



# Celebrating Dad

FATHER'S DAY June 20, 2021



## The changing face of fatherhood

The days of men "babysitting" their own children are a thing of the past. Today's fathers are more nurturing and more likely to contribute to child care and housework than ever before.

Starting when their kids are first born, modern dads are, in fact, more involved in rearing their children than their fathers and grandfathers were. As recently as the 1970s, it was rare for a man to be present when his child was born. Now it's uncommon for a dad to not be in the delivery room when his child comes into the world.

The trend of fathers playing active roles in their kids' lives continues throughout childhood, and today's fathers spend more time caring for their kids. One study found that fathers from 11 wealthy western countries spent about an hour a day on child care activities in 2012, but that dads in 1965 spent an average of just 16 minutes a day actively parenting.

Contemporary fathers are also more likely to contribute to household chores than previous generations were. On average, Canadian fathers do two-and-a-half hours of housework a day, compared to two hours a day in 1986.

One specific task in particular that men have embraced is preparing family meals. The amount of fathers who cook regularly has nearly doubled since 1986, rising from 29 to 59 per cent. a

When men take on a more active role in parenting, their kids benefit. Studies show that children with involved dads perform better academically, have higher self-esteem and are less likely to have troubles with the law later in life..



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## Father's Day: a well-established tradition

Even though Father's Day is a more recent innovation, it is now celebrated with as much pride and love as Mother's Day. Of course, there's nothing really surprising about the significance of this celebration in today's society, as fathers are playing an increasingly important role within the family in every imaginable way.

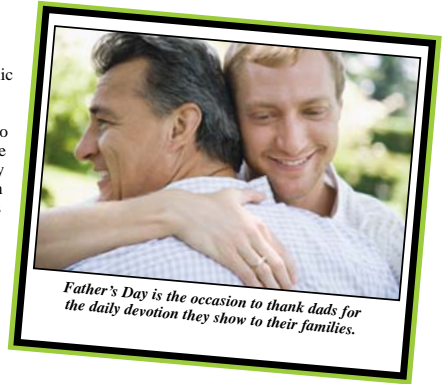
The idea of celebrating fatherhood originated in the United States at the beginning of the twentieth century, before President Calvin Coolidge supported the idea of a national Father's Day in 1924. Then, in 1966, President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day.

Fathers are now honoured on every continent around the world, but the date of the celebrations can differ from one place to another. Some countries, such as Italy, Portugal, and Spain, celebrate

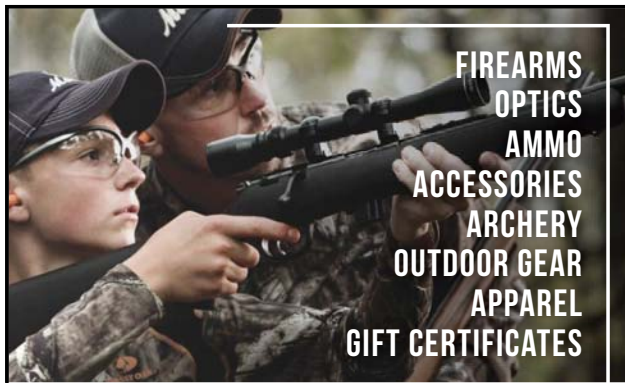
the event on March 19, which is also when the Catholic church celebrates St-Joseph's feast day.

The type of festivities also varies from country to country. Here in North America it is celebrated like a birthday, with Dad often being given little treats by Mum and the children in a private, family setting. In Germany some regions celebrate Männertag (men's day) or Herrentag (gentlemen's day), during which men leave on a hiking tour, pulling small wagons filled with alcohol and food in order to make merry.

However Father's Day is celebrated, the principal remains the same: it is a time to thank all dads for the love they show their families.



*Father's Day is the occasion to thank dads for the daily devotion they show to their families.*

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My dad's name is Ross John Easton. He works at Easton's Autobody. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is ribs. His favourite thing to do is work and spend time together. My dad is very good at fixing cars. He likes to wear t-shirts, sweat pants or jeans. He likes to cook on the barbecue. He always says "clean your room." A special memory of my dad is when we went on a cruise and he dressed like a pirate. I love my dad because he's my dad. He is the best dad because he cooks, cleans, he cares for me, he makes us lots of money for our house and our cars. He is my dad.

