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Dear Pastor,

You may recall that last year we brought in a team of missionaries from Generation Life. We were blessed to have them and are grateful for their service this past year. This coming Spring, we are bringing in a new apostolate called *The Culture Project* to Texas. Once again we will have a team of missionaries trained in spreading pro-life and chastity messages. They will be here from February 22 through March 27. Please take the time to learn more about this wonderful apostolate at www.restoreculture.com. The Culture Project is an initiative of young people set out to restore culture through the experience of virtue. They proclaim the dignity of the human person and the richness of living sexuality integrity, inviting our culture to become fully alive.

This is a great opportunity for our parishes and schools. The Culture Project will be providing dynamic and spiritually and catechetically well-formed speakers. They are able to provide up to 5 presentations in one day offering a variety of topics for middle school, high school and college age students.

The Culture Project asks for donations to cover expenses and travel costs. This means typically \$200 for a single talk and \$300-\$500 for a full day of talks. However, the Culture Project sees it as their mission to serve the local Church and does not want fees to be an obstacle. They ask that parishes and schools ultimately simply give what they are able. I am working with the Culture Project to bring them to Texas for a month. Each parish or school that contributes a donation and brings the Culture Project to their students is contributing toward an overall fee to bring this dynamic team to our great state for this entire period. If you are even interested in bringing the Culture Project to speak to your youth, please let me know by Dec. 15. Along with the Culture Project, I will work with you to coordinate both schedule and fee. We will also gladly work with you on something tailored for your particular students.

The entire Culture Project team that will be traveling to Texas will be approved to speak through the diocesan speaker approval process. This is great opportunity to bring approved, dynamic speakers to your parish or school at an incredibly low rate. By bringing the Culture Project to your community, you are helping us to bring them to the state for an entire month. Together we can bring a vibrant and powerful pro-life and chastity message to so many young people!

Part of our reason for bringing the Culture Project to Texas is for our annual THRiVE! adult education events and teen rallies. THRiVE! is an apostolate that seeks to reach teens of all faith backgrounds, offering sex education that leads to love that will thrive, not just survive. The Culture Project will be directing these rallies in Austin, Bryan and Waco. We are so excited to have this dynamic team take the lead on this important ministry. To learn more about THRiVE! visit www.thrivetexas.org.

Thank you for all you do to build a Culture of Life and a Civilization of Love in central Texas. I hope you'll be able to partner with us in this important endeavor.

In Christ for Life,

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Director