



CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION TIMELINE

2002

The Catholic Grandparents Association started with the Walsingham Annual Grandparents Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, Norfolk, England.

Inspired by an idea to honour and thank St. Joachim and St. Anne, Parents of Mary, Grandparents of Jesus and all Grandparents for all they have done for us throughout the ages particularly in the transmission of the Faith. Spiritual Patrons of the CGA.



2002

Papal Blessing received from HH Pope John Paul II (Pope Saint John Paul).

2006

First Lay Pastoral Assembly in Tuam attended by Catherine Wiley suggested Grandparents Pilgrimage as a means of affirming grandparents and encouraging them to embrace their vocation of passing on the Faith.

2006

Requested Pope Benedict XVI to write a Universal Prayer for Grandparents

2007

Inaugural Knock Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock. Led by Archbishop Michael Neary, CGA Patron, with 5,000 grandparents.



2007

Apostolic Papal Blessing received from Pope Benedict XVI

2007

First National Children's Prayer Appeal. Children wrote prayers for their grandparents. 6,000 of these prayers are kept in the Knock Museum.

2007

Grandparents Day in Schools introduced in Ireland.

2007

Visited Pontifical Council for the Family in Rome to explain the mission and workings of the CGA

2008

Received the Universal Prayer for Grandparents composed by Pope Benedict XVI at our request, now translated into all major languages including Braille.

2008


More than 10,000 attended the 2nd Knock Grandparents Pilgrimage. Father Liam Lawton wrote a song for Grandparents – 'Let Every Generation.'





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2008	Invited to attend Pontifical Council for the Family Full Plenary Session in the Vatican, entitled 'Grandparents Witness and Testimony in the Family', by Cardinal Trujillo	
2009	The Catholic Grandparents Association is officially launched at the 3rd National Grandparents Pilgrimage in Knock by Cardinal Seán Brady. From left: Monsignor Joe Quinn, Catherine Wiley, cardinal Sean Brady and Fr. Richard Gibbons.	
2009	Presented the Pope's Universal Prayer in Spanish in Mexico at the 6th World Family Congress. Distributed 40,000 copies in Spanish and in English at the congress	
2009	Inaugural Grandparents Pilgrimage America in Palm Beach, Florida on 26th September with Bishop Barbarito and Dana. Catherine Wiley, Bishop Barbarito and Dana Rosemary Scallon	
2009	Inaugural German Grandparents Pilgrimage at Our Lady's Shrine, Schoentschatt, Germany.	
2010	11th February – Catherine Wiley spoke with Archbishop Tutu about the CGA and its mission to empower and enable Grandparents in Ireland and across the world. He said he was very impressed that Grandparents were being recognised in this way.	
2011	Inaugural Aylesford Grandparents Pilgrimage led by Bishop John Hine, Patron of the CGA in England and Wales (2011-2014)	
2011	Workshops held in Bristol and Brighton. Appointed to Eucharistic Adoration Sub-Committee of IEC2012. Addressed Legatos Dublin Conference and Novenas and churches across the country, opening several Branches of CGA.	
2011	Inaugural Scottish Grandparents Pilgrimage in Carfin, with Bishop Peter Moran.	
2011	Addressed the European Shrine Directors Conference in Walsingham, England	



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2011	Addressed the inaugural gathering of Grandparents in Brighton & Arundel Diocese, England	
2011	Addressed the New Evangelisation Conference in the Vatican at the invitation of Archbishop Fisichella.	
2011	First Grandparents Pilgrimage in Liverpool, England with Bishop Kelly	
2012	March Documentary with EWTN, 'My country my Faith'.	
2012	May: Catherine Wiley founder presented the work of the Catholic Grandparents Association at the 7th World Family Congress Meeting in Milan.	
2012	May – Meeting with Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston to explain the work and mission of the CGA	
2012	May – Meeting with Cardinal Pell of Sydney to explain the work and mission of the CGA. Australian contacts appointed.	
2012	Catherine Wiley founder Presented the work of the Catholic Grandparents Association at the International Eucharistic Congress in Dublin. 'Will our grandchildren be Catholics'	
2012	June Private Meeting with Cardinal Dolan of New York in Ireland to explain the work and the mission of the CGA	
2012	July – Inaugural Grandparents Pilgrimage in Malta	



