



Introduction:

As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year let us draw strength from the Eucharist in recognising the importance of our Grandparents and the elderly in our own journey of faith. Let us pray for them in the name of Jesus who invites us to ask, to seek and to knock with faith and hope in gratitude for all that they have done in service of the Lord, the Church and their families. We pray that God in his graciousness bring the life of the grandparents and the elderly to fulfilment.

First reading: Gen 18: 20-32
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 138: 1-2a,2bcd-3,6-7ab,7c-8
Second reading: Col 2: 12-14
Gospel: Lk 11: 1-13

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: We surrender our needs to the generosity of our Father in heaven who invites us to ask, to seek and to knock with our prayers we make with hope.

Our response is: O LORD HEAR US WE PRAY

For our Holy father, bishops, priests, religious and the lay faithful; that we may all collaborate in appreciating and acknowledging the value of our grandparents and elderly in building and strengthening the Church... we pray...

For our political leaders and governments; that their policies, plans and programmes may always give priority to the well-being and comfort of the elders of our communities... we pray...

For our parish community; that we may always value the presence of our grandparents and elders in catechesis, faith formation and building our families and communities with responsible hope... we pray...

For the elderly, sick, suffering, and terminally ill and for those caring for their well-being, that they may find healing, comfort, and courage through Christ's saving presence... we pray...

For our elderly clergy and religious; that having served the Lord, they may enjoy comfort, healing and strength in the love of their communities they belong to... we pray...

For the prayers we make with faith; that God may be generous in His love always... (Pause for 7 seconds)... we pray...

Celebrant: Gracious Lord, as we seek Your blessings on our grandparents and elderly, we thank You for listening to the prayers we have made with faith in Your everlasting mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen.