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## **Bulletin Announcements for October 2017**

Included in this mailing, please find the bulletin announcements and fliers for the **month of October**. Please consider adding any announcements to your bulletin that your parishioners may be interested.

If your parish has Pro-Life and Family Life events you want other parishes to know about, please submit them to Keri Carroll by e-mail. We will be in contact with you regarding your request. You may also contact Keri if there are any fliers and brochures listed below that you would like printed and mailed to you. Keri can be reached at (317)-236-1521 [kcarroll@archindy.org](mailto:kcarroll@archindy.org)

A PDF version of the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life announcements are online at [www.archindy.org/plfl/BulletinsAndNewsletters.html](http://www.archindy.org/plfl/BulletinsAndNewsletters.html)

### **Announcements for any or all weekends for the month of October**

- Birthline - **New**(*this changes periodically please be sure you are running the current announcement*)
- Respect Life Sunday - <http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-respect-life-sunday.html>
- Life Chain – Indianapolis - <http://rtlindy.org/building-a-pro-life-city/life-chain/>
- Knights of Columbus – Biking for Babies - <https://blogginglife.wixsite.com/biking4babies>
- Being and Belonging Retreat – [www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce](http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce)
- Grieving Your Way into Life Again – [www.archindy.org/fatima](http://www.archindy.org/fatima)
- Annulments: What the Catholic Church Teaches - <http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce.html>
- Correction Ministry Conference – [www.archindy.org/prisionministry](http://www.archindy.org/prisionministry)
- Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends - [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)
- Knight of Columbus Trip – March for Life
- Holiday Divorce Support Sessions - <http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce.html>

### ***Announcements listed every week until the event is over.***

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of September 30 – October 1**

- Women’s Care Center First Friday Mass
- Traveling “Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil” – Terre Haute & Bloomington

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of October 7 - 8**

- Hope & Healing Survivors of Suicide Monthly Support Group – Indianapolis

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of October 14 – 15**

- Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute
- Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil – Indianapolis

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of October 21 – 22**

- Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of October 28 - 29**

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- Traveling “Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil” – Terre Haute & Bloomington

**Word of Life Bulletin Series and Intercessions from USCCB – September**

**English:** <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Word-of-Life-2017-09.pdf>

**Spanish:** <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Palabra-de-Vida-2017-09.pdf>

Thank you!

*Staff of the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life*

# For Any or All Weekends in October

## Birthline—Volunteers Needed

*Birthline is a program of the Office of the Pro-Life and Family Life which provides Baby layettes for needy families.* School has started; schedules are established! Do you have a few hours a month to help with a tremendous ministry? Become a **Volunteer for Birthline** – either at the Catholic Center or in your own home. For more information please contact Jena Hartman at (317) 236-1433 or [jhartman@archindy.org](mailto:jhartman@archindy.org).

## September 27 – November 5: 40 Days for Life – Indianapolis Fall Campaign

40 Days for Life will run September 27th - November 5th. The peaceful, prayerful vigil will be held from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Monday - Saturday and noon – 7:00 pm on Sunday outside the Planned Parenthood at 8590 Georgetown Road. Join pro-lifers from across central Indiana in praying to change hearts and save lives. For more information or to sign up to participate visit [www.40daysindy.org](http://www.40daysindy.org)

The 40 Days Fall campaign will **Kick-off** on Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30pm at St. John the Evangelist, 126 W. Georgia Street. Father Rick Nagel will be our keynote speaker. Join us for an evening of prayer and music to kick-off 40 Days of changing hearts and saving lives.

Mark the **Midpoint** of the 40 Days of Life campaign with a day of prayer, fast, and sacrifice on Monday, October 16th. Visit [www.40daysindy.org](http://www.40daysindy.org) for more information and to register your participation in the Day of Prayer and Fasting.

Join us on Sunday, November 5th at 5pm at St. John the Evangelist, 126 W. Georgia Street. Ryan Bomberger will be the keynote speaker. Ryan is the Emmy Award Winner, founder of the Radiance Foundation. Conceived in rape, Ryan's biological mother courageously gave him a chance to live and the gift of adoption. Ryan was adopted, loved, and has flourished. His life defies the myth of the 'unwanted' child.

A printable brochure is available at [www.archindy.org/plfl/UpcomingEventsDetails](http://www.archindy.org/plfl/UpcomingEventsDetails).

## October 1, 2017: Respect Life Mass

Each year, the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life honors an adult or married couple and a high school student at the Annual Respect Life Sunday Mass on **October 1, 2017 at 10:30 am** at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral. An adult or married couple who will be recognized for their leadership in promoting the dignity and sanctity of human life in the parish community and the Archdiocese will be awarded the **Archbishop O'Meara Respect Life Award**, and a high school student who demonstrates leadership in promoting the dignity and sanctity of human life in the parish, community, school community in the Archdiocese will be awarded the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Youth Award**.

## Save the Date: October 1, 2017, - Life Chain – Indianapolis

The Central Indiana Life Chain Committee and volunteers would like to invite you and your church family to be a part of National Life Chain Sunday. Please join us for ONE HOUR of prayer and be counted as one of thousands to stand up for the unborn in prayer before our Lord. Join others on Meridian Street in downtown Indianapolis for one hour of silent prayer.

Life Chain of Indianapolis walk will be on October 1, 2017 from 2:30 – 3:30 and will start on 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis.

Parking will be available at the Knight of Columbus 1305 N. Delaware St. Indianapolis, IN 46202. If you are interested in participating in the walk please contact Angela Walker at (317) 698-0461 or

<http://rtlindy.org/building-a-pro-life-city/life-chain/>.

