

Sharing the Beauty of Life

Inaugural Bella Vida event galvanizes Hispanic community

In September, the Catholic Pro-Life Committee debuted an outreach event and fundraiser for our Spanish-speaking community to celebrate the joy of life, aptly named *Bella Vida*.

The evening was emceed by Fr. Cruz Calderón, pastor of Santa Clara Catholic Church. Bishop Greg Kelly welcomed everyone to the event, which included dinner, music, folkloric dancers, and a powerful keynote testimony from international pro-life speaker Dr. Gloria Polo.

Bella Vida was well attended, drawing many people who were new to CPLC's mission.

"Our intent was to attract those who have not heard the pro-life message," said Hispanic Pastoral Ministry Director Aurora Tinajero. "Dr. Polo is well known for her inspiring faith journey and captivating pro-life testimony. Some listeners that night called it life-changing."

The event helped raise awareness of the pro-life mission among our Hispanic community," said Tinajero. "We created a lot of excitement, and we look forward to doing a Bella Vida event again." 🙏



Leading Our Silver Anniversary

Georgia and Marc Lyons serve as Bishop's Dinner Honorary Chairs

The Catholic Pro-Life Committee is pleased to announce Georgia and Marc Lyons as the honorary chairs for its silver anniversary Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner in April.

Georgia and Marc share Louisiana roots where they met in college and were married 45 years ago. Their two children, Kristen and Greg, were born in New Orleans. In 1985, the family moved to Dallas where they became active members of All Saints Parish. Georgia and Marc have served as leaders in the diocese, including co-chairing the fifth Bishop Farrell Invitational Golf Tournament benefiting Catholic education and The Catholic Foundation Award Dinner in 2017. Marc currently serves as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees for The Catholic Foundation.



Georgia and Marc remain busy during retirement by volunteering with several non-profit organizations. They also enjoy spending time with their two grandchildren, Grace and Noah. "Family and faith are very important to us. We cherish the sacredness of every life, and share the CPLC's commitment to saving lives, healing hearts and building families. We are humbled to be the Honorary Chairs of the 25th Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner." 🙏

Thank You!

Matching Gift Boosts End-of-Year Appeal

The 2017 End-of-Year Giving Appeal far exceeded its goal, raising more than \$165,000 due, in part, to a generous matching gift.

Donations made through Dec. 31, 2017 were doubled, enabling gifts to go further to save more lives, support more mothers, and mobilize our community for a Culture of Life!

"We are so thankful for the outpouring of generosity from our donors," said Senior Development Officer Meg Finley. "CPLC's promise to our donors is to always be good stewards of your generosity by making each dollar count toward our life-saving, life-changing ministries."



Why I support the CPLC

"As doctors of medicine we took an oath that committed us to the care of the ill and the protection of life. The CPLC and its mission reflect the same commitment to the sanctity of life to which we are committed."

– Drs. Jeff and Mayra Thompson
CPLC Life Partners and members
of the Catholic Physicians Guild
and St. Rita Parish in Dallas

Create a Legacy of Life

Consider adding the CPLC to your will to help build and sustain a Culture of Life in the future.

For information on bequests and other non-cash contributions to the CPLC, contact Becky Visosky, CPLC Executive Director at 817-658-8701.