

Chapter 2 ***I Have a Family***

Children are a gift from the Lord. *Psalm 127:3*

To the Parents:

In chapter 2 your child learned the following:

- To tell how many members are in your family
- To name some good things family members do for one another
- To thank God for his or her family

In bringing children into the world and in caring for them, parents reflect God's work of creation. In praying together, families give thanks and praise to God for everything good that has come to them. In seeking and granting forgiveness, family members grow in a deep understanding of the love God has for each person. In caring for elderly parents, families exhibit compassion and commitment.

It is within families that persons can learn and develop moral values and a sense of commitment and responsibility. It is important that society and the local Church support families in their efforts to remain strong, faithful, and responsive to God's call.

With Your Child:

1. Name two ways you can help your family.
 - Something to say
 - Something to do
2. Talk about your week. What did your family do together? Plan something new to do next week.
3. Read together the story of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes on the Review and Explore page.