## October 6-8, 2017: Being and Belonging Retreat

**“Being and Belonging...A Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics”** will take place October 6 – 8<sup>th</sup> at **Fatima Retreat House**, 5353 E. 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. This retreat is open to all faiths. Retreatants are invited to relax as they journey with others, listening to their stories and exploring a common loss. The program will help deepen an understanding of the healing process, increase a sense of belonging, and help participants discover and affirm that God is with them in their struggles and hope. For additional information please contact The Pro-Life Family Life Office at 317-236-1586, or email [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org). To register, call Fatima at 317-545-7681.

## October 6-8, 2017 – Knights of Columbus – Biking for Babies



The Mater Dei Knights of Columbus located in downtown Indianapolis will be hosting their annual "Biking for Babies" fundraiser benefiting the Gabriel Project coming up October 6-8. We will be riding across the state (Terre Haute - Richmond) over

3 days. Participants can ride all or a portion of the ride that they are comfortable with.

This will be our 4<sup>th</sup> year organizing the ride and we have raised over \$15,000 for the Gabriel Project ([www.goangels.org](http://www.goangels.org)) and their live-saving work. Below are links for more information about the ride.

Please consider joining us in prayer, with a donation, or on the ride! Contact Robert Newport for details: (317) 476-5793 or [ranewport@gmail.com](mailto:ranewport@gmail.com).

**Event website:** <https://blogginglife.wixsite.com/biking4babies>

**Fundraising website:** <https://www.youcaring.com/thegabrielproject-899704>

## October 25, 2017: Annulments: What the Catholic Church Teaches

A general information session regarding the annulment process will be held on Wednesday, October 25, 2017. This interactive meeting is designed to answer your questions. Presenters include Fr. Joseph Newton, Judicial Vicar, Joe Gehret, Advocate, and Judge Instructors Ann Tully and Nancy Thompson.

***Why is an annulment necessary? What are the grounds for an annulment? What are the procedures?***

The evening is hosted by the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Assembly Hall. There is no cost and registration is not required. For more information contact the Pro-Life and Family Life Office at (317) 236-1586 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1586 or E-mail: [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org).

## October 28, 2017 – Corrections: A Ministry of Hope & Salvation

The Prison Ministry of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis is hosting a conference - *Corrections: A Ministry of Hope & Salvation* on **October 28, 2017** from **9:00 am - 4:00 pm** at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church, 1306 27th Street, Columbus IN 47201. Persons currently involved with prison/jail ministry, and re-entry ministries and/or anyone interested will find this convening impactful and informative.

The day will begin with Welcome, Reflection and Mass with Fr. Clem Davis, St. Bartholomew and Fr. Jim Farrell, St. Pius X. Fr. Ron Cloutier, Director of Corrections Ministries of the Archdiocese of Galveston/Houston will speak on *Successful Re-entry Ministries*.

Presentations and networking with successful programs and ministries across the Archdiocese including: *Getting Ahead While Getting Out, Bridges to Life, Trusted Mentors, and Churches Embracing Offenders* will provide and enable you to explore to explore moving examples of the power of redemption.

Lunch will be provided. No fee for the conference, but a free will offering will be accepted. **Registration begins at 8:30 am with the program beginning promptly at 9:00 am.**

**For more information contact Lynne Weisenbach at (317) 592-4012**

**Registration:** [www.archindy.org/prisonministry](http://www.archindy.org/prisonministry)

## October 28-29, 2017: Grieving Your Way into Life Again

*Loneliness can be crushing and emotions may be overwhelming. One might be questioning where God is in all the pain?* Join us in taking steps towards leaving some of the pain of grief behind and move into healing under the gentle guidance of those well acquainted and trusted in grief work – Join Sr. Connie Kramer, SP, Marilyn Hess and Fr. Jim Farrell on October 28 – 29<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House (5353 East 56<sup>th</sup> St., Indianapolis, 46226) for a retreat that will offer you an opportunity to explore the grief that is part of your life at this time. Here you will be offered solace, a listening ear and the comforting light of Christ. For more information visit [www.archindy.org/fatima](http://www.archindy.org/fatima), or call (317) 545-7681.



## November 3-5, 2017: Worldwide Marriage Encounter

What is a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**? It is a positive, renewing experience for couples that have a good marriage, but want to make it even better! This is a time for you and your spouse to spend time together and learn about the tools to nourish your Sacrament in a new way. Consider attending on of the upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekends will take place on **November 3-5, 2017** (Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House). To learn more or apply to attend, visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).

**November 4, 2017: Marriage Workshop – St. Simon**



A Marriage Workshop will be presented at St. Simon the Apostle (8155 Oaklandon Road, Indianapolis, IN 46236) in the St. John Vianney meeting room on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Fee is \$25 per couple which includes book and materials. To Register: go to [Liturgyofmarriage.com](http://Liturgyofmarriage.com) or call (316) 502-7171.

