

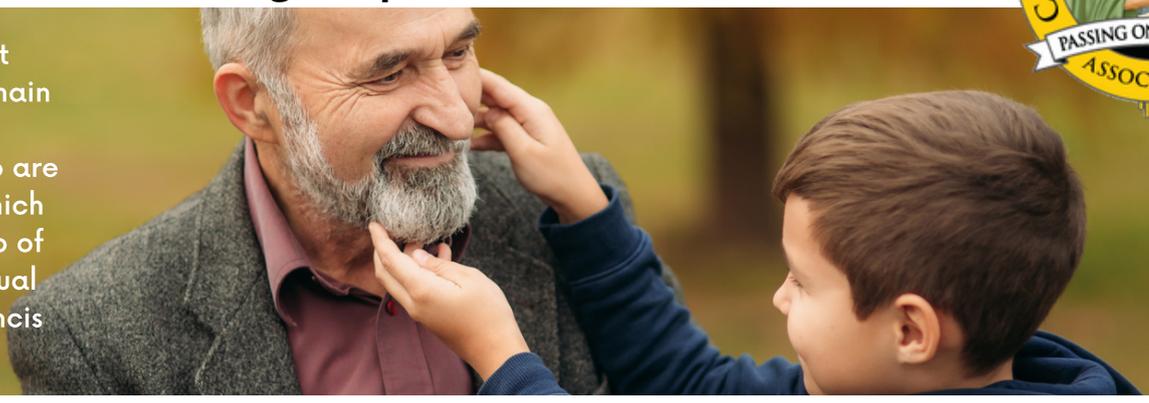
Catholic Grandparents Association

Ministry Resources - March 2022

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It is crucial that grandchildren remain close to their grandparents, who are like roots from which they draw the sap of human and spiritual values. - Pope Francis



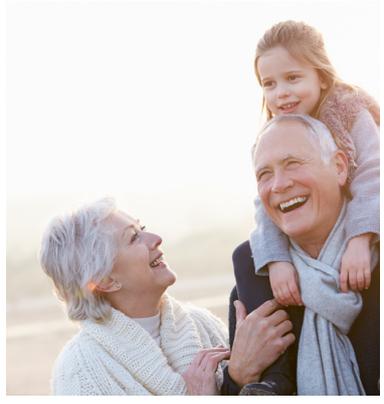
Welcome to the resource leaflet from the Catholic Grandparents Association. These are short snippets to resource you and your ministry group! Please do check out the resources section on our website for lots more materials and ideas: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.com.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2022 theme announced

Pope Francis has announced the theme for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly which will be celebrated this year on Sunday 24 July. The theme, which is taken from Psalms 92:15, is 'In old age they will still bear fruit'. Resources on the theme will be available once again from the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life as well as from the CGA. In the meantime please do let us know what you have planned for the event and we will profile them on our website. Our email is info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.



A discussion topic for March Ministry Meetings



Grandparents are a valuable resource in the family because they have so many stories and experiences from their own lives to share. Grandparents also offer a link to a child's cultural heritage and family history. Children understand more of who they are and where they come from through their connection with their grandparents. A discussion topic for ministry groups this month might be on the practicalities of developing a repository of faith stories in your group or in your parish. Might they be gathered in a memory book, an album, in video or audio format? Let us know how you get on.

Living Lent with your Grandchildren

Even the most organised parents and grandparents can miss out on the sacrificial beauty of Lent! Don't let your family calendar and daily life push Lent to the side. Catholic Family Crate is providing a Lenten series of Liturgical Art which you can use with your grandchildren to follow the flow of Lent. There are 10 hand-illustrated images with meditations, Scripture, and prayer which will help your family stay on track this Lenten season. The set includes support for: Ash Wednesday, Lent, St. Patrick, St. Joseph, The Annunciation of the Lord, Laetare Sunday, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. For more information see <https://catholicfamilycrate.com/collections/lent/products/lent-liturgical-art>



May Saints Joachim and Anne bless all families