Rosaries for Life of Minnesota

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

This prayer was recommended by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen to be said daily for one year to spare the life of a child in danger of abortion. I started to pray this prayer in October of 1992. As I reflected upon the prolife movement, I was overcome with the realization that many babies would be saved if every prolife individual prayed this one prayer.

I was reciting my prayer faithfully for several months when it occurred to me to ask God for a sign. I wanted to know the birthday and sex of my spiritual child. I wasn't quite sure if I would receive a sign and after thinking more about it, I decided that the sign was in my heart as I knew one baby would be spared the agony of abortion.

The months passed and I had forgotten that I had now been praying for my child for nine months until July 1, 1993. I went to the rental office of my apartment complex to pay my July rent. The manager told me that a man had left a package for me the day before. She had given the package to my neighbor thinking that my neighbor would see me before I came in to pay my rent.

My curiosity was peaked at having received a package from someone directly instead of through the U.S. Post Office. I went to my neighbor's apartment and found a brown shopping bag with my name on it. I opened it and found a letter and a

small wrapped gift. I opened the letter and began to read.

July 1, 1993

From this day forward each infant that you see, you will have to ask yourself, "Is this one mine? You have helped a miracle to happen, you shall go through your time on earth with a joy knowing that a life is here among us because you loved.

Spiritually you have brought forth a life.....

As life goes on you will know when it is time for your child to start his first day of school, you will know when it is time to graduate, you will know these and other important things of growing up simply because of the clock. Yet I cannot help but to feel that you will also know when your child is in need of your prayers and when it is time to rejoice with him. I believe this is the blessing you will receive for all of your prayers. You are a mother now and deserve to share in the splendor of a soul allowed to live a life.

Spiritually you have brought forth a life and spiritually you will share your child's joys and pains.

Cherish each moment you are with your child. Like a physical bond between a biological mother and child you share a spiritual bond. As physical parents help their child grow and

mature so must you help yours – spiritually.

God bless you for your gift to us and don't ever take lightly your act of love. It is my prayer that one day Jesus will say to you "Brenda, this is your child that you saved from death."

Christ's Peace Be With You.

I then opened the gift and found a pair of blue baby shoes. I cannot describe the emotions that flooded my soul. God is so wonderful. I knew I had asked for a sign but this was absolutely incredible. I named my son John Michael and I continue to pray for him every day. My twelve months are up and I am now praying for my second child.

I have reflected on this experience over the past year and have come to the conclusion that God inspired me to ask for a sign for two reasons. The first reason is to show me the power of prayer and the fact that we can move mountains and save babies if we pray and believe. The second reason is that I could share this experience with you so that we all will spiritually adopt babies. God bless you and never underestimate the power of Prayer!