

Bulletin Announcements for August 2020

Included in this mailing, please find the bulletin announcements and fliers for the **month of August for the Offices of Marriage and Family Life & Human Life and Dignity**. Please consider adding any announcements to your bulletin that your parishioners may be interested.

If your parish has Marriage and Family Life or Human Life & Dignity 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.

Please visit <https://www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity/BulletinsAndNewsletters.html> for the PDF version of these announcements.

Thank you!

Word of Life Bulletin Series and Intercessions from USCCB

<http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/>

English: <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Word-of-Life-2020-08.pdf>

Spanish: <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/upload/Palabra-de-Vida-2020-08.pdf>

Don't Forget to check these Office events

Register for the following:

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat – July 31 – August 2, 2020
Substance Addiction Mass - Virtual Rosary– August 13, 2020
Save the Date: Anti-Trafficking Kick-Off – August 18, 2020
Divorce and Beyond – August 10 – September 21, 2020

Mental Health Mass – September 15, 2020
Respect Life Mass – October 4, 2020
Save the Date: Corrections Ministry – November 21, 2020

For Any or All Weekends in August

Office of Marriage and Family Life Events

Family Enrichment

Marriage Prep

- [PreCana – August 8, 2020 – St. Mark, Indianapolis](#)
- [PreCana – September 12, 2020 – St. Agnes, Nashville](#)
- [PreCana – November 21, 2020 – Mother of the Redeemer, Bloomington \(Location Change\)](#)

Marriage Enrichment

- [Marriage Retreat – Retrouvaille - August 7-9, 2020:](#)
- [Golden Wedding Jubilee - CANCELED](#)

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Healing Ministries

- [Divorce and Beyond – August 10 – September 21, 2020](#)

Office of Human Life and Dignity

Birthline Ministry

- [Birthline Volunteer Opportunities](#)

Respect Life Ministry

- [Respect Life Mass – October 4, 2020](#)

Project Rachel

- [Rachel Vineyard Retreat – July 31 – August 2, 2020](#)

Health Ministries – Resources

- [Mental Health Mass – September 15, 2020](#)

Substance Addictions Ministry – Resources

- [Substance Addictions Mass – August 13, 2020 – CANCELED – Virtual Rosary instead](#)

Corrections Ministry – New Videos

- [Correction Ministry Conference – November 21, 2020](#)

Events Around the Archdiocese

- [Women's Care Center First Friday Mass](#)
- [Hope & Healing Survivors of Suicide Monthly Support Group – Indianapolis](#)
- [Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute](#)
- [Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade](#)
- [Pray for an End to Abortion and Sins Against Life Adoration](#)

- [Living with Pulmonary Fibrosis, St. Joseph, Indianapolis](#)

Marriage & Family Life – Gabriela Ross

www.archindy.org/marriageandfamily

August 7-9, 2020: Marriage Retreat - Retrouvaille



Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with your spouse? Do you argue, or have you stopped talking to each other? Do you wonder if your marriage might end?

A Retrouvaille retreat for marriages in crisis will be held near Indianapolis on August 7 -9th.

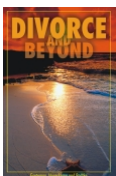
To learn more about the program or to register for the February 26-28th weekend and follow-up post-weekend sessions in Indianapolis, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or www.retrouvaille.com.

August 9, 2020: Golden Wedding Jubilee – CANCELED

*****The Office of Marriage and Family Life has cancelled the 37th Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass originally scheduled for Sunday, August 9, 2020 with Archbishop Thompson presiding. The population normally attending the mass is in the 65+ age range and considered high risk. Out of prudence, we are cancelling this year's event.***

We still plan to have next year's wedding anniversary event on August 29, 2021 at 2:00 pm at SS Peter and Paul Cathedral.**

August 10 – September 21, 2020: Divorce and Beyond 6-Week Fall Session



There will be a Divorce and Beyond Session for six consecutive Monday evenings at the Catholic Center (1400 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46201) in the **Franciscan Conference Room** from 7:00-9:00 pm starting August 10th and run through September 21, 2020. The support group explores the stress, anger, blame and guilt of divorce with the goal of leading participants toward ultimate forgiveness, happiness and growth. Separated or divorced of all faiths are welcome.

