

# Litany of the Holy Child Jesus

*(Prayed by all Holy Child students and faculty on the 25th of each month)*

“Mysteries of the most sublime teaching  
are to be found in the humble,  
hidden life of the Holy Child Jesus  
in which God manifests in the most  
wonderful manner the treasures of his  
mercy and of his boundless love.”

*– Cornelia Connelly*



**Let us pray together and rejoice in God's presence in our lives and in our world.**

God, Creator and Giver of Life,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Jesus, Redeemer and Light of the World,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Spirit, Source of Wisdom and Grace,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Trinity, One God,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Son of the Living God,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Word of God Made Flesh,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Expression of God's Compassion	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Image of God's Mercy and Love,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Source of Joy,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>
Holy Child Jesus, Faithful and Obedient from Crib to Cross,	<b>Have mercy on us.</b>

That we may love You with all our hearts:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That we may recognize your presence in our lives and the lives of others:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That we may treat everyone with dignity and respect:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That refugees, immigrants, and other displaced and homeless people may be welcomed and find safety:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That those who live in constant fear of violence and war find peace and hope:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That the lonely and vulnerable find comfort and kindness:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That those burdened with sickness and hopelessness find consolation and peace:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That all children who suffer abuse or neglect find protection and love:	<b>Holy Child, help us to act with compassion and mercy.</b>
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That all nations and peoples work in unity  
for the common good:

**Holy Child, help us to act  
with compassion and mercy.**

That we may see God's goodness in  
creation and respond with thoughtfulness  
and care for the earth and all her creatures:

**Holy Child, help us to act  
with compassion and mercy.**

That we may live a "love full of action"  
in responding to the needs of others:

**Holy Child, help us to act  
with compassion and mercy.**

Child Jesus, bless all Holy Child students,  
families, alums, teachers, staff and  
trustees around the world:

**Holy Child, hear us.**

Child Jesus, may we have the courage  
and determination to live out the motto  
that Cornelia Connelly gave us,  
"Actions not Words:"

**Holy Child, graciously  
hear us.**

In the humble and hidden life of the Holy Child Jesus, we find the grace  
to live out the virtues of simplicity, gentleness, compassion and joy and  
so we pray:

All: **"Glory be to God whose power working  
in us can do infinitely more than we  
can ask or imagine."** – *Ephesians 3:20*



The Society of the Holy Child Jesus was founded by a Philadelphian, Cornelia Peacock Connelly, in England, 1846. Cornelia was a wife (married to Pierce Connelly), a mother of five children, a woman religious. Her unique educational philosophy has guided Holy Child Schools in Europe, America, and Africa.

Holy Child education is rooted in Cornelia Connelly's personal and passionate understandings of how children develop mentally, physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually. Today each school in the Holy Child Network continues this living Holy Child way of being and educating that holds true to its heritage while continually adapting to each student, to each place and to every generation.

*See Holy Child Goals and Criteria, revised 2021*

