

CPLC Ministry Update

Activity for April 2013

Convert-to-Life - Joanne Underwood

- 94 women turned away from the five Dallas abortion centers; 48 hopeful turnaways. YTD Totals: 376 turnaways, 170 hopefuls.
- Abortion clients at all centers: 1,843; accepted SWC literature, 22.63%; accepted aftercare literature: 32.56%. Total coverage at all centers: 99.9%.
- **Presented sidewalk counseling strategies to Holy Spirit, Duncanville, Preparing the Way Church, Victory Outreach Church, as well as other Baptist churches, and addressed St. Ann, Coppell, Respect Life Ministry.**
- Assisted with Quarterly Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary Procession with 259 prayer participants outside Robinson's abortion center.

Abortion AfterCare-Healing - Eileen Kuhlmann

- Received 9 calls in Spanish and 6 calls in English to helpline and 5 emails through racheldallas.org.
- Volunteers attended the Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner and manned an informational display.
- Held team builder session on "Affirming in Christ" for our volunteers, and a support group for Spanish retreat graduates on "Domestic Violence".
- **Gave presentations on contraception, post-abortion pastoral care and Rachel's Vineyard Retreats™ to seminarians at Holy Trinity Seminary.**

Project Gabriel - Patty Sherrod

- 107 calls received on 972 BABY-DUE helpline, answered at the White Rose Women's Center.
- 2 moms were referred to Project Gabriel from Birth Choice.
- 3 babies were born to Gabriel moms.
- **Gabriel Angel Coordinator Ingrid Meyer presented on Project Gabriel at "Week for Life" event in Madrid, Spain to hundreds of clergy and lay persons.**
- Held GEMS classes on Self-Esteem and Domestic Violence.

Spanish Ministry - Aurora Tinajero

- **Participated as CPLC ambassador in "Week For Life" event in Madrid, Spain, presenting tools to implement parish pro-life awareness and activity to hundreds of clergy and lay people.**
- Met with representatives from Fort Worth Diocese to finalize plans for the August 16-19 Hispanic Congreso.
- Prepared electronic promotions of upcoming Spanish-speaking pro-life events.
- Manned a display table at women's retreat at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Dallas.

Civic Action - Michael Wagner

- Tracked legislation and administrative actions concerning life issues and received updates from Texas Catholic Conference.
- Promoted legislative action alerts via email and social media.
- **Promoted and assisted in coordinating Dallas delegation's participation in Catholic Advocacy Day in Austin, Texas on April 9.**
- Attended a post-Catholic Advocacy Day meeting with Catholic Charities and St. Vincent de Paul.

Speakers Bureau - Sheree Havlik

- Gave 35 presentations to 547 youth on Abortion, Character, Life Issues, Chastity, Dating, Marriage & Relationships, and Life: the Greatest Gift at St. Bernard, St. Augustine, John Paul II High School, Ursuline Academy, St. Patrick, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, St. Peter the Apostle, and St. Cecilia.
- **Gave 5 presentations to 84 adults on Eugenics, Euthanasia, Contraceptives as Abortifacients, Teaching Your Children Chastity, and Self-Esteem at UT Southwestern Medical School, Holy Trinity Seminary, St. Thomas Aquinas, and to a GEMS class at Angels Clinic.**

Youth For Life - Jacquelyn Smith

- Coordinated 210 youth volunteers and chaperones for set-up and evening duties at the Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner.
- **Held a "Life Talk on the Sidewalk" presentation and discussion, featuring former CPLC Sidewalk Counseling Intern Lauren Muzyka, and made Mother's Day gifts for GEMS moms at Not-So-Underground-Railroad event.**
- Confirmed dates and theme for Pro-Life Boot Camp 2013: "Roe v. Wade: 40 Years of Broken Promises."

Prayer Ministry - Patty Sherrod

- Prayers for the success of the Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner were answered with record returns.
- Held Quarterly Mass for an End to Abortion in Dallas at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Dallas with 69 people in attendance at Mass.
- **Set date for Roe Memorial Mass and related events for January 18, 2014; Bishop Farrell has made the decision to move the Mass to the Dallas Convention Center so everyone can get a seat.**

Parish Coordination - David Carr

- Assisted with parish promotion of the Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner.
- **Prepared for the May Parish Pro-Life Coordinators Meeting featuring neonatologist Dr. Eduardo Perez.**
- Helped coordinate bus travel for parish participation in Catholic Advocacy Day in Austin.
- Began preparations for the annual CPLC Volunteer Appreciation Day Picnic.