

Honoring Beautiful Life!

Bella Vida Lecture Series

In early March, we enjoyed a community event hosted by our Hispanic Pastoral Ministry — our third annual Bella Vida lecture series. This year's event featured professor, theologian, and apologist Fernando Casanova who had everyone in attendance at the edge of their seats during his personal testimony.

“Many people attending were new to our events and our mission,” said Hispanic Pastoral Director, Aurora Tinajero. “We filled close to 300 seats and had to turn people away. We even put up a sign saying: No More Room.”



Expanding on last year's keynote presentation by EWTN's Alejandro Bermudez on the pro-life battle and its effects on culture and family, Casanova presented on the spiritual aspects of this battle. He spoke about losing a generation to abortion, the confusion of gender ideology, and new laws advocating euthanasia. He also presented spiritual tools to invite God's grace to protect our families, our churches, and our communities.

Entertainer Lolys Meza also performed traditional and popular Catholic songs, as well as her personal compositions which promote the pro-life message. It truly was a day honoring Bella Vida ... beautiful life! 🙏

Faithfully Preparing to Vote

Upcoming Share the Truth Campaign

As American Catholics, we have a baptismal call to participate in the public square. Some would have us believe that to do so, we must leave our faith behind, in the privacy of our homes. But the Gospel tells us the opposite — we must be informed and inspired by Christ's teaching to work towards the common good throughout our public life.

Our Church is a beacon for truth and formation on some of the most challenging issues facing our society. To that end, the U.S. Bishops have updated their introductory reflection to the teaching document *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. Among the many issues addressed, the Bishops note:

The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed. At the same time, we cannot dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism, the environmental crisis, poverty and the death penalty.

To help bring focus to the importance of human life and dignity, the CPLC is renewing and expanding its campaign, “Share the Truth,” this coming election season. We will offer online resources, presentations on Faithful Citizenship, e-updates and social media outreach to encourage the faithful to pray, discern and vote! For more about our upcoming campaign visit, prolifedallas.org/vote. 🙏



Faithful Citizenship