Grandparents have incredible influence.

God is asking grandparents to continue to pass on the faith to their children's children.

"... make them known to your children and your children's children..."

Deuteronomy 4:9

Grandparents bring unconditional love, faith and wisdom through the window of life's experience which helps build a family heritage where children can flourish.

"We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done."

Psalm 78:4

"Grandparents are a treasure . . .
(They) have the strength to leave us a noble inheritance."

- Pope Francis



We want to communicate with you on the very latest resources, events, prayer opportunities and grandparent/ grandchild gatherings, just to name a few. Please sign up to get email updates by contacting Susanna at bolles@archspm.org or text Proclaiming to 84576

## Visit our web-page often at www.catholicgrandparenting.org

where you will find:

- The Catholic Grandparenting Parish Plan
- An Events section with updates for:
  - Hub Parish Regional gatherings
  - Workshops and Area Study Sessions
  - Grandparent Prayer opportunities
  - Grandparent/Grandchild gatherings
  - The Called & Gifted workshops
- Information on study programs such as the six week Grand Adventure
- Resources on the latest books, videos, games, etc. for passing on the faith to your grandchildren
- The Grandparent Prayer
- Bulletin announcements and much more!



The Gift of Being Grand

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## Mission Statement

The Catholic Grandparent Ministry invites grandparents to grow deeper in prayer for their children and grandchildren and to be authentic witnesses of Jesus. God's plan for grandparents calls them to help their families become disciples of Jesus Christ. The Catholic Grandparent Ministry strives to build a community of support and healing for grandparents, to encourage them to live holy lives, and to equip them with the tools to build up their families and parishes in Christ.

The Archdiocesan Catholic Grandparent Ministry provides many opportunities for prayer, support, encouragement, and tools needed to pass on the faith!

The Parish Plan is a step-by-step instructional on how to implement the Grandparent Ministry at your parish. It provides options for starting prayer groups and study groups, or establishing multiple groups.



Hub Parish Regional Gatherings provide an opportunity for grandparents to gather from all over the archdiocese in prayer, support and community. The meetings are three times a year (Spring, Summer & Fall) and will provide a presentation (with either a video or speaker) and an opportunity to share experiences with others.

**Workshops** equip grandparents with training, tools and resources for passing on the faith to grandchildren. A variety of workshops provide training for leading a small group study, growth in prayer, information on the latest resources to bring to grandchildren, and more.

Through the intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents, send us the graces we need to be authentic witnesses as disciples of Jesus so our children and grandchildren will come to know, love and serve you, Lord. We ask this in Jesus name. You will find updated information on the Events page of our website Amen www.catholicgrandparenting.org

## Grandparent Prayer

Heavenly Father, through the intercession of the Holy Family, grant to this local Church the many graces needed to foster, strengthen, and support faith-filled holy families.

We thank you for the mission of grandparenting. Help us live holy lives and equip us with the tools to build up our families and parishes. Grant us the wisdom, courage and love to be for each other a community of healing and support.