



ZACHARY

Smart and sensitive, 15-year-old Zachary likes to read, cook, draw, and demonstrate his skills with trivia and fun facts. He says he's also good at playing both soccer and video games. As a person, Zachary is deeply empathetic and loving, especially with those close to him.

Zachary also likes to laugh and watch funny short videos and movie comedies. Gardening is his favorite class in school because "I like plants and animals." His love of nature and the outdoors have led him to want to be a farmer when he reaches adulthood.

Deeply curious, Zachary has a vivid imagination and a willingness to learn. He loves his foster dad and enjoys helping with chores around the house. Sometimes he struggles to read social cues from his peers, but he does well in one-to-one interactions with supportive, compassionate adults. He's getting better at such interactions all the time.

Zachary has already experienced trauma in his young life. He needs a family that understands his needs. As his foster father says, "Zachary is caring, loving, and a good helper." Please pray that he finds the parent(s) he needs to thrive.

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 Zachary; 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.**

To invite Saint Francis Ministries to your congregation,
email foundation@st-francis.org
or call 800.898.4896.