The cost of the six-week program is \$30, which includes materials. Scholarships are available. Registration forms may be obtained online www.archindy.org/marriageandfamily/ministries-divorce.html or to [register online click here](#). For more information please call Gabriela Ross, gross@archindy.org or (317) 592-4007. [Please check the website for the latest updates on safety information.](#)

Registration Fee \$150 and location will be provided with registration confirmation. For confidential information e-mail RetrouIndy@gmail.com or call (317) 489-6811. **Contact Email:** register@retroindy.com

[Registration](#)

Marriage Prep Opportunities

For questions about marriage preparation please contact Abby Lasher
at alasher@archindy.org or (317) 592-4007.

August 8, 2020: PreCana Retreat – St. Mark, Indianapolis



The Pre-Cana retreat takes place on a Saturday from 8:30 am to 6:15 pm at St. Mark's Catholic Parish

Sessions are led by married couples, professionals, and priests.

Couples have time for discussion, guided check-ins and breakout sessions to dive deeper and create goals for their marriage.

Meals include a light breakfast and box lunch. We end just before dinner.

Registration covers all books, materials, registration fees and meals for the Bride and Groom.

Cost is \$135 per couple (plus \$7 processing fee). **For details and to register go to**

www.archindy.org/precana.

September 12, 2020: PreCana Retreat – St. Agnes, Nashville



The Pre-Cana retreat takes place on a Saturday from 8:30 am to 6:15 pm at St. Agnes Catholic Parish

Sessions are led by married couples, professionals, and priests.

Couples have time for discussion, guided check-ins and breakout sessions to dive deeper and create goals for their marriage.

Meals include a light breakfast and box lunch. We end just before dinner.

Registration covers all books, materials, registration fees and meals for the Bride and Groom.

Cost is \$135 per couple (plus \$7 processing fee). **For details and to register go to**

www.archindy.org/precana.

November 21, 2020: PreCana Retreat- Mother of the Redeemer, Bloomington (Location Changed)



The Pre-Cana retreat takes place on a Saturday from 8:30 am to 6:15 pm at Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center

Sessions are led by married couples, professionals, and priests.

Couples have time for discussion, guided check-ins and breakout sessions to dive deeper and create goals for their marriage.

Meals include a light breakfast and box lunch. We end just before dinner.

Registration covers all books, materials, registration fees and meals for the Bride and Groom.

Cost is \$135 per couple (plus \$7 processing fee). **For details and to register go to**

www.archindy.org/precana.

Human Life & Dignity – Brie Anne Varick



To Learn more about the Ministries of Human Life & Dignity office visit the following webpages:

www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity

[Birthline Ministry webpage](#)

[Health Ministry webpage](#)

[Mental Health webpage](#)

[Substance Addiction Ministry \(SAM\) webpage](#)

[Corrections Ministry webpage](#)

[Hospice and Palliative Care webpage](#)

[Observance of Roe vs. Wade](#)

[Religious Freedom webpage](#)

[Project Rachel webpage](#)

Birthline–Volunteers Needed



Birthline is a ministry of the Office of Human Life & Dignity which provides baby layettes for families in need.

Birthline is currently open only to case managers picking up for their clients. We will start seeing clients September 2nd.

****Birthline will be closed from August 10th – August 21st as we move to our new space on the 2nd floor of the Xavier Building. During this time we will not be accepting donations. We will resume September 2nd at the door accessible by the Catholic Center parking lot. Please spread the word.****

Birthline's Current Wish List

- **We are currently receiving** donations which are accepted **on Monday or Wednesday 10:00 am – 2:00 pm** at the Catholic Center (1400 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, 46202 – at the door on the north side of the building – ring the doorbell.)
- **Needed: Volunteers** to help on Monday and Wednesday at the Catholic Center to prepare layettes and assist clients. Training is provided.
- **Needed: Phone Volunteers** help monitoring and scheduling clients from their home. Training is provided. Must have computer.
- **Needed: Joe-Handyman** to help on Monday and/or Wednesday from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm to assist clients from reception area to Birthline and then help them take their layettes out to their cars, and to receive donations being brought to Birthline.

