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The Third *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly* will be celebrated on Sunday, July 23. The theme chosen by the Holy Father is *"His mercy is from age to age"* (Lk 1:50), which expresses the link with *World Youth Day* which will take place a few days later in Lisbon (1-6 August 2023).

The WYD theme *"Mary arose and went withhaste"* (Lk 1:39) shows us, in fact, the young Mary who sets out to go and find her elderly cousin Elizabeth and who loudly proclaims, in the *Magnificat*, the strength of the alliance between young and old.

On the occasion of the *Day*, the Holy Father will preside over a Eucharistic liturgy in St. Peter's Basilica and invites parishes, dioceses, associations and ecclesial communities from all over the world to celebrate the *Day* in their own pastoral context.