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Act of Consecration

O Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, to your Immaculate Heart, the channel of graces, we consecrate this child whom we have received from God's goodness. We offer him/her to you that you may present him/her to your Divine Son, and that you may take him/her under your loving, maternal protection. Preserve this child from dangers and keep him/her from all sin. Help this child to remain faithful to the promises made in Baptism so that he/she may go through life having you always as his/her refuge and mother. May all virtues shine in him/her and may he/she never offend your maternal heart. May the Eternal Father always look upon this child with delight and see in him/her a ray and reflection of your Immaculate Beauty. And as to-

day he/she gladdens our home, so may he/she one day gladden the Eternal Home which we pray will be his/hers. Amen.

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