**November 8 – December 20, 2017: Holiday Divorce Support – Divorce and Beyond**

St. Mark Catholic Church, 535 East Edgewood Avenue, Indianapolis 46227 will host a holiday session of Divorce and Beyond six Wednesday evenings 7:00-9:00 p.m. No session Thanksgiving week. *This Catholic based* peer-ministry support group explores the stress, anger, blame and guilt of divorce with the goal of leading participants toward ultimate forgiveness, happiness and growth. This support group offers all separated and divorced an opportunity to be with others who understand the challenges of facing holidays after divorce. All faiths are welcome. The cost of the six-week program is \$30, which includes materials. Scholarships are available. For more information or to register, please call 317-236-1586 or email [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org). Registration may also be done online <http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce.html>

# For the Weekend of September 30 – October 1

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<a href="#">40 Days for Life - Indy</a>	<a href="#">Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends</a>

## **October 6, 2017: Women’s Care Center First Friday Mass**

The Women's Care Center (4901 West 86th Street Indianapolis 46268) invites you to our First Friday Mass on **October 6, 2017** at 5:00 pm in our chapel. There will be light refreshments after Mass and the ability to take a tour and learn more about our mission. We are now serving over 30 women facing unplanned pregnancies many days, most of who benefit from multiple services, such as pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, and goals counseling. We are so grateful to be able to serve the women who walk through our door. If you have questions please contact Jenny Hubbard, Director, at (317) 509-9596. We hope to see you there!

## **October 7, 2017: Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil – Terre Haute & Bloomington**

The traveling Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil begins with participants joining the 7:30 am Mass at the Carmelite Monastery (59 Allendale, Terre Haute) on **October 7<sup>th</sup>**. At 8:45 am, participants will prayerfully carpool from St. Patrick Parish (1807 Poplar St., Terre Haute) and travel to Planned Parenthood (421 S. College Ave., Bloomington, IN). The prayer vigil will continue until 2:00 pm, and then the carpool will return to Terre Haute. For additional information, please contact Tom McBroom at (812) 841-0060 or [mcbroom.tom@gmail.com](mailto:mcbroom.tom@gmail.com).

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## **October 12, 2017: Hope and Healing Survivors of Suicide (SOS) Monthly Support Group**

On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, Hope and Healing, a support group for adults who have lost a loved one to suicide, struggle with thoughts suicide, or seek to understand the causes and prevention of suicide will meet at 7:00 pm. A children's support group, Spread Our Youthful Wings, for ages 9 years to 17 years old is held in the same location and same time as the Hope and Healing SOS Group. **For more information and location site**, please contact Judy Proctor at (317) 851-8344 or visit Hope & Healing SOS at [www.hopeandhealingsos.com](http://www.hopeandhealingsos.com).

## **For the Weekend of October 14 - 15, 2017**

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### **October 18, 2017: Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute**

On **October 18<sup>th</sup>** the 3rd Wednesday of the month, please consider joining the St. Joseph Pro-Life Ministry in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet (St. Joseph University, 113, S Fifth St., Terre Haute) at 4:30 pm prior to the 5:15 pm Respect Life Mass. For more information, contact the parish office at (812) 232-7011.

### **October 21, 2017: Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil – Indianapolis**

On **October 21<sup>st</sup>**, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, please join in the Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil. Participants attend 8:30 am Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church (3354 W. 30th St., Indianapolis, IN 46222). Following Mass, participants will prayerfully proceed to the nearby abortion facility and say the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. The devotions conclude between 10:30-10:45 am. Those who do not process to the facility may remain in the church to say the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. This event is sponsored by St. Michael's Parish. Please e-mail Peggy Geis at [peggygeis@att.net](mailto:peggygeis@att.net) for more information.

## **For the Weekend of October 21- 22, 2017**

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### **October 28, 2017: Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade –Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary**

Following the 10:00 am Mass at Holy Rosary Parish on Saturday, **October 28<sup>th</sup>** join us for the recitation of the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet as we witness and pray for the protection of Life, Religious Freedom and Holy Matrimony. For more information, contact Eric at [faithful.citizens2016@gmail.com](mailto:faithful.citizens2016@gmail.com).



# For the Weekend of October 28 - 29, 2017

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# WORD OF LIFE: SEPTEMBER 2017

## Intercessions for Life

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the times we call out to God in distress:

May we receive the grace to give thanks  
for the gift of life and to trust the promise  
of God's steadfast love;

*We pray to the Lord:*

**September 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the times we suffer in anguish:

May God comfort us with the knowledge  
that our life always has purpose  
and is always worth living;

*We pray to the Lord:*

**September 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the times we have taken

God's gift of life for granted:

May we seek forgiveness with confidence  
in God's faithful and merciful love;

*We pray to the Lord:*

**September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For all of Christ's disciples:

May we foster a culture of life  
and a civilization of love;

*We pray to the Lord:*

## WORD OF LIFE – September 2017

### Bulletin Briefs

*Recommended dates are provided, but you are welcome to use these quotes at any time. The QR code to the right of each quote can be used in bulletins, newsletters, etc. When scanned with a smartphone, the QR code will direct to the webpage where the referenced resource is located.*

#### September 3<sup>rd</sup>

“The sufferings caused by chronic or terminal illness ... cry out for our compassion, a word whose root meaning is to ‘suffer with’ another person. True compassion alleviates suffering while maintaining solidarity with those who suffer. It does not put lethal drugs in their hands and abandon them.”



USCCB, “To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Assisted Suicide,”  
© 2011, <https://goo.gl/BVQ3dE>.

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#### September 13<sup>th</sup>

“When people are tempted to see their own lives as diminished in value or meaning, they most need the love and assistance of others to assure them of their inherent worth.”



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#### September 17<sup>th</sup>

“The Church’s teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God’s love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world.”



USCCB, “Married Love and the Gift of Life,” © 2006, <https://goo.gl/eKhtav>.

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#### September 24<sup>th</sup>

“Only respect for life can be the foundation and guarantee of the most precious and essential goods of society, such as democracy and peace.”



