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## **Bulletin Announcements for March 2017**

Included in this mailing, please find the bulletin announcements and fliers for the **month of March**. Please consider adding any announcements to your bulletin which 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 available online at

<http://www.archindy.org/plfl/BulletinsAndNewsletters.html>

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

- Birthline (*this changes periodically please be sure you are running the current announcement*)
- Project Rachel Retreat – [www.archindy.org/projectrachel](http://www.archindy.org/projectrachel)
  - *A note regarding Project Rachel Retreats: individuals who attend the retreat often need to see the retreat information numerous times over the course of several months before registering.*
  - Printable flier - <http://www.archindy.org/plfl/documents/Promo-flier2.pdf>
- Praying for Those in Need of Healing
- Divorce and Beyond Group
- 2017 Mission Day - [www.archindy.org/grief](http://www.archindy.org/grief)
- 40 Days for Life Campaigns – [www.40DaysForLife.com](http://www.40DaysForLife.com)
- Marriage Encounter Weekends - [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org)
- Retrouville Programs - [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

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

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of February 25 - 26**

- Women's Care Center First Friday Mass
- Traveling "Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil" – Terre Haute & Bloomington
- Know Your Fertility Intro March Session

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of March 4 - 5**

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

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of March 11 - 12**

- Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute
- Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil – Indianapolis
- Know Your Fertility Intro April Session

#### **Announcements specific for the Weekend of March 18 - 19**

- Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade

Announcements specific for the Weekend of **March 25 - 26**

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

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

- English: <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Word-of-Life-2017-03.pdf>
- Spanish: <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Word-of-Life-2017-03.pdf>

Thank you!

Staff of the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life

# For Any or All Weekends in March

## **Birthline—Volunteers Needed**

Birthline, a program of the Office of the Pro-Life and Family Life, continues to experience an increase of the number of families whom we assist. Volunteer for this vital ministry from your own home by becoming a Birthline telephone volunteer! All training will be provided. Potential volunteers must have computer knowledge and a computer. Please contact Jena Hartman at (317) 236-1433 or [jhartman@archindy.org](mailto:jhartman@archindy.org) to learn more about this important volunteer opportunity.

## **March 31-April 1: Project Rachel Retreat**

If you are suffering after abortion, you may feel very alone. You may have experienced abortion many years ago and never told anyone. You may be struggling with a more recent abortion. You may have been denied the choice you wanted or the support you needed. Regardless of the circumstances, healing is possible. If you or someone you know has experienced an abortion, we can help. Please contact Project Rachel at (317) 452-0054, or visit [www.archindy.org/projectrachel](http://www.archindy.org/projectrachel). Our next retreat is scheduled for **March 31 – April 1** in the greater Indianapolis area.

## **March 19-April 2: Praying for Those in Need of Healing**

Would you consider joining us in prayer for all those in need of healing from a past abortion? We are collecting Spiritual Bouquets on behalf of the individuals attending our Project Rachel Healing Retreat on March 31. Spiritual Bouquets may be posted to the Facebook event page (<https://goo.gl/cdBWIm>) and letters of encouragement sent to [projectrachel@archindy.org](mailto:projectrachel@archindy.org) until March 26, 2017.

For more information about this pray campaign or for general information on Project Rachel, visit [www.archindy.org/projectrachel](http://www.archindy.org/projectrachel), call 317-452-0054 or e-mail [projectrachel@archindy.org](mailto:projectrachel@archindy.org).

## **April 18 – May 23: Divorce and Beyond**

A Divorce and Beyond session will be offered six consecutive Tuesdays - **April 18 through May 23, 2017**- at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis. The topics for discussion will be the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, blame, guilt, loneliness, and forgiveness. The cost of the six-week session is \$30.00, which includes a book. For more information or to register, please contact the Pro-Life and Family Life Office at **(317) 236-1586** or e-mail: [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org). Registration forms may be obtained online [www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce.html](http://www.archindy.org/plfl/ministries-divorce.html).

## **May 9, 2017: Mission Day - Ministry of Consolation: Building Comprehensive Grief Ministry Teams**

The Office of Pro-Life and Family Life in collaboration with Catholic Cemeteries presents Mission Day: Building Comprehensive Parish Grief Ministry Teams. Maria Farrell, Director of *GriefWork: A National Servite Ministry of Compassion* will offer practical guidance to participants on how to enhance or develop parish bereavement ministry program. Maria will explain the nuts and bolts of building a team, the business of the ministry, and ways to accompany the broken hearted.

