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Even when I’d rather not!

Let my children see me praise You and love You

Even when life doesn’t go my way

Let them see me doing good works for others

Even when I’m tired or harried from worldly commitments

Let them see me go to Mass and receive communion

Even when the sermons are long and the hymns don’t move me

Let them see me admit when I’m wrong and ask forgiveness

Even though I want to justify my actions and nurse a grudge

Let them hear praise from me for ***who*** they are

rather than what they achieve

Even when worldly success is lauded over all else

Let them know that I love them unconditionally

Even when I need to make them accountable for their bad choices

Lord, I know I cannot be perfect parent

I know I will fall short of the loving person I want to be

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