If you are available to help in this ministry please contact Keri Carroll, at (317) 236-1433 or birthline@archindy.org

[Birthline Wish List](#)

Rachel Vineyard Healing Retreats

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. Regardless of the circumstances, healing is possible. If you would like to learn or to register for a retreat, please contact (317) 452-0054 or www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity/past-abortion.html. For more information regarding Rachel's Vineyard Retreats visit: www.rachelsvineyard.org. Inquiries, registration and participation are strictly confidential.

July 31-August 2, 2020: Rachel Vineyard Healing Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held in the Greater Indianapolis area July 31-August 2, 2020 for women and men who have known regret, sorrow, guilt or shame after abortion. The weekend combines living scripture meditations, spiritual exercises, and discussions in a guided process that leads to the heart of God's love and compassion. If you would like to learn more about this retreat or register for this retreat you can contact our Project Rachel Team at our confidential line (317) 452-0054 or projectrachel@archindy.org. For general information about Rachel's Vineyard Retreats visit www.rachelsvineyard.org. Inquiries, registration and participation are strictly confidential. Due to the nature of this retreat, the location is kept confidential until participants register.

[Printable Flyer](#)

August 13, 2020: Substance Addictions Ministry Recovery Mass– Indianapolis - Canceled



“Prayer for those Struggling with Addictions, their Families, and Community”

Addiction touches many people's lives, but it is something that few of us really discuss. Addiction should not be battled alone! It impacts the individual, family, and community-we all know someone who is affected by an addiction of some sort. Please join **Archbishop Thompson and Substance Addiction Ministries of Archdiocese of Indianapolis** on **August 13 at 7:00 pm** for a Substance Addiction Ministry Mass at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral (1347 North Meridian St, Indianapolis 46202), where we will lift up in prayer those who are afflicted and affected by addictions. Please contact us at bvarick@archindy.org with any questions. Please RSVP at <https://indyfamily.flocknote.com/signup/4101>.

****The Annual Substance Addiction Mass has been cancelled out of an abundance of caution in light of the continuing pandemic. Daily mass is available live stream from SS Peter and Paul Cathedral visiting the following website: <http://www.archindy.org/streaming/index.html>**

You can still join us in prayer for those suffering from addictions on Thursday August 13 at 7pm. Join us in a virtual rosary.

To sign up and receive the link to join from the comfort of your own home, go to the following link : <https://indyfamily.flocknote.com/signup/7455>

Please enter you name and email address to receive the link to join in prayer. If you have questions or have trouble signing up via the link, email Brie Anne Varick at bvarick@archindy.org ******

August 18, 2020: Anti-Trafficking Kick-Off

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis Anti-Trafficking Ministry would like to invite you to it's Kick-Off event to provide a basic Human Trafficking 101 presentation that centers around education, prevention and support of victims and survivors. For more information please contact [Theresa Chamblee](#). SPACE IS LIMITED, REGISTER TODAY. **[Visit website to register](#)**

[Download Flyer Here](#)

September 15, 2020: Mental Health Healing Mass – St. Mark's, Indianapolis

Join us on September 15th at 7:00 pm at St. Mark Catholic Church (535 E. Edgewood Avenue, Indianapolis 46227) for a mass celebrated by Msgr. William Stumpf for those who are affected by mental illness.

[Printable Flyer](#)

October 4, 2020: Respect Life Sunday Mass – SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral, Indianapolis

Award Nominations – **Nominations are due September 3rd **

Each year, the Office of Human Life & Dignity honors an adult or married couple and a high school student at the **Annual Respect Life Sunday Mass on October 4, 2020** at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral. Please consider nominating an adult or married couple whom you believe should be recognized for their leadership in promoting the dignity and sanctity of human life in the parish community and the Archdiocese for the **Archbishop O'Meara Respect Life Award** or a high school student who demonstrates leadership in promoting the dignity and sanctity of human life in the parish, community, school community and in the Archdiocese for the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Youth Award**. To obtain a nomination form visit www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity. Completed nomination forms should be submitted to the Office of Human Life & Dignity at 1400 N. Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46202, or emailed to beichhorn@archindy.org no later than **September 3, 2020**.

