

Passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life



#### My dear friends

We are delighted to welcome you to our November Newsletter supporting Grandparents in passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life.

In this special month dedicated to reflection and gratitude, we remember all our loved ones who have gone before us, who have loved us and done so much for us in so many ways.

May your hearts be filled with the warmth of family, faith, and cherished memories. Embrace the spirit of thanksgiving and continue to be pillars of love and wisdom in your family's journey.

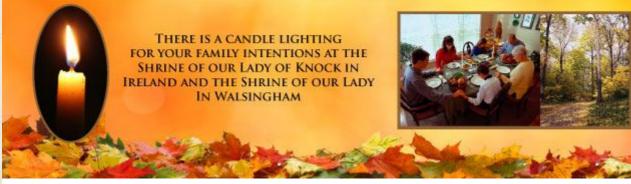
Please be kind enough to share this newsletter and to encourage new members to join.



With love and prayers **Catherine Wiley** Founder of The Catholic Grandparents Association

# HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM THE CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

'EVERYTHING GOD HAS CREATED IS GOOD, AND NO FOOD IS TO be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving. The word of God and prayer make it holy. ' 1 Tim 4:4.



### Pope's November prayer intention: For the Pope

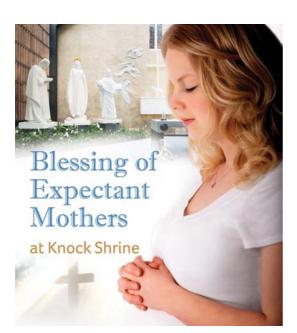
## Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for the month of November, asking the faithful to pray that the Lord will bless him.

#### **By Vatican News**

In "The Pope Video" for November, Pope Francis asks the faithful to "Pray to the Lord that He will bless me," saying, "Your prayer gives me strength and helps me to discern and to accompany the Church, listening to the Holy Spirit."

Read more..





The Blessing of expectant mothers ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 2nd in Knock Basilica at 11am.

# This beautiful event is organised by the Family Centre at Knock Shrine.

We welcome all expectant parents and their families to attend

#### https://www.knockshrine.ie/ble...

photo credit: Ireland's International Eucharistic & Marian Shrine



## A Brilliant gathering for our Faith Café on Catholics in the Modern Sexual Minefield

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Faith Café on 14th November, with our guest speaker David Quinn, who gave us an insightful and brilliant clarification on his talk, on

how we make it known to our Children and Grandchildren, Christian and moral views. We look forward to our next session on Tuesday 12th December details will

follow.

#### Book written by David Quinn

This book is a very different take on nearly a quarter of a century of tumultuous change in Irish society.

on Amazon: paperback- £8.00

#### Recommended by David Quinn at our Faith Cafe

Louise Perry, "The Case Against the Sexual Revolution" on Amazon: paperback- \$15.99 Kindle, \$16.00 Audiobook - \$5.95

# DAVID QUINN HOW WE KILLEP GOD



#### The Feast of St. Nicolas 🗌

The Feast of Saint Nicholas, celebrated on **December 6th,** honours Saint Nicholas, a Christian Saint known for his generosity and kindness. It is often marked by gift-giving and charitable acts in various cultures, especially in European countries.

#### SAVE THE DATE 🗌

Our next Faith Café Tuesday 12th December

**Guest Speaker:** Cardinal Wilfred Napier An exceptionally warm, compassionate and down-to-earth man with a ready sense of humour, Cardinal Napier is loved and respected by everyone who comes into contact with him.



## **Grandparents Meals in India**

As we launched our support in the November Faith Cafe providing nutritious food ONCE IN A DAY TO 50 poor grandparents, orphan children and abandoned women in two villages of Kuppam (25) and Kumilankuzhi (25) in Ariyalur district, Tamil Nadu, South India.

Your support is invaluable and makes a significant impact on Grandparents Meals, we appreciate your kindness and commitment to making a positive difference.

Please read more or kindly contribute









# GI VING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday - Please remember the CGA on 'Giving Tuesday' and as you make your end-of-year contributions. Your donation will help cover our running costs and ensure that the CGA can continue our Mission of helping to pass on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life.

GivingTuesday is a Movement that Unleashes the Power of Radical Generosity Around the World.

GivingTuesday reimagines a world built upon shared humanity and generosity.

Our global network collaborates year-round to inspire generosity around the world, with a common mission to build a world where generosity is part of everyday life.

Whether it's making someone smile, helping a neighbor or stranger out, showing up for an issue or people we care about, or giving some of what we have to those who need our help, every act of generosity counts, and everyone has something to give.

# Bambinelli Sunday - December 17th

For the past several decades, each year on Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, children (and adults) bring their Baby Jesus figures from the crib at their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope will bless both the people and the figurines during the Angelus.

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CGA Medal

Our exclusive medal is available to purchase online.



#### **CGA Holy Family Picture** This is a wonderful picture of the Holy Family which features Saint Joachim, Saint Anne, Mary, Joseph and Jesus.



CGA Christmas Decoration A Beautiful Christmas Decoration



#### CGA Christmas Card – Pack of 6

Wishing You a Happy and Holy Christmas

Please donate or make a bequest to help with CGA running costs - Thank you 🎔 养

"True happiness is not having something or in becoming someone; true happiness is being with the Lord and living for love." Pope Francis

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