## A Prayer For Our Youth

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"Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." MATTHEW 19:14

Gracious and loving Father, watch over the youngest among us who face illness of body, mind, or spirit. Send your grace upon them so they will know your loving and healing presence. Give these children and their families strength, hope, and joy as they face the challenges and crosses of life. Just as your divine Son gathered children to himself, so may we provide them the necessary support and care for their earthly journey. We look to you as a sign of mercy, healing, and joy. Amen.

Saint Dymphna, pray for us!