The conference hosted at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. The cost is \$30, which includes lunch and materials. Register online by April 27, 2017 at [www.archindy.org/grief](http://www.archindy.org/grief), or contact Deb VanVelse 317-236-1586 or [dvanvelse@archindy.org](mailto:dvanvelse@archindy.org).

## **March 1 – April 9, 2017: 40 Days for Life Campaign- Indianapolis**

From March 1 through April 9, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Come to stand and peacefully pray during the vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 8590 Georgetown Rd., Indianapolis. For more information or to sign up for a vigil slot, please contact Sheryl Dye at [sheryl@goangels.org](mailto:sheryl@goangels.org) or visit [www.40daysindy.org](http://www.40daysindy.org).

### **March 1 – April 9, 2017: 40 Days for Life - Bloomington**

Join us in the 2016 Spring Campaign of 40 Days for Life! From March 1 to April 9, our community will take part in this international campaign to stand for the gift of life through prayer and fasting. A peaceful prayer vigil will be held on the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (421 South College Avenue, Bloomington, Indiana). For more information on the campaign or to sign up to participate in the prayer vigil, please visit [www.40daysforlife.com/bloomington](http://www.40daysforlife.com/bloomington). We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. Contact Monica Siefker at [monica.siefker@gmail.com](mailto:monica.siefker@gmail.com) or (812) 345-7988 to learn more.



### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends**

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 one of the upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekends that will take place on **April 28-30, 2017** (Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House) or **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).

### **Upcoming Retrouvaille Programs**

Couples experiencing pain and misery in their relationship, even those already separated and divorced, can find help and hope through a Christian peer ministry called Retrouvaille (Rě-trō-vī). Couples from Kentucky, Indiana and Tennessee are welcome to attend this valuable program.

Retrouvaille programs will be offered following dates and locations: Cincinnati, OH (March 31-April 2); Columbus, OH (April 28-April 30); and Indianapolis (August 11-13).

For more information, to register, or to find Retrouvaille programs throughout the country, visit

[www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com). Registration accepted on a space available basis. Confidentiality is strictly observed.

# For the Weekend of February 25 – 26, 2017

Announcements for Any or All Weeks

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<a href="#">May 9, 2017: Mission Day</a>	
<a href="#">March 1-April 9: 40 Days for Life-Indy</a>	

## **March 3, 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 **March 3, 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!

## **March 4, 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 March 4<sup>th</sup>. At 8:45 am, participants will prayerfully carpool at 8:45 AM 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 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).

## **March 13, 2017: Know Your Fertility Intro Session**

Monday, March 13, 2017 6:30 – 8:00 pm, 85 E. Cedar St, Zionsville, IN 46077

Learn about the scientific basis for the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and how to track a woman’s reproductive cycles to achieve or avoid a pregnancy, and/or for reproductive health maintenance. Private follow-ups may be scheduled for those women and couples interested in using the System. The session costs \$35 and the materials are an additional \$45. To register, contact Liz Escoffery [lizfcp@indyfertilitycare.com](mailto:lizfcp@indyfertilitycare.com) or (317) 721-7332 by March 6. Spaces are limited!

# For Weekend of March 4 - 5, 2017

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## **March 9, 2017: Hope and Healing Survivors of Suicide (SOS) Monthly Support Group**

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, St. Mark Catholic Church will offer 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. The meetings are held at 7:00 pm – please call for location. 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, 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 March 11 -12, 2017

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## **March 15, 2017: Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute**

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## **March 18, 2017: Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Prayer Vigil – Indianapolis**

On March 18<sup>th</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.

