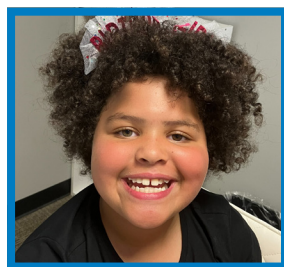




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## MARLIE

Artistic and resilient, 10-year-old Marlie is excited about finding an adoptive family that will love her forever. She thrives with one-on-one time and needs adults willing to prioritize spending time with her.

"I am good at doing hair and art," she says. Marlie also enjoys drawing and coloring, painting her nails, making pottery, watching movies, playing with animals, and going to the park. Her favorite school activities are recess and art.

Marlie's life has been difficult, but she remains empathetic with children who have higher needs than she does. Still, she needs adults in her life who are familiar with trauma. She would do best in a home with either no children or with older children. A two-parent family would work best, but she could also succeed in a one-parent home with proper community supports.

Marlie would thrive in a family that enjoys nature, games, and creative hobbies. She needs parents willing to spend time with her and provide reassurance that she is loved and wanted. Please pray that Marlie finds the forever family she needs.

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 **Marlie**; 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.

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# 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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