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2012	<p>2012 September 10th – 14th Filming of mini-series “The Three Wise Women” in conjunction with the Catholic Grandparents Association for EWTN for worldwide transmission. Left to Right: Dana, Catherine Wiley and Kathy Synnott.</p>	
2012	<p>CGA established in Malta, the Philippines with Bishop Gilbert Garcia, the Solomon Island with Archbishop Adrian Smith, Durban, South Africa with Cardinal Napier, Massachusetts, America with Cardinal O’Malley</p>	
2012	<p>September 24th Attended meeting in Rome with the Pontifical Council for New Evangelisation to plan events for the Year of Faith</p>	
2012	<p>December Statutes for the Catholic Grandparents Association submitted to Archbishop Michael Neary, Patron of the CGA in Ireland</p>	
2012	<p>Pilgrimages in Knock in Ireland, Walsingham, Aylesford & Liverpool in England, Carfin in Scotland, Palm Beach in USA, Germany, Slovakia, Slovenia, Croatia, Malta, Gibraltar, Brittany, Fatima, Shrewsbury and Lourdes.</p>	
2013	<p>Meeting in Rome with Archbishop Fisichella of the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation to discuss the Pilgrimage to the Tomb of St. Peter on 17th/18th May to celebrate the Year of Faith.</p>	
2013	<p>January 11th Inaugural meeting of the Irish CGA Working Group</p>	
2013	<p>July - Meeting Capuchins, Father Lawrence and Father Noel in South Korea, had their first very successful Pilgrimage to honor and thank St. Joachim and St. Anne and all Grandparents.</p>	
2013	<p>July – Introduced the work of the CGA to Father Peter Milward SJ, in Japan, who also introduced Catherine to Archbishop Joseph Chennoth, the Papal Nuncio.</p>	



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2013	March Requested Scottish Bishops' Conference to appoint a Chaplain for the CGA in Scotland	
2013	April 24th Phil Butcher, Director – Commission for Justice and Social Responsibility Marriage and Family Life Diocesan Coordinator in the Diocese of Brentwood is appointed Director International Outreach.	
2013	April 26th Decree received from Archbishop Michael Neary giving recognition to the Statutes of the Catholic Grandparents Association	
2013	May Gathering of all the Lay Associations and Movements in the Catholic Church during which our Founder, Catherine Wiley met with Pope Francis	
2013	July 13th Grandparents Pilgrimage in Aylesford led by Bishop Emeritus John Hine	
2013	July Bishop William Murphy, Bishop of Kerry became Spiritual Advisor of the CGA	
2013	July 26th – 2nd Pilgrimage in Malta	
2013	July 26th – First Grandparents Pilgrimage and launch of the Catholic Grandparents Association in the Philippines led by Bishop Gilbert Garcia	
2013	July 28th – 11th Pilgrimage in Walsingham	
2013	August – Our Founder, Catherine Wiley visited Korea and Japan	
2013	August 18th – 3rd Pilgrimage at Carfin, Scotland led by Bishop Emeritus Joseph Devine	
2013	September 8th – 7th Grandparents Pilgrimage at Knock being attended by Archbishop Eamon Martin, Coadjutor Bishop of Armagh, Monsignor Carlos Simon Vazquez, Under Secretary to Archbishop Paglia of the Pontifical Council for the Family and his Assistant, Fr. Victor Ghio	



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2013

September 8th – Annual Grandparents Pilgrimage in Slovakia

2013

October – Celebrating the 5th Annual Grandparents Pilgrimage Mass, at Cathedral of Ignatius of Loyola, Palm Beach, Catherine Wiley with Bishop Barbarito, Cathy Loh Director of Marriage and Family Life Palm Beach. Pictured Catherine Wiley presenting the Statutes and Guidelines for The CGA.



2013

October 24th - Letter from Monsignor Gearoid Dullea - The Irish Episcopal Conference. The Commission had invited the CGA to engage with the national plan for faith development that is contained in Share the Good News. Work will be undertaken regarding policies and procedures for safeguarding children. To be regular contact by the CGA with the Council for Marriage and the Family.

2013

October 26th/27th - 1st Pilgrimage of Families to the Tomb of St. Peter with Pope Francis

Meeting at World Pilgrimage of Families October 2013.



2013

Nov 23 – Meeting with Timothy Cardinal Dolan’s staff at The Archdiocese of New York ‘Office of Family Life & Respect Life’ to discuss introduction and implementation of the CGA into the NY Archdiocese.

