



Though we dedicate this particular Sunday in June to our fathers, I believe I speak for the masses when I say that our fathers deserve our celebration and our appreciation each and every day.

To our fathers, our grandfathers, our uncles, and all our paternal role models — we thank you for your love and support. We thank you for encouraging us to strive for excellence, for making us laugh, for being our shoulder to cry on, for offering us wisdom in the face of adversity, and for believing in us more than we could ever believe in ourselves.

We congratulate new fathers, and we pray that the Lord's spirit may dwell within their families. We grieve alongside those who have lost their fathers, and we extend our prayers and care for those who lack a father figure in their lives.

Though we cannot gather together this year to celebrate our fathers as a community, our appreciation and love remains unconditional. We extend to our fathers gratitude today and every day.

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