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<https://goo.gl/8NoQ8N>.

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## WORD OF LIFE – September 2017

### Bulletin Art

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#### Sunday, September 3<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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IN THE NETHERLANDS, REQUESTS FOR “HASTENED DEATH” WERE WITHDRAWN BY **85%** OF PATIENTS WHEN THEIR SYMPTOMS WERE BETTER CONTROLLED.

Every Suicide is Tragic:  
[www.goo.gl/KEXpR9](http://www.goo.gl/KEXpR9)

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The image shows a man in a grey shirt kissing a woman on the forehead. She is lying in a hospital bed, wearing a blue patterned hospital gown. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

#### Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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OUR GOD IS FAITHFUL,  
AND HIS PLANS  
FOR US ARE  
GOOD.

Love, Sex, and Sterilization  
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The image features a teal background with white, hand-drawn style text. At the bottom right, there is a small circular logo with a cross and the text 'UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS' around it.

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# PALABRA DE VIDA: SEPTIEMBRE DE 2017

## Intercesiones por la Vida

### 3 de septiembre

Por las veces que clamamos a Dios en peligro:  
que recibamos la gracia de agradecer  
por el don de la vida y de confiar en la promesa  
del amor incondicional de Dios;  
*roguemos al Señor:*

**22° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

### 10 de septiembre

Por las veces que sufrimos en la angustia:  
que Dios nos consuele con el conocimiento  
de que nuestra vida siempre tiene sentido  
y siempre vale la pena ser vivida;  
*roguemos al Señor:*

**23° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

### 17 de septiembre

Por las veces que hemos dado  
por sentado el don de Dios de la vida:  
Que busquemos el perdón con confianza  
en el amor fiel y misericordioso de Dios;  
*roguemos al Señor:*

**24° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

### 24 de septiembre

Por todos los discípulos de Cristo:  
que fomentemos una cultura de la vida  
y una civilización del amor;  
*roguemos al Señor:*

**25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

## PALABRA DE VIDA: SEPTIEMBRE DE 2017

### Citas para boletines

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#### 3 de septiembre

“Los sufrimientos causados por enfermedades crónicas o terminales [...] claman por nuestra compasión, palabra cuya raíz significa ‘sufrir con’ otra persona. La verdadera compasión alivia el sufrimiento y mantiene solidaridad con quienes sufren. No pone drogas letales en sus manos ni los abandona a sus impulsos suicidas”.



USCCB, “Vivir dignamente cada día: Declaración acerca del suicidio asistido por un médico”, © 2011, <https://goo.gl/BVQ3dE>.

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PARA BAJAR: [inglés](#) / [español](#)

#### 13 de septiembre

“Cuando las personas sienten la tentación de ver sus vidas con menos valor o significado es cuando más necesitan el amor y la ayuda de otros para asegurar su valor inherente”.



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#### 17 de septiembre

“La doctrina de la Iglesia sobre la sexualidad marital es una invitación... a recibir el don del amor y el cuidado de Dios, y a permitir que este don nos dé forma y nos transforme, para que podamos compartir ese amor el uno con el otro y con el mundo.”



USCCB, “El Amor Matrimonial Y El Don De La Vida”, © 2006, <https://goo.gl/uiy9xc>.

[Pida](#)  
[Baje](#)

#### 24 de septiembre

“Sólo el respeto de la vida puede fundamentar y garantizar los bienes más preciosos y necesarios de la sociedad, como la democracia y la paz”.



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# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™



**Great Lakes Gabriel Project**  
sponsors 40 Days for Life, Indy

During the 40 Days for Life campaign some women scheduled for an abortion at Planned Parenthood see people praying nearby and believe that this is a sign that God wants them to reconsider their abortion. They sometimes approach the sidewalk counselors for help and are referred to **1st Choice for Women** or the **Great Lakes Gabriel Project**.

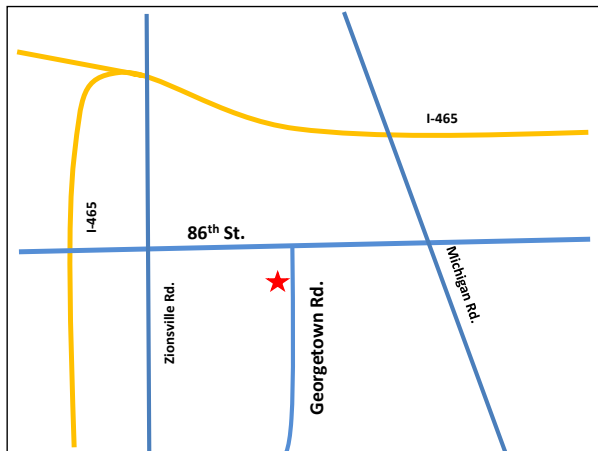
The **Great Lakes Gabriel Project** operates **1st Choice for Women** where services are FREE and include pregnancy tests, peer-counseling, ultrasounds and information about abortion and its alternatives. These services are available at a center located in the Polaris Building at 5455 West 86th Street and on its mobile unit serving central and south-central Indiana.

