



Parish Pro-Life Coordinator NEWS & UPDATES

CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE COMMUNITY

A monthly toolkit for Parish Pro-Life Coordinators in the Diocese of Dallas September 2021

SHARE WITH YOUR PARISH - Bulletins, Emails, Digital Monitors, Handouts

SEPTEMBER BULLETIN
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WALKING WITH MOMS
IN NEED

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COUNSELOR TRAINING

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PRAYER VIGIL

RESPECT LIFE MONTH
AND MASS

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Thanks to all of you who attended our August Parish Pro-Life Coordinator meeting. It was great to be back in person. We certainly appreciate all you do as the liaison between the CPLC Respect Life Ministry of the Diocese of Dallas, and your parish.



I've enjoyed meeting and talking with many of you over the past few months, and I appreciate all the feedback and insight you've shared. In our efforts to constantly improve and be more effective in assisting you, please watch your inbox for new communication programs we have planned.

This month begins our annual 40 Days for Life prayer vigil. We are looking for parishes to adopt a day(s) for 40 Days for Life,



USCCB program for the Dallas Diocese
HAVE YOU STARTED PHASE ONE?
WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

- [Letter from Bishop Burns](#)
- [Letter from Bishop Kelly](#)
- [FAQs](#)
- [WWMIN Bulletin Inserts](#)

- [Parish Guide](#)
- [Parish Online Survey*](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Prayer for Pregnant Moms](#)
- [St. Gianna Novena](#)

*Please return to CPLC as soon as possible.

PARISH INVOLVEMENT

Ongoing ideas to engage your parishioners

- [Baby Banks](#)
- [Four Ways to Help Moms](#)
- [Light of Mercy Program](#)
- [Pro-Life Activities You Can Do Now](#)
- [Rosary Assembly Kits](#)

CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE COMMUNITY RESOURCES

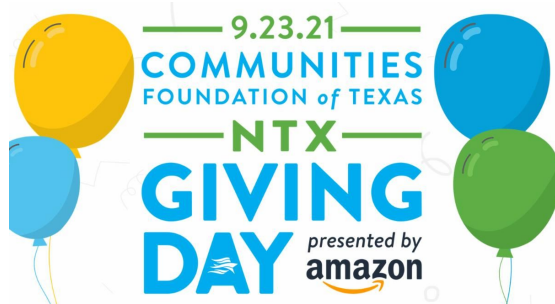
Tap into these local resources

- [Three-Month Bilingual Calendar of Activities](#)
- [Hike for Life information and schedule](#)
- [Pro-Life Presentation Videos in English](#)
- [Pro-Life Presentation Videos in Spanish](#)
- [September Bilingual Rachel's Vineyard and Project Joseph Quotes and Testimonials](#)
- [Digital material files](#)

USCCB RESOURCES

Tap into these other great pro-life resources

- [September Bilingual USCCB Word of Life](#)
- [Respect Life Month Resources](#)
- [Year of Pro-Life Materials](#)
- [Year of St. Joseph Novena - Adoption](#)



On Sept. 23, the Catholic Pro-Life Community will once again participate in North Texas Giving Day, a one-day online giving event benefiting non-profits in the North Texas area. This year has been especially hard on some of our moms. Your donations will help CPLC continue to serve the vulnerable with the love and care they deserve. We are most grateful to this amazing community.

coming up September 22 - October 31, to fill up our vigils at Southwestern, Planned Parenthood and Whole Women's Health in McKinney. Last year we saved 33 babies during this vigil! Prayer works!

October is Respect Life Month and very soon you will be receiving the 2021 Parish Action Guide from the USCCB in your home mailbox. We suggest that you set up a meeting with your pastor to review the guide and determine how your parish will celebrate LIFE during October. As always, we are here to help.

We hope to see all of you at the bilingual Respect Life Mass celebrated by Bishop Kelly on October 16. There will be a special consecration to St. Joseph at 4:45 p.m. Even if you've consecrated before, you can consecrate again. Please [click here](#) for more information about the Consecration to St. Joseph.

A couple of final notes: Hector Carrasco will be getting married soon and has decided to leave CPLC. We wish him all the best and look forward to seeing him as a volunteer in the future. If you know of someone interested in becoming our Parish Liaison or joining CPLC in other positions please [view our job openings here](#).

One more request: please pray for our sister in Christ, Silvia Caballero, parish coordinator from St. Mark. We pray for her full recovery.

Thank you for all you do to preserve the dignity and sanctity of life.

Geralyn Kaminsky
Executive Director



To go through a spiritual retreat virtually, was for me an experience that comforted me a lot, as it was a time in my life in which I had much pain that had to be resolved. I received, through the Rachel retreat, much peace and love from Christ Jesus, who had always been with me, but I did not know that until that moment. Thank you to all the people who were involved and who have received the call from God to do this beautiful work. I

received so much. May God and the Blessed Virgin continue blessing this ministry.