## **April 8, 2017: Know Your Fertility Intro Session**

Saturday, April 8, 2017, 10:30 am, 85 E. Cedar St, Zionsville, IN 46077  
Learn about the scientific basis for the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and how to track a woman’s reproductive cycles to achieve or avoid a pregnancy, and/or for reproductive health maintenance. Private follow-ups may be scheduled for those women and couples interested in using the System. The session costs \$35 and the materials are an additional \$45. To register, contact Liz Escoffery [lizfcp@indyfertilitycare.com](mailto:lizfcp@indyfertilitycare.com) or (317) 721-7332 by April 1. Spaces are limited

# For the Weekend of March 18 - 19, 2017

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## **March 25, 2017: Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade –Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary**

*Change of venue: Due to St. John the Evangelist no longer having a Saturday noon Mass we are now relocating our monthly processions to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary.*

Following the 10:00 am Mass at Holy Rosary Parish on Saturday, March 25, 2017, 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 March 25 – 26, 2017

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# WORD OF LIFE: MARCH 2017

## SPECIAL EDITION!

### PLEASE NOTE:

#### **\*March 20, 2017: Solemnity of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The 2016-2017 Respect Life Program [resource guide](#) includes a novena to St. Joseph focused on the issue of adoption. You're welcome to use it any time of year, but in case you'd like to use it leading up to the \*Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 20, we've highlighted some resources you may find helpful.

*\*Because March 19 falls on a Sunday this year, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be observed Monday, March 20.*



#### **Novena to St. Joseph: For Those on the Path of Adoption**

This novena can be reproduced for free without alteration from the [resource guide](#) or from the [downloadable version](#) online. The intentions vary each day to include a variety of people touched by adoption. Each day includes a different Scripture passage, as well as prayers and petitions.



#### **Adoption-Related Articles**

[Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption](#) and [An Adoption Love Story](#) can be purchased as brochures or accessed online. (See the right sidebar of each respective webpage for ordering information and free, downloadable formats.)



#### **[Simple Supplements: Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption](#)**

[Each brochure](#) in the 2016-2017 Respect Life Program has a corresponding section in the resource guide called "[Simple Supplements](#)." A couple pages each, these sections include related information to assist individuals, clergy, teachers, etc. in learning more and/or incorporating the merciful message of life into their regular programming.



#### **This and That**

A brief prayer guide, additional intercessions, and downloadable images with accompanying, social media-length captions can all be found [online](#).

View, download, and order the 2016-2017 Respect Life Program materials! [www.usccb.org/respectlife](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife)

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## **Intercessions for Life**

**March 5<sup>th</sup>**

**First Sunday of Lent**

For purity of heart:  
May God grant us the grace  
to love unselfishly  
and treat each person with respect;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

For couples longing for a child:  
May God comfort them  
with the assurance of his steadfast love;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**March 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

For those suffering after abortion:  
may they find healing and peace  
through God's limitless mercy;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

For all Christians:  
Through the eyes of faith,  
may we see and treat each other  
as masterpieces of God's creation;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

## WORD OF LIFE – MARCH 2017

### Bulletin Briefs

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

#### March 5<sup>th</sup>

“It is important to remember that no matter what you have done, you retain your dignity as a son or daughter of God, loved by the Father. What sin has disintegrated, grace can reunite and make whole.”



*“Wash Me Thoroughly”*: *Healing from Pornography Use and Addiction*  
Daniel Spadaro / USCCB Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth

**ORDER:** [“Wash Me Thoroughly”](#) / [“Create in Me a Clean Heart” Series](#)  
**DOWNLOAD:** [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

#### March 12<sup>th</sup>

“To couples who cannot have children of their own, you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others.”



Pope Saint John Paul II, February 13, 1982 Homily. © 1982 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. [www.goo.gl/jLDs4e](http://www.goo.gl/jLDs4e)

#### March 19<sup>th</sup>

“Life is a gift from God and so is his mercy. May we cherish and promote both!”



*Bridges of Mercy for Post-Abortion Healing*  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2016-2017 [Respect Life Program](#)

**ORDER:** [English](#) / [Spanish](#)  
**DOWNLOAD:** [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

#### March 26<sup>th</sup>

“When God created each of us, He did so with precision and purpose, and He looks on each of us with love that cannot be outdone in intensity or tenderness.”



USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
Respect Life Program Flyer: Masterpieces of God’s Creation

**ORDER:** Call toll-free 866-582-0943 and request Item No. #1406 (English/Spanish on reverse sides.)

**DOWNLOAD:** [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

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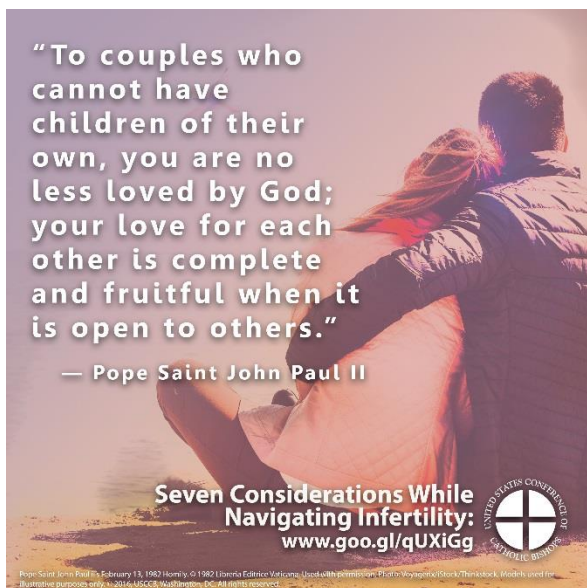
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### Bulletin Art

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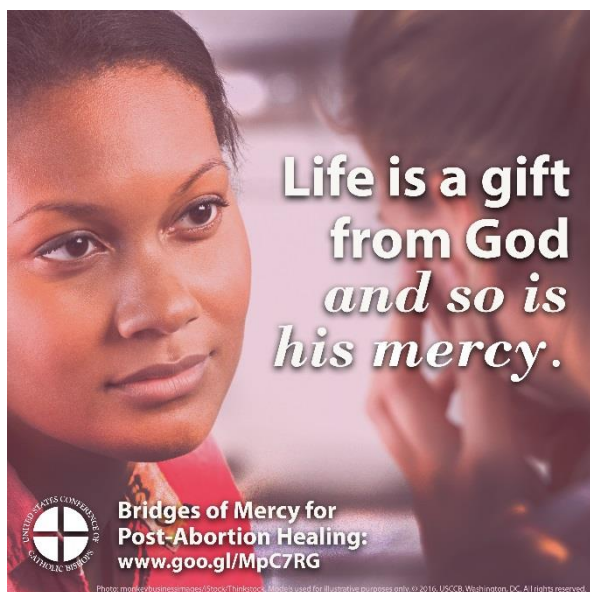
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#### Sunday, March 19, 2017

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# INDIANAPOLIS AREA SPRING 2017 CAMPAIGN

ASH WEDNESDAY - PALM SUNDAY  
MARCH 1 - APRIL 9



40  
DAYS  
FOR  
LIFE™



### 40 Days for Life:

40 nations and 725,000 participants.

With God's help, there have been:

12,668 babies saved,

141 conversions of abortion workers,

75 abortion centers closed!

### PRAYER VIGIL

MON. - SAT.: 7 AM - 7 PM

SUN.: NOON - 7 PM

IN FRONT OF

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD  
8590 GEORGETOWN ROAD**

THE INDIANAPOLIS 40 DAYS FOR LIFE PEACEFUL PRAYER VIGIL FOR AN END TO ABORTION TAKES PLACE ON THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY IN FRONT OF THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD BUSINESS LOCATED AT 8590 GEORGETOWN ROAD, INDIANAPOLIS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 317 709-1502 OR VISIT [40DAYSINDY.ORG](http://40DAYSINDY.ORG)



# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

## Join the worldwide movement to protect mothers and babies ~ March 1 - April 9

Recognizing that with God, all things are possible, our community is joining with hundreds of other cities for this fall's global 40 Days for Life – the largest coordinated pro-life mobilization in history. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective – pro-life campaign that has saved lives, led to the conversion of abortion workers, and seen abortion facilities close. The campaign consists of three components:

1. **PRAYER AND FASTING:** Join together with other believers for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
2. **PEACEFUL VIGIL:** Stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 421 South College Avenue Bloomington, Indiana
3. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH:** Bring a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, advocacy and public visibility.

Sign up at [www.40daysforlife.com/bloomington](http://www.40daysforlife.com/bloomington)

Local Contact: Monica Siefker

812-345-7988 ~ [monica.siefker@gmail.com](mailto:monica.siefker@gmail.com)





**HOPE**  
FORGIVENESS  
**HEALING**

**PROJECT RACHEL**

POST-ABORTION HEALING MINISTRY

**BEGIN TO HOPE AGAIN**

**A SPECIAL WORD TO THOSE WHO  
HAVE HAD AN ABORTION...**

“Do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope...If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.”

