

CPLC Ministry Update

Activity for July 2007

Convert-to-Life - Carol Seward

- 33 women turned away from the six Dallas abortion centers, with 22 hopeful turnaways. YTD: 205 turnaways, 121 hopefuls.
- Hired Maria Ruff-Berganza as an additional intern.
- More than 100 people attended the Quarterly Mass & Procession from St. Jude in Allen to North Park abortion center (which remained **closed** the whole day), followed by a baby shower for a Gabriel mom.
- Held 2 organizational meetings for the 40 Days for Life - Dallas Vigil September 26th - November 4th.

Abortion AfterCare-Healing - Caryn Stevens

- Received a total of 7 calls on the Helpline and 6 emails. Of these contacts, 2 accepted an alternative to abortion and took the 972-BABY DUE Helpline number, and 9 accepted information on help and healing.
- Completed the 8-week aftercare support group, "The Journey," for graduates of Rachel's Vineyard Retreats™.
- Held a second committee meeting to continue planning and preparing for the upcoming conference entitled "Forbidden Grief: The Pain of Abortion and the Journey to Peace."
- Held our 31st Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ in English.

Project Gabriel - Patty Sherrod

- 4 babies born to Gabriel moms.
- 14 mothers paired with Gabriel Angels.
- 25 972-BABY DUE hotline calls were received at the White Rose Women's Center.
- Continued planning for the September 8 launch of the newly-formed Gabriel Education Ministry & Support (GEMS) program.

Parish Coordination - Jim Walker

- Welcomed new Parish Coordinator Beverly Deville, St. Ann, Coppell.
- Encouraged ParCoor participation in the Planned Parenthood protest of the annual "Teen Savvy" event.
- Made preparations for the third quarter ParCoor meeting at Holy Trinity.

Prayer Ministry - Jacquelyn Dudasko

- Held meetings to begin planning for the upcoming Quarterly Mass in October and for the 2008 Roe Memorial event.
- Made plans for upcoming CPLC spiritual retreat in November.
- Networked with several parish coordinators about having a Prayer Warrior sign-up at their parish.

Speakers Bureau - Sheree Havlik

- Year-to-date statistics: Made presentations to 2251 students and 549 adults.
- Spoke to 30 Gabriel Angels on teaching chastity at Immaculate Conception, Denton, for Ft. Worth Project Gabriel Training.
- Worked on new presentations for the upcoming year.
- Planned for the upcoming year to implement very exciting new goals.
- Preparing our yearly mailing to the schools, Youth Ministers and DREs.

Youth For Life - Jacquelyn Smith

- Annual Youth For Life Pro-Life Boot Camp a huge success!
- Weekend (57 youth) - praise and worship, prayer time at an abortion center, 5 presentations on Life Issues, including 2 by Fr. Tad, and youth-written skits.
- Whole Boot Camp (40 youth) - prayer time at abortion centers, visits to D/FW Catholic crisis pregnancy centers, collection of baby items, two talks by Steve Kellmeyer, and a youth-planned baby shower.
- Youth attended from 37 cities.

Spanish Ministry - Aurora Tinajero

- Members of the SM team met with pastor at St. Cecilia Parish to inform him of plans for the Project Gabriel training that will take place on September 22 & October 6.
- SM was present at Teen Savvy protest at TW Browne School on July 26.
- SM was present at two pro-life events on July 29: St. Monica's parish-wide seminar and St. Mary of Carmel's kick-off of their new pro-life group for adults and youth.

Civic Action - Ron Engler

- Continued to refine the Civic Action organizational structure and identify strengths.
- Updated membership list and contacts in the CPLC database.
- Attended a briefing by Senator John Cornyn of Texas.
- Planned fall meeting schedule of Civic Action Task Force.