



Gabriel's Trumpet

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Letter from Ingrid

Greetings to all Gabriel Angels!

This is your year, Angels! YOU are our main focus and we want to do everything we can to support you and help you grow in this ministry. Here are some of the exciting changes happening this year.

First, we held an Angel Refresher Course in January including information on the reporting tool, eWebLife; the courageous testimony of a birth mother with a surprise visit from the adoptive parents; and a discussion of this year's focus on "Quality vs. Quantity", ensuring each of our moms has an opportunity for true transformation. We ended with a beautiful talk from Fr. Benjamin on the "Gift of Serving". Later this spring, we will begin periodic training segments called "Grow in Gabriel" focusing on spiritual nourishment and modern moral issues.

Second, I want to welcome Tami Welsh to our Gabriel family. She will be helping out as an Auxiliary Angel with administrative duties and eventually hopes to be a coach. You can expect to hear from Tami soon.

Finally, during this time of Lent maybe do something extra for your Gabriel Mom by offering to take her to Mass with you. Remember March 25th is the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord, when our patron, the Archangel Gabriel, announced to Mary that she was to be the mother of the Messiah. Please say an additional prayer for all those in Project Gabriel. Many thanks and may God keep you and bless you always. – Ingrid Meyer

Bishop's Dinner Reservations Now Open!

Join us for an evening of celebration and inspiration at the 22nd Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner on April 18, 2015 at the Irving Convention Center, featuring a musical performance by **award-winning singer Kathy Troccoli** and **Catholic Answers Live host Patrick Coffin** as emcee.

We eagerly welcome Kathy's music and Patrick's message at Dallas' largest pro-life benefit event, which provides critical funds for the nine ministries of the Catholic Pro-Life Committee, the Respect Life Ministry of the Diocese of Dallas.

The Dinner will also include a wine pull, jewelry grab bags, a live and a silent auction, gorgeous gift baskets, a raffle for a \$15,000 MasterCard® Gift Card, and more! We would love to see many Gabriel Angels at the Bishop's Dinner. If you would like to be seated with your parish, be sure to contact your Parish Pro-Life Coordinator about sharing a table.

The CPLC is also in need of volunteers before and during this event. For more information, visit prolifedallas.org/dinner, or call 972-267-LIFE (5433). Reservations are now open. Don't delay – this will be a great evening!

Upcoming Events

- McKinney 40 Days for Life: February 18 - March 29
 - Youth For Life Pro-Life Lobby Days: March 8-10
 - Youth For Life Pure by Choice Rally: March 21
 - Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day: March 24
 - GEMS classes: March 7, 21, 28; April 11, 25
 - Good Friday Pro-Life Stations of the Cross: April 3
 - 22nd Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner: April 18
 - Quarterly Mass & Rosary Procession: April 25
- For more info, visit www.prolifedallas.org/calendar*

Watch Gabriel Grow!

- In October
1 baby born to Gabriel Mom
2 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel
57 972-BABY DUE calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In November *3 candidates graduated from GEMS*
1 baby born to Gabriel Mom
1 mom paired with a Gabriel Angel
75 972-BABY DUE calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In December
1 baby born to Gabriel Mom
2 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel
43 972-BABY DUE calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In January
1 baby born to Gabriel Mom
1 mom paired with a Gabriel Angel
75 972-BABY DUE calls (answered at the White Rose)

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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Did You Know?

We all love getting gift cards, but nearly 40% of gift cards are never spent! Maybe it's for a merchant we don't patronize, or we just tuck it in a drawer and forget about it. But guess what? The Catholic Pro-Life Committee can use gift cards of all kinds. If you have a gift card from Kroger, Albertsons, Wal-Mart, Target, Tom Thumb, Babies-R-Us, etc., please consider donating it to help our moms and babies. We will put it to good use! Also, if you are aware of any individuals or businesses that might want to support our Project Gabriel moms, please let our Gabriel Resource Coordinator Jessie Anne Nobles know.

To donate a gift card, contact Patty Sherrod, 972-235-5554 or psherrod@prolifedallas.org, or Jessie Anne Nobles, 972-291-2384, or jnobles@prolifedallas.org.

GEMS Welcomes You!

As a Gabriel Angel or member of the Project Gabriel Auxiliary, you are always welcome at our GEMS classes, whether you are paired with a mom or not. Please contact Gabriel Angel Coordinator Ingrid Meyer if you'd like to attend or perhaps can drive a mom. Come for lunch and stay for class. The 2015 GEMS schedule is as follows:

March 7	Understanding Your Body
March 21	Adoption: Gift of Life & Love
March 28	Christian Parenting 1 & 2
April 11	Sexual Integrity
April 25	Domestic Violence
May 2	Understanding Abortion Loss
May 16	Community Resources

Congratulations to our 2014 GEMS Graduates!



Susana Toral with Baby Julian



Haydde Pintor with baby Natalia and husband Conni



Maria Fernanda Rodriguez with baby Maryfer

At the Christ Child Luncheon in November, we were honored to graduate these three beautiful moms. During the graduation, Susana shared with us: *I call this program my rock. . . . GEMS is a group who supports me, who helps me stay strong in God and guides me through the roughest paths. With my eyes on God, I will always be full of hope and faith. In this group I only see loving ladies who have shown their affection to my son and me.*

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