*by Aubree*

My dad's name is Dennis De Jesus. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is anything with rice. His favourite thing to do is garden in his mini farm. My dad is very good at cooking. He likes to wear shorts. He likes to cook Filipino food. He always says clean up mom is coming home. A special memory of my dad is going to Tinker Town. I love my dad because he has a big smile. He is the best dad because I love him.

*xoxo Jaeden*

My dad's name is Josh Denny.

He works at a pipeline. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is pizza. His favourite thing to do is play football with me. My dad is very good at sports. He likes to wear hats, jeans and t-shirts. He likes to cook pizza. He always says cool. A special memory of my dad is dirt biking. I love my dad because he's a good dad. He is the best dad because he is nice.

*by Liam*

My dad's name is Tyler Jones. He works at John Deere. His favourite colour is gold and black. His favourite food is sausage and perogies. His favourite thing to do is play hockey and baseball. My dad is very good at hockey. He likes to wear clothes. He likes to cook tacos. He always says lets go Oilers! A special memory of my dad is playing hockey. I love my dad because he is nice. He is the best dad because he plays sports.

*Love Connor*

My dad's name is Justin Daryl Fingas. He works as Highway Patrol. His favourite colour is green. His favourite food is ribs and steak. His favourite thing to do is golf and watch hockey.

My dad is very good at hockey. He likes to wear shorts and t-shirts. He like to cook ribs. He always says maybe. A special memory of my dad is going on vacation. I love my dad because he is the best. He is the best dad because he is really nice.

*by Camryn*

My dad's name is Jared McTavish. He works at the farm. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is pizza. His favourite thing to do is go on the trail rides with me. My dad is very good at farming. He likes to wear jeans. He likes to cook roast beef. He always says you're a good boy. A special memory of my dad is when we were in St. Lazare and got stuck. I love my dad because he takes me on trail rides. He is the best dad because he takes me on trail rides.

*From Hayden*

My dad's name is Mike Miller/Dad. He works at HCC. His favourite colour is blue or orange. His favourite food is homemade pizza. His favourite thing to do is hang out with his family. My dad is very good at building. He likes to wear jeans, sweat pants, t-shirts and sweaters. He likes to cook grilled cheese and

soup. He always says yes. A special memory of my dad is when we were building a bed and I almost dropped it. I love my dad because he is loving, caring, epic, cool and loves me. He is the best dad because he takes care of me, builds with me and loves me. He is my bff. We have a secret hand shake even.

*Love Hadley xoxoxoxo ♥*

My dad's name is Nathan Ryan Bromm. He works at Rocanville School as a principal and on STF. His favourite colours are yellow and blue. His favourite food is chocolate fudge cake. His favourite thing to do is spend time outside with me to build things. My dad is very good at school and building. He likes to wear formal out, hobo in. He likes to cook bread. He always says clean your room. A special memory of my dad is first sleep on the couch. I love my dad because he is awesome, smart, kind, handsome, loving and generous. He is the best dad because I love him.

*Love Megs*

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My dad's name is Kristjan Hebert. He works at Hebert Grain Ventures. His favourite colour is black. His favourite food is meat. His favourite thing to do is take me seeding. My dad is very good at math. He likes to wear suits. He likes to cook something on the bbq. He always says dang it. A special memory of my dad is when we went to Disneyland. I love my dad because he loves to take me to hockey games. He is the best dad because he loves me my sister and my mom. He makes money for us and he loves hockey.

by Bentley

My dad's name is Chris Gessell. He works at the pipeline. His favourite colour is green.

His favourite food is steak. His favourite thing to do is play with me. My dad is very good at catching. He likes to wear t-shirts, shorts, flip-flops and a hat. He likes to cook pork chops. He always says deadly. A special memory of my dad is me buying him a note saying best dad ever. I love my dad because we hang out a lot. He is the best dad because we play catch a lot, go outside and build forts. That's why I love my dad.

by Damien

My dad's name is Robert Charles Stevens. He works at the RM of Moosomin Country Roads. His favourite colours are black, grey

and white. His favourite food is ribs and hamburgers. His favourite thing to do is work with cattle. My dad is very good at being a dad and being tough. He likes to wear boots, cowboy shirts and jeans. He likes to cook hot dogs and hamburgers. He always says Jorja good job. A special memory of my dad is when we go to rodeos. I love my dad because he's funny, a cowboy and the best at being brave. He is the best dad because he is tough. He's got 50 stitches in his life and is only 40 years old.

by Jorja

My dad's name is Mike.