To learn more about **Great Lakes Gabriel Project**, its many activities, and how you can participate, please call (317) 213-4778 and visit:

[goangels.org](http://goangels.org)

The peaceful prayer vigil is held on the public right-of-ways at:

Planned Parenthood, 8590 Georgetown Road,



## Events

### Kick-off Rally



**with Father  
Rick Nagel**

**Pastor, St. John the  
Evangelist Catholic  
Church**

**Tuesday, September 26, 6:30pm**  
St. John the Evangelist, 126 W. Georgia St.

**Day of Prayer and Fasting**  
**Monday, October 16**

### Closing Event



**with Ryan  
Bomberger**

**Emmy Award Winner  
Founder of Radiance  
Foundation**

**Sunday, November 5, 5pm**  
St. John the Evangelist, 126 W. Georgia St.

To learn more and sign up for Vigil Times, go to

[40daysindy.org](http://40daysindy.org)

or call us at (317) 709-1502

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**  
**INDIANAPOLIS**



**Indianapolis Area  
Fall 2017 Campaign**  
**September 27 - November 5**

**Monday-Saturday 7AM-7PM**

**Sunday Noon-7PM**

**In front of Planned Parenthood  
8590 Georgetown Road**



Like us on Facebook:

**40 Days for Life Indianapolis**

Find us at: [40daysindy.org](http://40daysindy.org)



# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

**September 27    November 5**  
**Join the world-wide movement to  
 protect mothers and babies!**

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective – pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than half a million people worldwide.

**40 Days for Life features three components:**

**PRAYER AND FASTING :** On **October 16**, join Indianapolis area believers for a united day of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

**PEACEFUL VIGIL:** Shine a light on abortion in our community by peacefully praying in front of Planned Parenthood, 8590 Georgetown Road, Indianapolis, the busiest abortion center in Indiana.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH:** Promote grassroots education in our community by distributing information through our churches, neighborhoods, families and friends and by contacting our legislators and encouraging them to support laws to protect human life.

**Since the first 40 Days for Life campaign in 2007:**

**750,000** people in over 715 cities have joined to pray and fast for an end to abortion.

**18,000** churches have participated in 40 Days for Life campaigns.

**13,492** lives have been reported as spared from abortion – and those are just the ones we know about.

**167** abortion workers have quit their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry.

**95** abortion facilities have completely shut down following local 40 Days for Life campaigns.

Participants in the Indianapolis area prayer vigil include members of many churches, schools, and organizations. Below is a partial representative listing:

Archdiocese of Indianapolis,  
 Pro-Life and Family Life Office

Anderson  
 St. Ambrose  
 St. Mary

Beech Grove  
 Holy Name

Brownsburg  
 St. Malachy  
 Trinity Church

Carmel  
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Danville  
 Mary Queen of Peace

Fishers  
 St. John Vianney  
 St. Louis de Montfort

Greencastle  
 St. Paul the Apostle

Greenfield  
 St. Michael

Greenwood  
 Our Lady of the Greenwood  
 St. Paul the Apostle Evangelical Orthodox Church  
 Saints Francis and Clare

Indianapolis  
 Christ the King  
 Emmanuel Temple  
 Clearnote Church  
 Freedom Temple  
 Geist Chapel  
 Good Shepherd  
 Holy Rosary  
 Hope Community Christian Reformed Church  
 Immaculate Heart of Mary  
 Joy of All Who Sorrow  
 Orthodox Christian Church  
 Nativity  
 Pleasant View Baptist Church  
 St. Ann  
 St. Barnabas  
 St. Christopher  
 St. Gabriel  
 St. Joan of Arc  
 St. John the Evangelist  
 St. Jude  
 St. Lawrence  
 St. Luke the Evangelist  
 St. Mary  
 St. Michael  
 St. Monica  
 St. Patrick  
 St. Pius X  
 St. Roch  
 St. Simon the Apostle  
 St. Therese (Little Flower)  
 Saints Constantine and Elena Orthodox Church



Mooreville  
 St. Thomas More  
 Springhill Christian Center

Muncie  
 St. Mary

Noblesville  
 Our Lady of Grace

Plainfield  
 St. Susanna

Shelbyville  
 Blue Ridge Christian Union Church

Westfield  
 St. Maria Goretti

Whitestown  
 Traders Point Christian Church

Zionsville  
 St. Alphonsus Liguori  
 Zionsville Fellowship

Knights of Columbus Councils  
 Cicero Council  
 Father Louis Gootee  
 Our Lady of Fatima  
 Our Lady of Grace  
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
 St. Joseph, Lebanon

St. John Vianney  
 St. Louis de Montfort  
 St. Luke the Evangelist  
 St. Malachy  
 St. Monica  
 St. Simon the Apostle  
 Saints Francis and Clare  
 Santo Rosario

Schools and other Organizations  
 Bishop Chatard High School  
 Blessed Frederick Ozanam House  
 Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School  
 Butler Bulldogs for Life  
 Cardinal Ritter High School  
 Carmel High School Teens for Life  
 Cathedral High School  
 Catholic Radio Indy  
 Crossroads Bible College  
 Great Lakes Gabriel Project  
 Guerin Catholic High School  
 Heritage Builders Home Educators  
 JAGS for Life (IUPUI)  
 Little Sisters of the Poor  
 Lumen Christi School  
 Marian University  
 Right to Life of Indianapolis  
 Roncalli High School  
 St. Augustine Home  
 Scecina Memorial High School  
 Shield of Roses  
 Simon Brute Seminary





# Riding across the state for Moms and Babies!

## October 6-8, 2017

Knights of Columbus Mater Dei Council 437 (downtown Indianapolis) is organizing the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Biking for Babies state-wide bike ride (Terre Haute to Richmond along Route 40) as a pro-life fundraiser.