2013

Nov 24

Meeting with Bishop Nicholas DiMarzo to discuss the introduction and implementation of the CGA into the Diocese of Brooklyn.



2013

Nov 24 – TV interview by NETNY.net with Catherine Wiley.

2013

Nov 24 – Interview by the Brooklyn Diocesan newspaper, The Tablet, with Catherine Wiley.

2013

Nov 27 Discussions with Clare Bell, Director John Paul II Centre for Life for Bishop Barry to establish CGA in Christchurch, New Zealand.



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2013	Nov 24 – Sirius radio interview by Msgr. Jim Lisante with Catherine Wiley.
2013	Nov 25th - Cardinal Timothy Dolan Archbishop of New York endorsed the Catholic Grandparents Association. <i>'I commend your diligence and work in fostering this programme that strives to support grandparents in the spirit of St Joachim and St Anne... I endorse the Catholic grandparents Associations Mission of helping grandparents pass on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life'</i>
2013	<p>December 1st - Cardinal George Pell launched the Australian Chapter of the CGA on the first Sunday of Advent in Sydney at St Mary's Cathedral.</p> <p>Cardinal Pell was the celebrant and gave a homily, which described the genesis of the CGA. Add quote from Card Pell 'You who are Grandparents understand instinctively the great human, moral and spiritual challenges children face today in the world in which they are growing up.'</p>
	
2013	Dec 7th - Bishop Gilbert - CGA launch in the Diocese of Legazpi and Caceres in Philippines, In Legazpi there were 400 representatives from M&FL who attended our orientation and the launching of the CGA.
2014	Feb 9th - World Marriage Day St.Malachy's Church, 239 West 49th Street, New York, NY, 10019
2014	Feb 27th - Invited to meeting with Pontifical Council for the Family to discuss a forthcoming event in September, this year specifically for Grandparents and and the Elderly.
2014	Feb 18th - Planning for Eighth National Grandparents Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady of Knock on the 14th September. Archbishop Charles Brown, Papal Nuncio, will be our Chief Celebrant and Father Liam Lawton will be our Guest Singer
2014	Feb 16th - Annual Meeting for The Catholic Grandparents Association in Ireland.
2014	<p>March 17th –Matthew Kelly, Founder Dynamic Catholic meets Catherine Wiley, Founder of the CGA, in Palm Beach Florida.</p>
	



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2014

April 5th - Catholic Grandparents Association attend the 9th Divine Mercy Conference at Cardinal Spell High School, Bronx, New York. Catherine Wiley had the pleasure of meeting with featured speakers and the panel of Divine Mercy Experts and introduce the work of the CGA.



2014

April Divine Mercy Annual Convention Stockbridge April 26th – We were privileged to have met and have dinner at The Divine Mercy Conference Stockbridge.

2014

9th May– Launch of The Catholic Grandparents Association, England & Wales

Pictured Left to Right: Phil Butcher, Catherine Wiley, Cardinal Nichol, Bishop John Hine, Katherine Bergin, Elizabeth Davies



2014

May CGA Groups inaugurated in Gibraltar
May CGA Groups inaugurated in Spain
May CGA groups inaugurated in Dubai

2014

First Branch Meeting of the CGA in Walsingham with Bishop Alan Hopes of East Anglia

2014

Walsingham Pilgrimage 26th July 2014

St. John Paul II First Class Relic presented to the Catholic Grandparents Association by Monsignor Carlos Simon Vazquez Under-Secretary for the Pontifical Council for the Family in acknowledgement and recognition of the work of the CGA.

Supplementary Guidelines to Statutes presented to Msgr Carlos Simon.



2014

Aylesford Pilgrimage 2014 attended by Bishop Kieran Conry



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2014

September 14th, Knock. National Irish Pilgrimage attended by over 12,000 grandparents and grandchildren. Chief Celebrant, Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown.

Pictured – Archbishop Charles Brown receiving Copy of the Statutes and Guidelines of the CGA



2014

28th September Rome - The Blessing of Long Life with Pope Francis Tom Slater, Grandson of Catherine Wiley founder of the Catholic Grandparents Association gave testimony to Holy Father Pope Francis in the presence of Pope Emeritus Benedict in St Peters Square on September 28th 2014 for the first gathering for Grandparents and The Elderly.