~Saint John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*



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# MISSION DAY 2017



## Ministry of Consolation

*Building Comprehensive Parish  
Grief Ministry Teams*

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

8:30 am—4:00 pm

at

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House

5353 East 56th Street

Indianapolis, IN 46226

Register Online: [www.archindy.org/grief](http://www.archindy.org/grief) ~ Deadline April 27, 2017

\$30 Registration Fee Includes Lunch and Materials



**PRESENTER:** Maria Farrell, Director of *GriefWork: A National Servite Ministry of Compassion*. Called by the healing ministry of compassion, the Servite Community commit themselves to serving all experiencing loss. This year's Mission Day offers parishes the opportunity, under the direction of Maria to enhance or develop their consolation and grief ministry programs. Maria will explain the nuts and bolts of building a team, the business of the ministry, and ways to accompany the broken hearted.

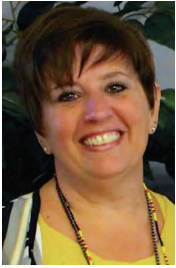
**PRESENTER:** Representatives from the Catholic Cemeteries Association of the Indianapolis Archdiocese will present on Catholic Burial Traditions and Alternatives and Vatican Instruction on Burial and Cremation.

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**Maria Farrell**

Maria began her tenure with the Servants of Mary in 2008 as Director of Development. She currently serves as

the Director of *GriefWork*: A National Servite Ministry of Compassion. Called by the healing ministry of compassion, the Servite Community commit themselves to serving all experiencing loss. Their mission is to live out these goals:

- To offer spiritual support and healing comfort to all who mourn a loss.
- To develop and provide resources and training programs to support ministries of consolation.
- To increase networking; collaboration and partnering with ministers of consolation and other national bereavement organizations.

**Catholic Cemeteries  
Association of Indianapolis  
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Catholic Cemeteries offer a meaningful continuation of our Christian belief in the Resurrection. They are consecrated places of meditation, prayer, and worship, where Masses are offered for both the living and the dead. Filled with works of art and monuments to our Faith, they bear witness to life everlasting. Learn more at <http://catholiccemeteries.cc/>

**Program Schedule**

8:30 Registration  
9:00 Welcome & Morning Prayer

**9:15—12:15 Maria**

- The business of Ministry
- Building a parish bereavement team
- Marketing your Ministry

**15 Minute Break**

- Involving Persons of All Ages
- Qualities of a Minister of Consolation

**12:15—1:00**

- Lunch

**1:00—2:15 Maria**

- The Importance of Communication
- Potential Roadblocks in Communication

**15 Minute Break**

**2:30—3:00: Catholic Cemeteries & Flanner and Buchanan: Tony Lloyd, Kelsey Ehgott & Jerry Roberts**

- Catholic Burial Traditions and Alternatives
- Vatican Instruction on Burial and Cremation
- Q & A

**3:15—3:45 Maria**

- Support during the First Year
- Companionship during the Grief Journey and Continuing Bonds

**3:45—4:00**

- Evaluations & Final Prayer

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parish or Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee: \$ 30.00**  
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**Certificate of Attendance Available**

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Or Mail Form to:

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*The responsibility for the Ministry of Consolation rests with the believing community, which heeds the words and example of the Lord Jesus: 'Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled; (Matthew 5:3). Each Christian shares in this ministry according to the various gifts and office in the church.'* ~Order of Christian Funerals, para.9.

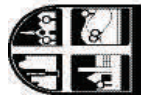
What a blessing it is to help the broken hearted feel God's surrounding love through the Ministry of Consolation. This ministry, under the direction of the pastor, consists of a team that consoles and guides grieving families who have suffered the loss of a loved one.

The consolation team, which might include representatives from several caring ministries, works together to support the broken hearted. Assistance may begin during an illness or immediately following a sudden death. Good communication between team members helps ensure all those who are grieving feel embraced by their parish family.

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Location: Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House

The facility is located on 13 wooded acres at 5353 East 56th St. in Indianapolis, IN, west of 465 and 56th on the northeast side of Indianapolis.



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