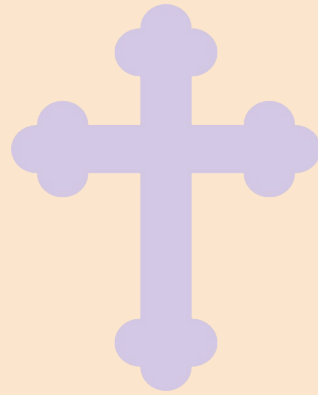


**St. Paul American Coptic Orthodox Church
Archangel Raphael's Pre-k Class**

My First Prayer Book

"Hear my prayer, O Lord" (Psalm 143:1)





Prayer prep. song

Let us stand...

Let us pray...

Raise our hands...

Close our eyes...

Face the cross...

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(The song is available on the CD, which was handed to the children and on Moodle too)





Let's get ready, and do the sign of the cross!



Stand up or kneel down quietly
and nicely, like angels!

Use our right
hand



In The Name of The Father,

the Son,

and the Holy,

Spirit,

one God, Amen...

Dear God,

**Thank You for loving
us, and for giving us
our beautiful church...
Please protect her!**





**Thank you for my family...
Please bless them!**



**Thank you for my friends...
Please bless them!**



Please be with those who are mean to us.
And forgive us when we do something bad that hurts Your heart.
And help all of us to do things that make You happy...

**Please be with the
sick and help them
feel better...**



**Please be with those
who are sad and
help them become
happy...**





**Please be with the
poor and give them
what they need.**



Through the
intercessions of our
mother Saint Mary...



And Saint
Paul...



And
Archangel Raphael...



Lord, hear us when we pray thankfully...

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. In Christ Jesus our Lord. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

(The Lord's prayer song, which we use in class, is available on the CD, which was handed to the children and on Moodle too)

Some tips for making prayer time with our little angels as engaging as possible:

- ❖ Pray the words of the prayer book in small phrases, and have your child repeat after you, so they can become familiar with the words of prayer and participate.
- ❖ After the kids get used to the habit of praying on a regular basis, it may be helpful if you alternate between including the hymn that the kids are learning in class, and the weekly memory verse as a part of the prayer each time you pray.
- ❖ Encourage your kids to practice personal prayer, and let them share with God whatever it is that they feel or have in mind after you pray together.
- ❖ Incorporate whatever lessons your child has been learning into the prayer. These can be from your daily Bible readings, Youth Academy lessons, lessons around the home, etc.
- ❖ Discuss the words of the Prayer book before or after prayer with the kids, and allow them to ask questions and to get a better understanding of what they're praying.