Catherine also gave testimony and was able to thank Pope Benedict publicly for writing the Universal Prayer for Grandparents for the Association.



2014

18th October Grandparents Pilgrimage Palm Beach A Great Success.

Bishop Barbarito welcomed the establishment of The CGA in the Diocese of Palm Beach.



2014

19th November 2014 Catherine Wiley Founder of The Catholic Grandparents Association presenting the Statutes and Guidelines to BISHOP AGNELO RUFINO GRACIAS - AUXILIARY BISHOP OF BOMBAY, BISHOP DOMINIC SAVIO FERNANDES - AUXILIARY BISHOP OF BOMBAY





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2015

17th January - Scotland Launch of The CGA
On Saturday, 17th January, we had a visit from Mr Phil Butcher from the Catholic Grandparents Association. The Association is big in Ireland, England and the USA. It recognises the wonderful part Catholic grandparents nowadays play in the continuing faith formation of their grandchildren (and even children). About forty people from the diocese came to hear Phil and to experience something of the fundamental ideas that underpin the Association.



2015

22nd - 24th January - The CGA attended the Conference of Associations organised to consider the Synod of Bishops, *Lineamenta*. 'The Pastoral Challenges facing the Family in the Context of Evangelisation'. Catholic Grandparents Association joined with almost 300 delegates from 82 of the national and international family movements and associations, from 26 countries on five continents. Invited by the Pontifical Council for the Family, the event was convened to consider our respective responses to the *Relatio Synodi*. CGA has been invited to the conference which will follow the Synod scheduled for Spring 2016.

2015

5th February - Bishop Alan Williams endorses Catholic grandparents Association (CGA) in Brentwood.

2015

Sunday February 22nd - Trim Church Gate Collection.
Despite biting winds and pouring rain, the Annual Church Gate Collection in Trim, a beautiful town about 30 miles north west of Dublin, went ahead as planned. The collection was attended by our Founder, Catherine Wiley, who was visiting the area. The collection, which was organised by Martin Daly.





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Sunday February 22nd - Navan - All Ireland Gathering.

Delegates from all across Ireland gathered in Navan, County Meath, Ireland, for the all Ireland Gathering on Sunday 22nd February 2015. About 40 people had made the journey to hear the latest developments in the CGA and also to share with each other the progress made in so many areas across Ireland.



2015

Catherine Wiley presenting the Statutes and Guidelines of The Catholic Grandparents Association to Archbishop Allen Vigneron, Detroit USA at The 10th Annual Divine Mercy Conference, Cardinal Spellman High School One Cardinal Spellman Place Bronx, New York 10466 United States





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2015

4th May The Catholic Grandparents Association Launch Boca Raton, Florida - With the encouragement and blessing from Bishop Barbarito, the CGA launched its first group in the Diocese of Palm Beach. The event, hosted by Fr Galvin, took place on the 4th May in The Ascension Church, Boca Raton. Working with the diocesan marriage and Family Life Team led by Kit Johansson, a lively and joyful celebration took place with all grandparents joining in prayer. The Blessing was given by Fr Koche. During the event, grandparents gave witness and testimony, generously sharing their experiences. Catherine Wiley gave a short address.



8th May - CGA Launch in Northampton
On Friday 8th May 2015, at the Parish Church of St Gregory the Great in Northampton, the Bishop of Northampton, the Rt. Reverend Peter Doyle, formally inaugurated the CGA in the Diocese of Northampton.



2015

Meeting of the National Core Group of the CGA in Dublin 8th June.
Pictured: David Quin, Catherine, Eanna Johnson.



2015

Walsingham Pilgrimage 26th July - The Rector, Mgr John Armitage, welcomed the 12th annual Grandparents Pilgrimage and Mass was celebrated by The Right Reverend Peter Doyle, Patron of The Catholic Grandparents Association in England. The Mass was con celebrated by Mgr Carlos Simon Vazquez, undersecretary of the Pontifical Council for the Family, and also the Rector of Knock, Fr Richard Gibbons. 'The Story of Walsingham' was performed by the local children to a packed audience and 2 standing ovations.





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2015

July 26th - CGA Groups from around the world were encouraged to celebrate the memorial day of St Joachim & St Anne. Reports were sent in from all over including Carlow Branch in Ireland, Dublin, Tuam Archdiocese, Crowley Texas, Guadalupe and Delray Florida.



