



**PRAYER SERVICE  
GRANDPARENTS DAY  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in July**

**INTRODUCTION:**

Pope Francis told the World Youth Day crowds in Brazil. “How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family.

Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:**

**Cel :** We know that God always listens to us when we pray and so we bring our prayers before him...

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who care for us: the staff in our schools and colleges, our parents, grandparents and our families. Let us pray to the Lord...

We pray for our teachers and elders; that they may continue to help us to be the best that we can be. Let us pray to the Lord...

We pray for children everywhere; that their homes and schools are places where they know that they are loved and cared for always. Let us pray to the Lord...

We pray for all our grandparents. Lord, bless them for all the love and care they have shared with us over the years. Let us pray to the Lord...

We pray for all who have died; we remember especially grandparents and all those we loved, may they be at peace with God in his heavenly home. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Cel. :** Lord God almighty blesses our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grand children. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.