

Prayers of Intercession (Prayers of the Faithful)

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Four FREE and EASY Ways to Help the Caregivers in Your Parish

1. Add “and for their caregivers”:
 - when praying during Mass for members of the parish who are ill
 - when listing sick members’ names in the parish bulletin.
2. Add a link to www.YourAgingParent.com on your parish Web site (“Spirituality, Information and Resources for Catholic Caregivers”)
3. Include CatholicCaregiving.com Bulletin Briefs in your parish bulletin:
www.catholiccaregivers.com/bulletin_briefs.htm
4. Order free material for family caregivers from YourAgingParent.com:
www.youragingparent.com/order_form_110203.pdf

Sunday, December 4, Second Sunday of Advent

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

In thanksgiving for the caregivers in our parish who give comfort to their loved ones, we pray to the Lord.

Thursday, December 8, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

For family caregivers who, like Mary, have answered “yes” to God’s invitation to serve, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, December 11, Third Sunday of Advent

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

For those caring for a loved one who is brokenhearted because of the many changes and challenges in his or her life, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, December 18, Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

That caregivers, though at times their hearts are troubled and they are afraid, will know the presence of God as they go about their many caregiving duties, we pray to the Lord.

Thursday, December 25, Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25; Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14; Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 (15); Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

That caregivers and care-receivers may be richly blessed on this feast of love incarnate, we pray to the Lord.