



Grandparents play an important role in the fabric of our lives.  
We asked our parishioners to tell us what it means to them  
to be grandparents.

We wish all the grandparents in our church family a very  
Happy Grandparents' Day!



## *What Being a Grandparent Means to Me*

To give and receive unconditional love from my two wonderful grandsons. – Dorothy Thestrup

An extension to the best days of my life when I had children. My precious grandchildren complete my life's desires. They are my heart.  
– Jean Burke

Being a grandparent is a chance to improve on my parenting. To correct all the mistakes I think I made when I was a working parent.  
– Victor Lewandowski

Being a grandparent makes my heart happy & sing... loving, sharing, & making memories with all 4...very blessed. – Ginny Lewandowski

Our 3 grandsons are special in our lives, our hearts...God Bless Us. – Love, Grandpa & Grandma Ferony

If I ever needed proof of God's generosity, I would just look at my 5 grandchildren. The gift of my son and daughter would have been enough, but God just couldn't stop giving. Being a grandparent means I am richly blessed. – Jude Pickel

I always tell them "Remember you are loved!" I am proud to be their "Grammy"! – Julia M. Plume

There is nothing like being a grandparent. The love of grandparents is a special kind of love. It gives warmth and affection without pressures from parents. – Joanne Amature

Unconditional love...Their laugh is intoxicating. Their love is endless and invigorating. They can make a bad day beautiful with a smile and a hug. Love my grandchildren always. – MaryAnn & Steve Arena

God has blessed me with 3 children, 4 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. – Joan Wheaton

Being a grandparent is wonderful. I enjoy my grandchildren so much. I should have had them first!!! – Caroline (Lya) Hosler

My heart melts with the hugs from my grandchildren. In their eyes I see the past and imagine the future, and I know that I am truly blessed. – Jane Wirth

Giving hugs and kisses...watching the grandkids do the same antics their parents did. – Wendy Ringhiser

Grandchildren remind us, every day can be "the best day ever." – Laura & Bill Holst

My four grandchildren are a most precious gift from God. They are a joy which fills my heart. – Marietta Alvarado

Being a grandparent has given me the opportunity to play with my grandchildren and be part of their day to day growth. A second chance, you might say, as I missed a lot of this time with my children because of work. I love them dearly. – Philip DeSalvo

When God blesses us with grandchildren, He also blesses us with an abundance of love in our hearts that is so profound that cannot be expressed in words. We love our grandchildren with an unconditional love and they give us unconditional love in return. – Maria Filiberto

Being a grandparent means the world to me. Being a part of my grandchildren's lives and building a relationship with them is a blessing. – Debbie Akalski

One of the best things that ever happened to me is being a grandma (Nonni)! I can relax, enjoy them, spoil, love, kiss them with NO parental responsibility! – Mary Estock

Being a grandparent means giving the gift of unconditional love to my grandchildren. – Jo-ellen May-Wadsworth

Being thankful to see my four granddaughters grow up to be successful women. I have been blessed with four wonderful great-grandchildren with another one due shortly. The wedding, next year, of another adds to the joy in my life. I'm so grateful to be around to see it all. – Marie DeVito