2015

16th August - Scottish Pilgrimage - 16th of August saw the celebration of the 5th annual pilgrimage Mass in Scotland. The mass was beautifully celebrated by Bishop Joseph Toal Motherwell diocese and concelebrated Bishop Steven Robson of Dunkeld diocese.



2015

7-11th Sept Catherine spoke at Pontificio Collegio Irlanda in the Vatican 'Handing on the Faith Today'



2015

Knock 13th Sept 9th Annual Pilgrimage. Record numbers attended, new Basilica, Chief Celebrant Bp Leahy, Fr Liam Lawton's Choir, and final Solo 'Lady of Knock, sung by Dana. Plus, record number of childrens prayers received





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21 - 25th Sept WMOF 'Loving Through the Generations' - During the Philadelphia event, Mrs Wiley addressed the gathering on 'Loving through the generations: Grandparents and Great Grandparents' and received a standing ovation when she said:

"Grandparents are more than ever, a source of support in the faith and care of children... Grandparents offer stability for the family, especially as their faith becomes an anchor of strength for others. "Pope Francis recently insisted himself upon this unique importance of grandparents to help pass on the faith, and creating a Christian atmosphere in family homes.



2015

Saturday 3rd October - Deacon Ron Wylie is the first CGA Member to be ordained

The ordination mass was celebrated by Bishop Steven Robson and supported by a plethora of priests, deacons and altar servers.



2015

17th October - CWL AGM in Torquay. Jean Wells and her husband Deacon Ian represented the CGA

2015

24th October G/P Pilgrimage Florida

2015

November 7th - Rosemary Lavelle's 'Autumn Gathering in Dublin. CGA represented by Mary Cotter and Betty Murphy



2015

November 23rd - Catherine Wiley gave an address to the Parish Council in Wexford.





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2015	November 25th - CGA AGM in Knock. Catherine Wiley with Archbishop Neary and CGA Chaplains	
2016	January 19th - 21st - Jubilee of Mercy Conference for Those Engaged in Pilgrim Work. Catherine Wiley represented the CGA, and met with Our Holy Father Pope Francis - pictured Catherine Wiley, Monsignor John Armitage and Father Richard Gibbons.	
2016	February 8th - The Launch of the CGA in the Diocese of Portsmouth. Mass held in St John's Cathedral on 8th February with over 400 members of the CGA - pictured Catherine Wiley with Bishop Philip Egan	
2016	<u>July 26, 2016</u> , - the Feast Day of Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, the Annual OLW CGA Pilgrimage was held at Our Lady of Walsingham. We are extremely thankful to all the organizers and participants throughout the years who have made this annual event a success and something for entire families to look forward to each year. Monsignor John Armitage was Chief Celebrant. The Walsingham Story Play was performed to the delight of everyone present. It was a wonderful day of Faith and fun for all the Family	
2016	<u>August 2016</u> – Formed a U.S steering committee – aim to grow chapters and new membership in the U.S.	



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<p>2016</p>	<p><i>11th September 2016</i> - 10th Anniversary National Grandparents Pilgrimage in Knock with Chief Celebrant, Archbishop Michael Neary. Our Longest Married Couple, Myles and Frances McBride from Kerrykeel, County Donegal were presented with our Certificate celebrating their marriage of 70 years by Archbishop Michael Neary. There were over 8000 pilgrims in attendance and it was a wonderful day filled with grace and blessings</p>	
<p>2016</p>	<p><i>7th October 2016</i>– First Grandparents Pilgrimage in Texas at the Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham in Houston, Texas USA.</p>	
<p>2016</p>	<p><i>October 2016</i>, - Catherine travelled to Houston, Texas, US, to meet with CGA Chapter members from the Catholic Community of Prince of Peace and to visit the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham, Houston. A statue of Our Lady of Walsingham, UK, a gift from Monsignor John Armitage, was given to Bishop Lopes, Bishop of Our Lady of Walsingham, Houston. Our Lady of Walsingham, Houston, formerly Anglian, is a Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter. While in Houston, Catherine was also able to meet personally with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Bishop of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston and newly elected President of the USCCB (United States Council of Catholic Bishops). Catherine also presented Cardinal DiNardo with a statue of Our Lady of Walsingham. Cardinal DiNardo expressed gratitude for the visit and for our work in keeping “the faith alive in both our families and the church community”.</p>	
<p>2016</p>	<p><i>October 2016</i> – Philippine Initiative - Anak-Tnk's - for all the children under the care of the centres and homes for Street Children in the Philippines related to Pope Francis' visit in Manila.</p>	



