You may be one of those special people.

Connect ...

By reaching out to local congregations and church leaders, Saint Francis hopes to build relationships. By connecting, we can collaborate in creative ministries, address local needs, and share insights and experience. **Together, let's begin "our" story.**

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