

Introduction:

Today, we pray for and appreciate our grandparents and the elderly in our family and society that they may be blessed by the relationship they share with the family and community.

Readings:

First Reading: 2kgs 4: 42-44
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145: 10-11, 15-16, 17-18
Second Reading: Eph 4: 1-6
Gospel: Jn6:1-15

Prayer of the Faithful:

Celebrant:

Trusting in our caring and compassionate God who always opens his hand and satisfies us, let us place our petitions before him, saying ... **LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

For Pope Francis, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the lay faithful; that we may always be one in mind and heart as we reflect the generosity and compassion on God in all our relationships... we pray... **R/**

For our nation and its leaders; that with facilities and provisions we may create together a haven of peace, justice, and solidarity, where the grandparents and elderly are respected and cared for... we pray... **R/**

For families; that they may grow in respect, compassion and care for each other enjoying a sense of belonging and sharing unconditional love for each other... we pray... **R/**

For Grandparents and the Elderly; that they may find joy in their role as storytellers, mentors and prayer warriors and never experience loneliness and insecurities... we pray... **R/**

For the lonely and abandoned; that God's abiding and healing presence may fill the emptiness in their lives through caring and compassionate neighbours and friends... we pray... **R/**

For the mission of building a caring community; that we may be inspired to share the five loaves and two fish of our existence in reaching out and building a network of care and compassion for all... we pray... **R/**

Celebrant:

Loving Father, we thank you for listening to the prayers we make with faith in your providence that governs and directs our lives, through Christ our Lord. Amen.