Proceeds benefit the local Gabriel Project, an organization helping mothers in need with materials including free ultrasounds, diapers, strollers, bills, etc as well as educational resources such as classes/discussions on parenting, chastity, and budgeting. To find out more about the Gabriel Project visit [www.goangels.org](http://www.goangels.org)

The ride will be October 6-8 (Fri-Sun), covering a total of 160 miles (45-65 miles/day). Those interested in contributing can do so online at:

[www.youcaring.org/kofcbikingforbabies](http://www.youcaring.org/kofcbikingforbabies)

Checks can be made out to the Knights of Columbus at 1305 N. Delaware St. Indianapolis, IN 46202





# Being & Belonging

## A Weekend Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics

(All Faiths Welcome)

OCTOBER 6 –8, 2017

OUR LADY OF FATIMA RETREAT HOUSE, 5353 E. 56TH STREET. INDIANAPOLIS, IN  
46226

**D**iscover anew that God is with you in your struggles and in your hope. This retreat offers a safe place to wrestle with feelings about divorce, and find ways to heal and grow.

Come be at peace in the knowledge of God's love for you. Experience the understanding that others offer. A team of men and women who have experienced divorce and are actively involved in divorce ministry will share their stories and how they found hope and healing. This weekend is designed to help you heal old wounds, find new joy, and develop friendships.

The team will be accompanied by **Fr. Jim Farrell**, pastor of St. Pius X Parish. Fr. Jim served over 15 years as chaplain to Separated, Divorced and Remarried Catholics (SDRC)

For more information contact the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life, (317) 236-1586 or email [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org) To **register** call Fatima at 317-545-7681.

Dietary and special need services are available.





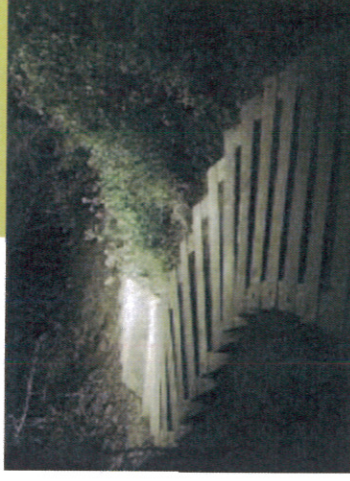
Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House is located on Indianapolis' northeast side just minutes from I-70 and I-465 (east), 15 minutes from downtown, a half an hour from the Indianapolis International Airport.

***Our Lady of Fatima  
Catholic Retreat House  
welcomes people of all faiths  
to come away and rest in God.  
We offer hospitality,  
a peaceful setting  
with a supportive environment  
for reflection,  
and programs for spiritual renewal.***

In addition to our programs Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House offers to her guests for their enrichment the following:

- a beautiful but simple chapel ever available to you inviting your prayer of presence and/or worship
- 13 acres of woods and ravines with trails to walk and gardens to explore--quiet places of wonderment, contemplation and discovery
- a full-dimensioned labyrinth situated in a beautifully gardened area
- Stations of the Cross outdoors along the trails offering benches for your reflection on both the aspects of the suffering of Christ and the gift of nature so beautifully present before you
- a lovely gift shop that is likely to be holding your next favorite cd or book
- a library / reading room for your enjoyment
- beautiful art scattered throughout Center
- a dedicated staff on duty to provide the spirit of hospitality Fatima Retreat is known for
- Rosary Walk and Prayer Garden

## ***Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House presents "Grieving Your Way into Life Again."***



### **Oct. 28-29, 2017**

Join us in taking steps towards leaving some of the pain of grief behind and move into healing under the gentle guidance of those well acquainted and trusted in grief work,

**Sr. Connie Kramer, SP  
Marilyn Hess  
and Fr. Jim Farrell**



**To Register:**

**Goto website:**

**[www.archindy.org/fatima](http://www.archindy.org/fatima)**

**or call 317-545-7681.**

5353 East 56th St., Indianapolis, IN 46226





Loneliness can be crushing and emotions may be overwhelming. One might be questioning where God is in all the pain?

This retreat will offer you an opportunity to explore the grief that is part of your life at this time. Here you will be offered solace, a listening ear and the comforting light of Christ.

The retreat is presented in a manner offering consolation, understanding and guidance through the process of your grief journey. You will not be traveling this path alone.

You can expect on this overnight program:

- Reflections on grief
- Sharing your story of loss
- Time for solitude
- Healing of memories
- Moving forward

What is for certain! God's grace will be at work here if you open your heart to the opportunity.



Check-in begins at 5:00 p.m., Saturday.  
Program begins at 6:00 p.m.  
Program concludes at 4:00 p.m.  
on Sunday.

Cost: \$99 per person;  
\$179 per married couple  
Price includes all meals, snacks,  
accommodations, materials and Liturgy.

## About the facilitator . . .

**Sr. Connie Kramer, SP** - Former Parish Life Coordinator, St. Ann Parish and former Director of both Saint Ann Community Outreach Services of Terre Haute and Saint Ann Dental Services. Sr. Connie entered the Congregation of The Sisters of Providence in 1964 and has served as a high school teacher, business officer, a religious education director, a parish pastoral associate and a parish life coordinator. Recently, Sr. Connie received Certification as a Grief Specialist from the Grief Recovery Institute in 2012 and Certification in Spiritual Direction from the Hesychia School of Spiritual Direction in 2013. She now serves as a Retreat Director, Spiritual Director and Grief Specialist within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, IN.

