Answering the tough questions

Teach4Life Seminar for Educators

In today's world, educators are tasked with much more than teaching reading, writing, and arithmetic. Many times, students turn to teachers for answers to life's tough questions. That's why the Catholic Pro-Life Committee's Education Ministry presented its expanded Teach4Life seminar.

The day-long, bilingual seminar welcomed all types of educators including teachers, administrators and counselors; parish catechetical leaders and youth ministers; and anyone else interested in learning more about educating on life issues. Education credits were available for licensed professional counselors and for Dallas Diocese Catechists and Deacons.

This seminar did not hold back. Expert presentations included pro-life apologetics, recognizing the signs of sexual assault, social media, bioethics, and suicide prevention. Keynote Speaker, Fr. Philip Bochanski, executive director of Courage International, discussed same-sex attraction and his apostolate that provides pastoral support for women and men.



Courage International Executive Director Fr. Philip Bochanski headlined an exceptional lineup of presenters at the Teach4Life seminar.

"Educators are seeking truthful information and guidance on how to address life issues in their classrooms," said Sheree Havlik, Education Ministry Director. "From the many positive responses we received, this seminar did not disappoint."

In the words of one attendee, the seminar was a "Great spread of how to approach relevant life issues of today. [I] loved the tools for logical approach, but also the deep roots of our Catholic faith."

Reaching more teens New Pro-Life Day Camp this Summer

For 16 years, Catholic Pro-Life Committee's Youth For Life has presented its popular, overnight Pro-Life Boot Camp. It is one of the best opportunities for youth to become involved in the work of the pro-life movement.



Day Campers present flowers at the Cemetery of the Innocents in memory of the aborted unborn.

This year, we opened up more spots in a new format: our firstever Day Camp, including many of the same favorite activities of the overnight camp, such as service projects, a visit to the Cemetery of the Innocents, praying at an abortion facility, Mass, dynamic pro-life guest speakers, and skits. Camp was held at the Nuestra Señora del Pilar Community Center which provided, among other things, picturesque and peaceful surroundings conducive to the camp.

"We are very pleased with the turnout and response to our first day camp," said Youth For Life Director Jacquelyn Smith. "The campers were engaged throughout the four days and left with a greater understanding of their role as pro-life leaders."

Will our campers recommend Pro-Life Boot Camp to others? Here's what they had to say: "It was a great experience, and we need fighters to stand up for the pro-life truth!" "There is new information I didn't know." "It really gives you good facts to remember and say to protect pro-life." "Yes, because we must convert everyone to anti-abortion." "TOTALLY! So they can learn more about the pro-life movement."