- Rachel's Vineyard Retreatant

Three-Month Calendar



[Click here to download](#)

BREAKING LEGISLATIVE NEWS



Heartbeat Bill Takes Effect as of September 1

Makes abortion illegal after a fetal heartbeat is detected

Texas has become the first state to make abortion illegal after a fetal heartbeat is detected, about 6 weeks. In a last-minute effort, abortion providers asked the U.S. Supreme Court for an emergency intervention to block enforcement of the Texas Heartbeat Bill but were unsuccessful. [The Supreme Court ruled that it will not block the Texas law.](#)

Another win for women's safety and health was the passing of SB 4, the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol, which prevents mail-order abortion and reduced the number of weeks from 10 to seven that a woman can obtain a chemical abortion. That bill is headed to Governor Abbott to sign.

BUT WE'RE NOT DONE

On the federal level, there is strong lobbying efforts trying to exclude the Hyde Amendment in appropriations funding, meaning taxpayers will pay for abortions. Please continue to [contact your representatives](#) and tell them to INCLUDE HYDE in federal appropriations

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - THREE VIGILS THIS YEAR



40 Days for Life Dallas Sept. 22 - Oct. 31

Parishes and individuals are needed to sign up

This year prayer vigils will be held at three sites. We need more prayer warriors than ever to cover these sites in prayer:

[Southwestern \(7 a.m. - 7 p.m.\)](#)

8616 Greenville Ave., Dallas 75243

[Planned Parenthood \(6 a.m. - 6 p.m.\)](#)

7989 W. Virginia Dr., Dallas 75237

[Whole Women's Health \(6 a.m. - 6 p.m.\)](#)

ACTION ITEMS

- **Print and Post** bilingual flyer with details.
- **Sign up** your parish to adopt a day of prayer.
- **View** all the 40 Days for Life resources
- **Pray** for an end to abortion

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH - PREPARE NOW



RESPECT LIFE MONTH - OCTOBER

Respect Life Mass | Oct. 16 | 5 pm Vigil Mass
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Richardson
with consecration to St. Joseph at 4:45 p.m.

In October, the U.S. Catholic Church celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is designated as Respect Life Sunday. These observances help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.

All Dallas Diocese Parish Pro-Life Coordinators will receive shortly a Parish Action Guide complete with ideas and resources that will help your parish celebrate the gift of human life.

ACTION ITEMS

- **Meet with your pastor** to discuss the Action Guide you received in the mail from the USCCB and determine activities your parish will take part in
- **Spread** the word and Plan to attend the bilingual **Respect Life Mass** with a special consecration to St. Joseph on Oct. 16
- **Print, Post, and Share** the flyer
- **Submit** a bulletin announcement
- **Pray to St. Joseph**, Defender of Life

THIS MONTH'S RESPECT LIFE PROMOTIONS



Bilingual Sidewalk Counselor Training

Oct. 2 | 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | St. Francis of Assisi, Frisco

ACTION ITEMS

- **Spread** the word
- **Print, Post, and Share** the training flyer
- **Submit** a bulletin announcement

Hike for Life - Be Part of Something HUGE!

Texas' oldest pro-life event benefiting area organizations

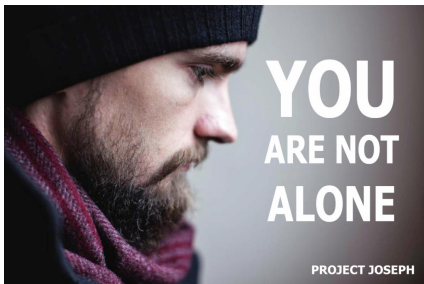
HIKE FOR LIFE is Texas' oldest Pro-Life event. It is a pro-life walk held once a year in various locations around Texas that raises money for the Catholic Pro-Life Community and area Crisis Pregnancy Centers, and



raises awareness of the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. Your involvement in the Hike will help area pro-life organizations continue their life-saving missions.

ACTION ITEMS

- **View** the Hike for Life website and hike schedules
- **Get** a Parish Team Together



Project Joseph Healing Retreat for Men

Oct. 9-10

ACTION ITEMS

- **Print and Post** the flyer on your parish bulletin board and put copies in the parish office and other areas.
- **Submit** a bulletin announcement. Be sure to check the deadline and get it in the next bulletin.

PRO-LIFE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Take Your Passion to a New Level

Work for the Catholic Pro-Life Community

- Bilingual Project Gabriel Director
- Bilingual Communications Coordinator
- Digital Media Specialist
- Sidewalk Counselor

[VIEW JOB DESCRIPTIONS / APPLY](#)

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