He works at Rocanville School. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is tacos. His favourite thing to do is play with me. My dad is very good at hockey. He likes to wear whatever he wants. He likes to cook tacos. He always say "Maybe in a bit, no or yes." A special memory of my dad is when I made breakfast for him last year. I love my dad because he plays with me. He is the best dad because he keeps me safe.

Love Lucas

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My dad's name is Ty. He works at Roofing and Concrete. His favourite colour is red. His favourite food is steak. His favourite thing to do is golf. My dad is very good at golf and baseball and roofing. He likes to wear shorts. He likes to cook tacos. He always says Syllis put your coat on. A special memory of my dad is when we went to Brandon and we went to the gaming store and we got a lot of games and then we played them together. I love my dad because we have lots of movie nights together and we go to fun places like the pool. He is the best dad because he makes money for our family.

by Syllis

My dad's name is Shawn. He works at pipelines blue. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is steak. His favourite thing to do is golf. My dad is very good at hunting. He likes to wear t-shirts and shorts. He likes to cook tacos. He always says I love you and kiss me. A special memory of my dad is him surprising me when he comes home. I love my dad because he is special to me. He is the best dad because he loves me and I love him.

by ♥ Bree

My dad's name is Brad Dean Payette. He works at Graham's Tire.

His favourite colours are black, grey and blue. His favourite food is Chinese food, steak and ribs. His favourite thing to do is play catch with me in the backyard. My dad is very good at hockey and baseball. He likes to wear black t-shirts and blue jeans. He likes to cook noodles. He always says angels watch over you. A special memory of my dad is when me, my sister and him had a good time building a cat condo for our cats outside. I love my dad because he is funny, kind, generous, handsome and the best dad in the world. He is the best dad because he comes on trips with us every year. He takes care of me. He loves me. He is kind, giving, never going to leave me if I need him and last but not least the best dad ever.

xoxoxoxo Surrie

My dad's name is Lance. He works at JJ Trucking. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is spaghetti. His favourite thing to do is nap. My dad is very good at making me laugh, and sleeping. He likes to wear his pajamas. He likes to cook pizza. He always says I love you munchkin! A special memory of my dad is when we used to have special movie nights together and cuddle up with Zoey and Lexi. I love my dad because he's sweet and

really, really handsome and he got me kitties and my puppy. He is the best dad because he will love me forever and ever.

by Addison

My dad's name is Kurtis Dean Russell. He works at Bradley's. His favourite colour is blue. His favourite food is Chinese food. His favourite thing to do is play catch in the backyard with me. My dad is very good at hockey. He likes to wear a blue t-shirt and jeans. He likes to cook perogies and sausages. He always says get some. A special memory of my dad is when we went hunting and saw 16 deer in the tree house at the quarter. I love my dad because he cares about me and loves me and he is amazing. He is the best dad because he is funny, smart, cool, handsome, loving, talented, caring, awesome and he does so much for us. He is so kind and understanding. I love him. He does fun things. My dad is the best dad in the universe!

Love Claire

My dad's name is Benjie Rayray. He works at a pig farm. His favourite colour is red. His favourite food is pasta. His favourite thing to do is play with me. My dad is very good at planting. He likes to wear formal clothes. He likes to cook chicken. He always says come on let's play. A special memory of my dad is going to the fair in the Philippines when I was four. I love my dad because he's the best dad in the world.

He is the best dad because he plays with me.

by Heintzein

My dad's name is Richard David Sykes. He works at Tutthill's Construction. His favourite colour is orange. His favourite food is burritos. His favourite thing to do is play sports with me. My dad is very good at cooking hamburgers. He likes to wear a sweater and t-shirt. He likes to cook hamburgers. He always says go clean your room. A special memory of my dad is playing baseball. I love my dad because he is the best dad ever. He is the best dad because he loves me.

by Hunter

My dad's name is Blair Doane. He works at Sask Power. His favourite colours are red and blue. His favourite food is meat and salad. His favourite thing to do is have fun. My dad is very good at baseball. He likes to wear t-shirts. He likes to cook everything easy. He always says try again. A special memory of my dad is when I got to go to work with him. I love my dad because he loves me! He is the best dad because he takes care of me!

by Blayke

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