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2016

November 2016 -Continuing our efforts worldwide, Catherine and two US CGA representatives travelled throughout the North-eastern US to meet with current and potential Chapter Leaders and members. The trip culminated with a visit to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Office for Life and Family. The fruit of that visit is the upcoming **first US Catholic Grandparents Conference in Philadelphia planned for August 26, 2017.**

Cardinal Kevin Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life in Rome along with **Archbishop Fisichella**, President of the New Evangelization, granted Catherine an appointment in Rome in **December of 2016**. Cardinal Farrell, was delighted to learn more about our Mission and our work worldwide and has since spoken of us frequently during his speeches. Catherine presented the Archbishop's with gifts of a statue of Our Lady of Knock, Irish Whiskey and our best wishes and prayers.



2017

In January 2017-**Grandparents Day Ireland** was again successfully held in every school in Ireland. The CGA provided materials, programs and support for the events. Catherine was also privileged to travel to Dublin for the **launch of the WMOF 2018**. Our efforts in the next year will include promoting and supporting the WMOF 2018 where we hope to have a serious presence of vibrant, courageous and dedicated Grandparents.



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2017

April 2017 - We gratefully report that in April the CGA held our **first CGA Retreat/Conference in Dublin**. Using the theme, Our Lady Undoer of Knots, a favorite of Pope Francis, and with the spiritual guidance and able help of Father Enda Brady, we were able to minister to and prayerfully support nearly 40 Grandparents who will take what they learned back to their families, friends, neighbors and fellow-parishioners, growing our Mission as natural evangelizers. A highlight was a visit and presentation from organizers of the WMOF, Monsignor Carlos Simon Vasquez, Undersecretary of the Dicastery for Laity Family and Life, Father Timothy Bartlett, Secretary General of the WMOF, Dr. Marco Brusati, Major Events Expert and Mrs. Anne Griffin, General Manager.

2017

May 2017 - Catherine, along with Father Enda Brady, Chaplain and coordinator for the CGA in Ireland, completed two interviews in Ballinasloe, Co Galway with EWTN's Father Joseph Mary.

2017

June 2017 – Deacon Ron Wiley appointed as Official Representative for the Catholic Grandparent's Association in Scotland.

Deacon Ron will be The CGA's 'Chaplain/ Coordinator' for Scotland and liaise between the diocese, parishes and the Catholic Grandparents Association.



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June 2017 – Following our Annual Meeting with Archbishop Michael Neary, Patron of the CGA, it is proposed –

1. That a date to be fixed by the church each year for persons who for whatever reason have postponed, deferred or not taken the sacrament of Confirmation/Communion.

We know that Parents/Grandparents everywhere would be truly delighted and greatly encouraged with the churches understanding and compassion for their plight and their need to keep their children and grandchildren close to God.

2. **Future sustainability of the CGA** – The suggestion and hope that it could be enveloped with the Diocesan Pastoral Council beginning in Tuam where the CGA was born, one of the fruits of the first plenary assembly. At this stage, this is the most important initiative for the CGA to ensure that we leave a legacy to help grandparents in their most sacred vocation to pass on the faith and keep prayer at the heart of the family. Please God if we manage to achieve this the rest of the country - the world, will follow our example. We promise you we will leave no stone unturned to help you achieve this.

2017

August 26th 2017 – In collaboration with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the First U.S. C.G.A. conference was held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. More than 150 Grandparents were in attendance. Catherine Wiley C.G.A. Founder and Jim and Joy Pinto from EWTN were the Keynote speakers.





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August 2017 - Catherine will begin a **series on EWTN called, “Passing on the Faith with Catherine Wiley”**. This series will follow the same format as the successful “Three Wise Women” with Dana Rosemary Scanlon and Kathy Sinnott.

We look forward to our annual Grandparents Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock Shrine, Co Mayo, Ireland on September 10th, 2017. This Pilgrimage continues to be one of the largest in the world. The amount of love and faith poured out on that day is not duplicated anywhere. We are grateful for our part in promoting this annual event.