

# FAMILY PRAYER SERVICE



**Directions:** Say the following to each other as a family, and then share the notes you write with each other.

**Parents, say to your children:**

[Children's names], you are an awesome child of God. I am sorry for the times when I was unkind with my words or in my actions. Please forgive me. I want to make our home a place of blessing, love, and peace. I promise to make every effort to treat you with respect and kindness. I will try hard to truly listen when you speak to me. I commit to always choosing the Good for you and for our family. I want our family to be a sign to the world of God's love for us.

**Children, say to your parents:**

*Note: For children too young to read, a parent may read aloud and children repeat after them.*

Mom/Dad, you are an awesome son and/or daughter of God. Thank you for giving me life. Thank you for introducing me deeply to the love of God and the Sacraments. I am sorry for the times when I have been disobedient or disrespectful. I promise to make every effort to speak to you with respect, and to obey you the first time you ask. I believe that you want the best for me. I will work very hard to always choose the Good you and God want for me. I want our family to be a place of love, blessing, and peace.

**Finally, pray all together:**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Thank you, Jesus, for the gift of our family. Help us to remember that we are all made in your image and likeness and deserve to be treated with respect. Send us the grace to live as your Holy Family lived. Help us to keep the commitments that we have made here today to always choose the Good that you desire for us. We ask this of you through Christ our Lord. Amen.