Printable Nomination Form

November 21, 2020: Corrections Ministry Conference

SAVE THE DATE: Corrections Ministry Conference will be held at Roncalli High School (3300 Prague Road, Indianapolis, 46227) with Jeanne Bishop as guest speaker. Stay tuned for more information and registration link. For more information about Corrections Ministry visit our [website](#).

August Events Around the Archdiocese

August 7, 2020: 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 **August 7th** 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!

August 13, 2020: Hope and Healing Survivors of Suicide (SOS) Monthly Support Group

On second **Thursday, August 13th** 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 <https://www.hopeandhealingsos.com/Monthly-SOS-Meeting.html>.

August 18, 2020: Living with Pulmonary Fibrosis, St. Joseph, Indianapolis

Do you or someone you know have Pulmonary Fibrosis? St. Joseph Health Ministry wants to create awareness ... Our next presentation, "**Pulmonary Fibrosis Meds**" will be held virtually on **Tuesday, August 18, 2020** using the Zoom internet platform. Please RSVP to Patty at parthur000@yahoo.com or 317-339-6503 and the meeting link will be e-mailed to you.

Things that will be covered in this presentation include types of medications used to treat pulmonary fibrosis, managing common side effects, financial assistance, grant programs and more.

* The phone number is for Patty Arthur at St. Joseph Catholic Church, please leave a message if no answer.

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SupportinIndianapolis/>

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pf.support.in.indy/>

Webpage: <https://www.stjosephindy.org/Programs-and-Events>

August 19, 2020: Respect Life Mass – Terre Haute

On **August 19th**, the 3rd Wednesday of the month, please consider joining the St. Joseph Respect Life Ministry in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet (St. Joseph University, 113, S Fifth St., Terre Haute) at 4:45 pm prior to the 5:15 pm Respect Life Mass. For more information, contact the parish office at (812) 232-7011. For more information please contact Amy Langham at amylou0330@gmail.com or the parish office at 812-232-7011.

August 20, 2020: Pray for an End to Abortion and Sins Against Life Adoration

Please join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held at **St. Joseph Catholic Church**, (1401 South Mickley Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46241) on **every third Thursday – August 20th** from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm to pray specifically for Gabriel Project mothers and babies, for an end to abortion, and sin against life, and for the closing of Clinic for Women abortion facility location at 3607 West 16th Street, and for a return to a “Culture of Life.” For more information contact Patty Arthur, St. Joseph’s Pro-Life Ministry coordinator at (317) 244-9002 or patty.arthur@aol.com or visit website: <http://www.stjosephindy.org>. [Printable Flyer](#)

August 22, 2020: Faithful Citizens Rosary Crusade –Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

Following the 10:00 am Mass at Holy Rosary Parish (520 Stevens Street, Indianapolis, 46203) on fourth Saturday, **August 22nd** join us for the recitation of the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet as we witness and pray for the protection of Life, Family, and Religious Freedom. For more information, contact Eric at faithful.citizens2016@gmail.com. [2020 Flyer with schedule](#). Please check to make sure event will take place.

WORD OF LIFE: AUGUST 2020

Recommended dates are provided, but you are welcome to use these materials at any time!

FEATURED THIS MONTH...

Pray for Life: August



Here are graphics and a sample announcement to use in bulletins and newsletters. (*Please note: Each month's issue is posted the first day of that month on the website below.*)

Sample Announcement:

Join this month's prayer and action at walkingwithmoms.com/pray-for-moms!

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Prayer Guide (print version): [English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Reflection on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15, 2020

The Solemnity of the Assumption celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. The *Catechism* explains that Mary "was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven, where she already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his Body" (CCC, 974).

Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is 'to be with Christ'" (CCC, 1025 citing St. Ambrose, *In Luc.*, 10, 121: PL 15 1834A.).

We can see how, throughout her life, the Blessed Mother continually chose to go deeper into her relationship with God. She modeled how to value and respect His precious gift of human life, from the moment of conception to its natural end. In the Annunciation, through her "yes," Mary witnessed to the undeniable humanity of unborn children as she conceived and carried the Christ child in her womb. After the Annunciation, having learned that her cousin Elizabeth was with child, she went in haste to her aid.

Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live today can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. Are we open to God's precious gift of new life? How do we support expectant mothers and parents of young children? Do we prioritize showing our love and care for loved ones who are ill or aging?

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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Need a photo to go with this reflection?

Many works of art are believed to be in the common domain and are available to download from museum websites.

The Assumption of the Virgin, Bergognone

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The Assumption, Laurent de La Hyre

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Intercessions for Life

August 2nd

May the Lord generously provide
for the needs of all mothers
as they dedicate themselves
to caring for their children;
We pray to the Lord:

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9th

For those grieving after a miscarriage:
May they be comforted by Christ's everlasting love
and His presence amidst their sorrow;
We pray to the Lord:

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16th

For those suffering after abortion:
May they know that the Lord desires to bring healing,
to replace their pain with His mercy and peace;
We pray to the Lord:

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23rd

For the Church:
That She may steadfastly proclaim and uphold
the dignity of all human life,
in all stages and circumstances;
We pray to the Lord:

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30th

For those who are imprisoned,
especially those condemned to death:
May they be treated with the respect due
to every human person;
We pray to the Lord:

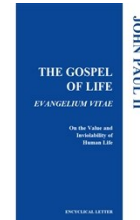
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin Quotes

August 2nd

“We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (EV 86).

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August 9th

“Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage”



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August 16th

“Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God’s design that ‘the two shall become one’ (Mt 19:5).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
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August 23rd

“God’s love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“How to Build a Culture of Life”



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August 30th

“No sin or crime is greater than God’s mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ’s greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A”



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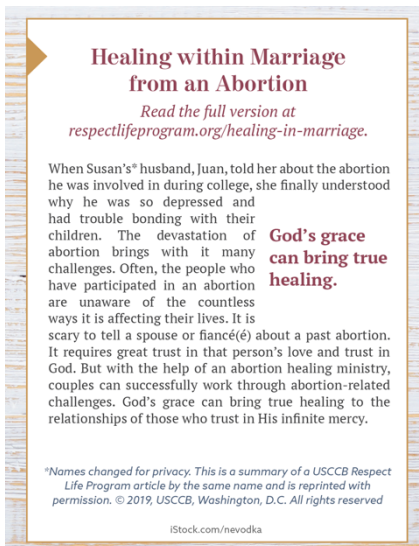
Sunday, August 2, 2020



Pray for Life: August 2020

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Sunday, August 16, 2020



Healing within Marriage from an Abortion

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PALABRA DE VIDA: AGOSTO DE 2020

Se recomiendan fechas, pero se pueden utilizar estos materiales en cualquier momento.

ESTE MES PRESENTAMOS...

Oración por la vida: agosto

Que las madres y sus hijos puedan tener acceso a atención médica de calidad y que afirme la vida.



Aquí encontrarán gráficos y un anuncio de muestra para utilizarse en boletines y circulares. (Tengan en cuenta que la edición de cada mes se publica el primer día del mes en el sitio digital a continuación.)

Anuncio de muestra:

Únase a la oración y acción de este mes en es.walkingwithmoms.com/pray-for-moms!

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Guía de oraciones (versión para imprimir): [español](#) | [inglés](#)

Reflexión sobre la Solemnidad de la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María, 15 de agosto de 2020

La Solemnidad de la Asunción celebra la entrada de la Santísima Virgen a la gloria celestial. El *Catecismo* explica que María “fue llevada en cuerpo y alma a la gloria del cielo, en donde ella participa ya en la gloria de la resurrección de su Hijo, anticipando la resurrección de todos los miembros de su cuerpo” (CIC, 974).

La Asunción de María al cielo nos recuerda que la vida en la tierra es una peregrinación a nuestro destino final. Nos preparamos con esperanza para pasar a la vida eterna mediante las decisiones que tomamos hoy. Cuando elegimos vivir y seguir a Dios en nuestra vida cotidiana, fortalecemos nuestra relación con Él, y esta relación es el verdadero sentido del cielo: “Vivir en el cielo es 'estar con Cristo’” (CIC, 1025 citando a San Ambrosio, *De Lc.*, 10, 121: PL 15 1834A.).

