

Gabriel's Trumpet

Quarterly Newsletter

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Letter from Ingrid

Greetings to all Gabriel Angels and Auxiliary Members!

This April I was invited to participate in the "Week For Life" that took place in Spain. I traveled with CPLC Spanish Ministry Director Aurora Tinajero to visit several dioceses in Spain and share our experiences in pro-life ministry, including supporting parish pro-life groups and, of course, Project Gabriel. It was such an amazing trip! We met wonderful, loving people who were on fire to save mothers and babies in union with the Church and return Spain to being a truly pro-life country.

The exciting news doesn't end there: on Saturday, June 8, we will have our first-ever Gabriel Angel Training in Spanish! Our initial group is small, but will hopefully grow in the future. Please keep us in your prayers. Our next 2-day training in English will be Aug. 24 and Sept. 7 at St. Thomas Aquinas. Please spread the word.

In closing I want to thank you for your dedication to this special and loving ministry. Remember to log your contacts with your Gabriel Mom and keep me updated. And please offer a special prayer for all of our Gabriel Moms on August 15th, the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption into heaven. May she always guide our mothers to her Son Jesus and welcome into her arms all those poor babies who have been aborted. Help us, Dear Mother, to always fight for the unborn.

May God keep you and bless you always,

- Ingrid Meyer, Gabriel Angel Coordinator

Upcoming Events

CPLC Volunteer Appreciation Day: June 15

Fortnight for Freedom: June 21 - July 4

Sidewalk Counseling / Prayer Partner Training: June 22

Youth For Life Pro-Life Boot Camps: June 28-30 & July 26-30

Quarterly Mass & Rosary Procession: July 20

"It's a Girl" Movie Screening: July 25

Hispanic Congress of the Americas for Respect Life & Evangelization: August 16-18

Gabriel Angel Training: August 24 & September 7

For more information visit prolifedallas.org/calendar

Watch Gabriel Grow!

In January

2 babies born to Gabriel Moms

4 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel

106 972-Baby-Due calls (answered at the White Rose)

In February

2 babies born to Gabriel Moms

9 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel

80 972-Baby-Due calls (answered at the White Rose)

In March

2 babies born to Gabriel Moms

3 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel

67 972-Baby-Due calls (answered at the White Rose)

In April

3 babies born to Gabriel Moms

1 mom paired with a Gabriel Angel

106 972-Baby-Due calls (answered at the White Rose)

Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner: Our Best Ever!

This was a very special night for the CPLC as we celebrated our 20th anniversary! On April 6, Bishop Kevin Farrell welcomed nearly 2,000 attendees to The Bishop's 20th Annual Catholic Pro-Life Dinner to hear Dr. Alveda King, the niece of Martin Luther King, Jr., give an inspiring talk recalling her personal journey from the darkness of abortion to the truth of pro-life activism.

In addition we welcomed special guest David Bereit, National Director of 40 Days for Life, who after attending the 2004 Bishop's Dinner in Dallas, was inspired to build a grassroots coalition in Bryan, Texas, that eventually grew to become an international campaign engaging hundreds of thousands to pray for an end to abortion.

We also recognized Beth Riley, theology teacher at John Paul II and sponsor of one of the largest high school pro-life clubs, as the recipient of The 2013 Father Edward Robinson, O.P., Pro-Life Person of the Year Award.

Best of all, this spectacular evening raised record proceeds for our nine life-saving ministries! We were also happy to see so many Gabriel Angels in attendance at the dinner. Thank you for your support!

Gabriel Angel Daily Prayer

My Dear Jesus,
I come to you today and ask to enter
your Heart of Divine Love,
with the mother you have bound to my life,
and entrusted to my care.

Lord, I am not able to love her like you do, I am not able to provide for her like you can. I have nothing good to offer her but you. You alone are all good, and every blessing to her.

And so Good Shepherd, I ask you to protect her and deliver her from evil today. Supply her every need, according to your providence, and generosity.

Let her experience your infinite tenderness towards mothers and children.

Give her courage to withstand temptation and persevere in your grace.

Bind her to you with cords of love.

Make her path fragrant with your loving kindness.

And at the end of this day and every day,

Enfold her in your eternal embrace in peace.

Thank you, Lord, for hearing my prayer. Amen.



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Gabriel Partner Spotlight: Adoption

Since its very beginning nearly eighteen years ago, the CPLC's Project Gabriel has supported the option of adoption as a loving opportunity for a birth mother to provide a quality of life for her child that she may not be able to offer. It is a courageous choice to put her child's needs before her own. The face of adoption looks very different than it did even ten years ago, allowing a birth mother to create a customized adoption plan, hand-pick an adoptive family, and correspond with them to stay connected as the child grows. All of this is arranged with the support of trained counselors to assist mothers through the heartaches and joys this decision may Project Gabriel has been proud to partner with Catholic Charities Adoption and Parenting Services, and recently The Gladney Center for Adoption, which provides housing for up to 30 women and offers high school and GED classes and a post-birth program, Next Steps. The more we know and share about the adoption option, the better for our Gabriel mothers. To learn more, contact our Parenting Options Advisor Carolina Salazar at 214-287-6132 or csalazar@prolifedallas.org.

Did You Know?

Project Gabriel achieves a new milestone this month. For the first time we will be offering a mini-training for would-be Angels in the Spanish language. Project Gabriel has always welcomed bilingual speakers to attend our English-speaking trainings introducing our Angel Manual in English. However, for those bilingual speakers who may be more comfortable communicating in Spanish, we want to offer an alternative. The training will be conducted by our Gabriel Angel Coordinator Ingrid Meyer and our Spanish Ministry Director Aurora Tinajero to ensure we have enough Angels through the busy summer months. It will not replace our traditional two-day training in English, which is scheduled for August 24 and September 7 at St. Thomas Aquinas in Dallas. If you are interested in a refresher course or know someone who might be interested in becoming an Angel, please visit prolifedallas.org/angeltraining or at imeyer@prolifedallas.org contact Ingrid 214-466-9769.

Congratulations to Our New Gabriel Angels!!

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February 2013 Gabriel Angel Commissioning at St. Mark in Plano with Deacon Sid Little

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