## Other presenters:

**Marilyn Hess**, a native of Indianapolis just retired from more than fifteen years as associate director of the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis where she coordinated outreach to the grieving and the separated and divorced. Frequently facilitating support groups and retreats Marilyn participated in the retreat herself a few years ago after her husband's death.

### Fr. Jim Farrell — Director of Our Lady of Fatima Retreat Center and Pastor of St. Pius X Parish

Since ordination in 1975 he has served in urban & inner city as well as suburban & small city parishes as Associate or Pastor in the Indianapolis Archdiocese. Shortly after ordination he began conducting retreats while continuing with parish life. His retreat work started with days of recollection & traditional preached retreats. Recently Fr. Jim has been doing parish missions & has preached diocesan priests' retreats & retreats for women & men religious. Unrelated to parish or retreat work he served as Dean of the New Albany Deanery and for 15 years served as chaplain to SDRC (Separated, Divorced & Remarried Catholics). His special interests in the spiritual life are various forms of prayer, forgiveness & healing, scripture & storytelling. The recorded series of guided meditations, "Pathways to Prayer," developed by Fr. Jim, are an outgrowth of his interest in prayer.

## Comments

### From past Grief retreat participants:

"It was very helpful as it was a wonderful springboard for me to enter into the pain of my grief, feel it, explore it, honor it and begin to heal from it."

"Working through my pain and anguish I have a better understanding of what I want to do in my life."

"I came into Fatima Friday evening my heart heavy, very nervous, not knowing anyone, painfully aware that I am not of the Catholic Faith (or any other faith at the moment) wondering if I should be there. I left Sunday afternoon feeling like I had lost 100 lbs., very happy and peaceful. I have made new friends and I feel I have a clearer direction in my life."

## To Register: Go to website:

[www.archindy.org/fatima](http://www.archindy.org/fatima)  
or call 317-545-7681.





## Ways to Serve

### Get Involved...Through Parish Outreach or as an Individual

- Serve in outreach to inmates at a local jail or prison (Masses, Bible study, RCIA)
- Pray for victims and inmates and their families
- Serve as a mentor or outreach to people who have been recently released from jail/prison
- Donate spiritual reading materials
- Financially support Corrections Ministry



## Vision & Mission

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is a Christ-centered Catholic community that upholds the dignity of every human touched by crime in order to practice mercy and foster hope and peace.

The **mission** of prison ministry is to create an environment of trust through a lens of Catholic social teaching by witnessing the Gospel to the incarcerated, formerly incarcerated and victims/families, through healing and mentoring processes.



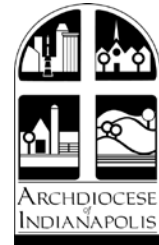
Lynne Weisenbach

Corrections Ministries Coordinator  
1400 Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46202

317-592-4012

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# Corrections Ministry



Archdiocese of  
Indianapolis

[www.archindy.org/prison](http://www.archindy.org/prison)



*The lower a man has fallen, the more he deserves to be assisted, raised up, cared for, and honored. We learn this from the Gospel. This is justice! Pope Paul VI Homily 1.1.1972*

Jesus said, *“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven” (Luke 6:37).*

God establishes a relationship between our willingness to give mercy to others and the mercy he gives to us. Prison/jail ministry provides a unique opportunity to provide forgiveness instead of judgment and condemnation.

Key Priority Areas:

- Extend pastoral care through effective ministry to those in prisons and jails.
- Provide ministry/support to persons leaving prison/jail in re-entry. Recidivism rates in Indiana vary, but are about 35%.
- Provide awareness and education in Catholic social justice as it relates to the criminal justice system

## Q&A

### Where do I start?

A great resource is the Archdiocese website which has a detailed listing of additional resources and opportunities:

[www.archindy.org/prison](http://www.archindy.org/prison)

Recommended reading:

*“Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration: A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice”* United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

### Our parish is interested in learning more. Where do we turn?

A list of contacts for prisons is on the Archdiocesan website above, and may be contacted directly.

Information about re-entry programs and contact information is also on the website. If you are interested in a speaker for your parish, contact the Coordinator of Corrections Ministry:

[lweisenbach@archindy.org](mailto:lweisenbach@archindy.org)





**A SPECIAL INVITATION**

The Central Indiana Life Chain Committee and volunteers would like to invite you and your church family to be a part of National Life Chain Sunday. Please join us for ONE HOUR of prayer and be counted as one of thousands to stand up for the unborn in prayer before our Lord.

Join hundreds of other churches as they gather on Meridian Street in downtown Indianapolis for ONE HOUR of SILENT prayer. Each prayerful participant will hold one of our signs, provided by Life Chain, with one of the following messages:

- Abortion Kills Children (Do you believe this?)
  - Abortion Hurts Women (Do you believe abortion exploits women?)
  - Adoption the Loving Option (Do you believe that God wants us all to be loved?)
  - Jesus Forgives and Heals (Has your life been affected by abortion?)
- If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then pick up a sign and join us on--

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017  
2:30-3:30 PM, "One Hour, Once a Year"  
MERIDIAN STREET  
DOWNTOWN INDIANAPOLIS**



I understand that no laws will be broken, no confrontations will be allowed, and that this is a peaceful, prayerful family event. I will stand with you for God and his preborn babies.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number attending with group: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please return this form to: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church Life Chain Contact: \_\_\_\_\_



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**+** **LIFE CHAIN**  
CENTRAL INDIANA  
2017

A National Interdenominational Prayer Gathering  
When: Sunday, October 1, 2017  
2:30-3:30 PM  
"ONE HOUR, ONCE A YEAR"  
Meridian and 38<sup>th</sup> Streets Downtown Indianapolis



**For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:13-14**

For more information, phone 317-913-1409 or email [centralindianalifechain@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianalifechain@gmail.com).  
We ask that you notify the Life Chain staff if you wish to participate so that a street assignment may be given to you.  
However, walk-ons are always welcome! The Life Chain is a non-for-profit 501.C3 organization formed by a coalition of  
Pro-Life churches and groups in and around the Central Indiana area.