Podemos ver cómo, durante toda su vida, la Santísima Madre continuamente eligió profundizar su relación con Dios y ser modelo de cómo valorar y respetar Su preciado don de la vida humana, desde el momento de la concepción a su muerte natural. En la Anunciación, mediante su “sí”, María fue testigo de la innegable humanidad de los niños por nacer al concebir y llevar al niño Jesús en su seno. Después de la Anunciación, al haberse enterado de que su prima Isabel estaba encinta, fue de prisa en su ayuda.

Nuestra Santísima Madre nos muestra cómo nuestra forma de vivir hoy nos puede preparar, en la esperanza, para entrar a la gloria celestial al final de nuestra vida. ¿Estamos abiertos al don preciado de Dios de nueva vida? ¿Cómo apoyamos a las madres embarazadas y a los padres de niños pequeños? ¿Priorizamos demostrar nuestro amor y cuidado a nuestros seres queridos enfermos o ancianos?

Santa María, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros, pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte. Amén.

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[La Asunción de la Virgen, Bergognone](#)

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[La Asunción, Laurent de La Hyre](#)

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Intercesiones por la Vida

2 de agosto

Que el Señor satisfaga generosamente
las necesidades de todas las madres
mientras se dedican
a cuidar a sus hijos;
roguemos al Señor:

18° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

9 de agosto

Por las personas que están de duelo después de un aborto
espontáneo:
para que sean consolados por el amor eterno de Cristo
y Su presencia en medio de su dolor;
roguemos al Señor:

19° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

16 de agosto

Por quienes sufren después de un aborto:
para que sepan que el Señor desea sanarlos,
y remplazar su dolor con Su misericordia y paz;
roguemos al Señor:

20° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

23 de agosto

Por la Iglesia:
Para que incondicionalmente proclame y defienda
la dignidad de toda vida humana,
en todas las etapas y circunstancias;
roguemos al Señor:

21° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

30 de agosto

Por los que están en prisión,
en especial los condenados a muerte:
para que sean tratados con el respeto que se debe dar
a todos los seres humanos;
roguemos al Señor:

22° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Citas para boletines

2 de agosto

Os damos las gracias, madres heroicas, por vuestro amor invencible. Os damos las gracias por la intrépida confianza en Dios y en su amor. Os damos las gracias por el sacrificio de vuestra vida” (EV 86).

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9 de agosto

“Aunque no nos sentimos seguros sobre cómo consolar a los que sufren, debemos acompañarlos mientras sufren. El aborto espontáneo toca la vida de mucha gente, sin embargo a menudo esta tragedia no recibe mucha atención. Esta falta de atención no solo lleva a un dolor sin resolver, sino que no manifiesta de manera clara nuestra creencia de que cada persona, desde la concepción en adelante, es valiosa y única.”

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
“Consuelo y fortaleza ante la pena de un aborto espontáneo”



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16 de agosto

“El aborto afecta a innumerables matrimonios más de lo que muchas personas reconocen. Pero no hay duda de que Dios llevará una gran sanación a quienes confían en su misericordia infinita. Si un aborto del pasado puede reconocerse y tratarse, una pareja casada puede dar grandes pasos en vivir incluso más plenamente el designio de Dios de que 'serán los dos una sola carne' (Mt 19,5)”.

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
“La Sanación en el Matrimonio después de un aborto” (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Se utiliza con permiso.)



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23 de agosto

“Pero el amor de Dios, individual, real, inmutable, es la verdadera fuente de nuestra valía, identidad y dignidad. La cuestión no es quién soy sino de quién soy. Como su amor nunca cambiará, nada puede reducir nuestra dignidad dada por Dios ni la valía inconmensurable de nuestra vida”.

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
“Edificar una cultura de vida”



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30 de agosto

"Ningún pecado o delito es más grande que la misericordia de Dios. El sacrificio de la Cruz revela que el deseo mayor de Cristo es perdonar a los que tienen un corazón arrepentido".

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
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