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Dear Life Chain Contact,

**Thank you** for being an invaluable part of the Central Indiana Life Chain as your church's contact for this pro-life event, October 1. Without your efforts to build participation at your church, the Life Chain would not be the strong witness for Life that it is. Please assist us by doing the following things:

1. Give the enclosed "Dear Pastor" letter to your pastor as soon as possible.
2. "Masters" for a bulletin insert and small poster have been included in this packet to use for advertising as your pastor directs you. The bulletin insert could be used in the traditional way or as a "sign-up" sheet at a table promoting the Life Chain.
3. After you have determined approximately how many of your fellow members will be participating in the Life Chain, please RSVP that number as follows:
  - A) Catholic churches, RSVP to Angela Walker, (317) 698-0461.
  - B) All Hamilton County churches, both Catholic and Protestant, RSVP to Janet Smith, (317) 913-1409.
  - C) All other Protestant churches, RSVP to Larry Holbrook, (317) 919-1653.

{PLEASE NOTE: If you have participated in past Life Chains, your location along the Chain will remain the same unless you are notified. If you do not know your assignment, please contact Larry Holbrook at (317) 919-1653.}

**4. Ask your pastor to announce the Life Chain during or after services at least a week ahead of time.** Be certain your participants know your location along the Chain and **give each one a sign provided for you** at the Life Chain table nearest your assigned location.

5. T-shirts and Sweatshirts, a popular feature of the Chain, are available on an optional basis from the Life Chain Committee. **Orders are due by Friday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>** (See the enclosed order form for information.), and **pick-up will be Sept. 22 & 23**. The shirts are a wonderful witness for the unborn and help defray the costs of this event, necessary since Life Chain of Central Indiana is a non-profit 501.C3 organization comprised solely of volunteers.

6. On Sunday, October 1, have your group arrive early enough for the Chain to begin promptly at 2:30 p.m., and please remind them that we need to be aware of the following:
  - A) We are to **pray silently and reverently**; small talk is for before 2:30 and after 3:30 p.m.
  - B) We must not block driveways or stand on people's lawns.
  - C) Wherever possible, participants should stand at least 10 feet apart, fill gaps, and make the Chain as continuous as possible.

Thank you for providing such strong and valuable support for the Life Chain!

**ONE HOUR, ONCE A YEAR  
LIFE CHAIN: STANDING STEADFAST FOR THE UNBORN!**

Contact Information: (317) 913-1409; Email: [centralindianalifechain@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianalifechain@gmail.com)

# T-SHIRT ORDER FORM



**Verse on front of shirt reads: "UNDER CONSTRUCTION Work in Progress, God's Not Finished With Me Yet."**

**Verse on back of shirt reads: "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:13-14**

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**T-shirts are \$8.00 each (2XL and 3XL are \$10.00 each)  
Sweatshirts are also available in sizes \$15.00 (2XL and 3XL are \$18.00)**

NAME	YOUTH M (31)	ADULT SMALL (36)	ADULT MEDIUM (40)	ADULT LARGE (44)	ADULT XL (48)	ADULT 2XL (52)	ADULT 3XL	* TS * SS

\* TS Denotes T-shirt

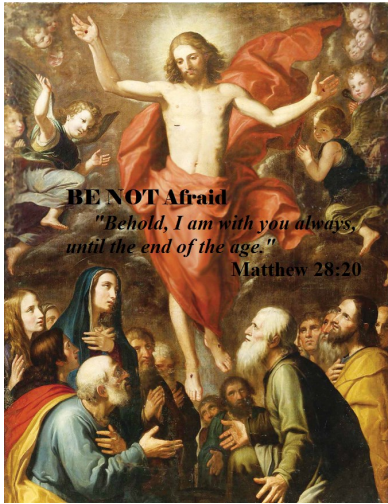
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**IMPORTANT: T-SHIRT ORDER DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>; LETTERS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>; CALLS OR EMAIL BY SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>. CALL (317) 882-0651 OR EMAIL [centralindianalifechain@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianalifechain@gmail.com). Make checks payable to Central Indiana Life Chain and mail to 7918 Rahke Rd Indianapolis, IN 46217. Please contact one of the following locales to arrange a pickup time to get your shirts.**

**North**  
8235 Los Robles Rd  
Fishers, IN 46038  
317-913-1409

**East**  
9635 Trilobi Dr.  
Indpls, IN 46236  
317-698-0461

**South/West**  
7918 Rahke Rd  
Indpls, IN 46217  
317-882-0651



*“Be Not Afraid...”*

**Respect Life Sunday**  
**October 1, 2017**  
**10:30 AM**

**SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral**  
**1347 North Meridian St.**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46202**

**Archdiocesan Mass with Award Presentations**

**Information about local Life Chains available at**

**[www.lifechain.net](http://www.lifechain.net)**

**Building a Culture of Life & Civilization of Love**

**[www.archindy.org/plfl](http://www.archindy.org/plfl)**

**E-mail: [sseibert@archindy.org](mailto:sseibert@archindy.org) or call (317) 236-1527 for more info**