



Gabriel's Trumpet

Quarterly Newsletter

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Letter from Ingrid

Greetings to all Gabriel Angels!

It's amazing how time passes by! It's been over a year since I joined the CPLC, and I have been privileged to see how much Project Gabriel has been a positive force in so many mothers' lives. During 2012 we worked with a total of 92 moms. Great job, Angels! It couldn't have happened without all of your love and hard work. I'm sure 2013 will be no different. Already in January, 10 new mothers joined Project Gabriel. We also have seen a growth in attendance at GEMS classes due in large part to your encouragement of your Gabriel Moms. Keep up your good work! We'd love to see more Angels accompanying their moms to GEMS. They are so proud to have you there! And remember, you are always welcome to attend, even if your mom can't make it or if you are not currently paired.

The feast of the Annunciation is March 25. What a beautiful day when the Archangel St. Gabriel appeared to Mary. Remember to say your Gabriel Angel Daily Prayer for our Gabriel Mothers and for the protection of all unborn children. As we walk with Mary over the next nine months and prepare for the birthday of the Lord Jesus, let us ask Him, through the intercession of his Most Holy Mother, to end abortion. May we, with God's grace, continue to help in transforming the lives of our Gabriel Moms through love and mercy. I thank each one of you for giving your time and dedication to this ministry. May God keep you and bless you always. – Ingrid Meyer

Upcoming Events

- "Project Life" Series: Thursdays, Feb. 7 - April 11
 - GEMS classes: Feb. 16, 23; March 2, 23; April 13, 27
 - Catholic Advocacy Day Training: Feb. 16
 - Good Friday Stations of the Cross: March 29
 - Bishop's Annual Catholic Pro-Life Dinner: April 6
 - Catholic Advocacy Day: April 9
 - Quarterly Mass & Rosary Procession: April 13
- For more info, visit www.prolifedallas.org/calendar*

Watch Gabriel Grow!

- In September
5 babies born to Gabriel Moms
8 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel
110 Baby Due calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In October
6 babies born to Gabriel Moms
3 moms paired with a Gabriel Angel
109 Baby Due calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In November *4 candidates graduated from GEMS*
2 babies born to Gabriel Moms
1 mom paired with a Gabriel Angel
85 Baby Due calls (answered at the White Rose)
- In December
2 babies born to Gabriel Moms
1 mom paired with a Gabriel Angel
106 Baby Due calls (answered at the White Rose)

Bishop's Dinner Reservations Now Open!

Join us on Saturday, April 6, for The Bishop's 20th Annual Catholic Pro-Life Dinner, at the Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas. Our featured guest is **Pattie Mallette**, known to many as the mother of mega-pop star Justin Bieber. Her story is the ultimate pro-life testimony! Despite challenging circumstances and the pressure by many around her to abort, by the grace of God and with the support of the local pro-life community, she chose life for her son Justin. Pattie is impassioned to share what she has learned from the experiences of her youth and her son's journey.

The dinner will also include a wine pull, jewelry "grab bags," exhibits and a spectacular raffle for a \$15,000 American Express Gift Card and more! We would love to have 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 in need of volunteers before and during this event. For more information, visit prolifedallas.org/dinner or call 972-267-LIFE (5433). Reservations are open. Don't delay!

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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“New” Addition to the GEMS Team

The GEMS team is evolving and becoming better all the time. After Alison Morales, our long-time GEMS Coordinator, returned to school last year, the job of scheduling classes and coordinating coaches to help our GEMS candidates meet their goal of graduation has been shared by our Education Team: Jeannette Goodman, Marilyn Kelley and Carolina Salazar. Elizabeth Garcia, a Gabriel Angel since 2007 and GEMS Coach since 2009, has now assumed the role of GEMS Head Coach, working closely with the Education Team. Of course, as a Gabriel Angel you are always welcome at our GEMS classes, whether paired with a candidate or not. Please contact Ingrid Meyer, our Gabriel Angel Coordinator, to learn the locations and times of our spring classes. Come for lunch at 11:30 and stay for class, which ends at 2:00 p.m. You'll love what you see!

Did You Know?

The White Rose Women's Center has added a third location, in addition to its locations on Central Expressway and Royal Lane. The new White Rose is located in a spot where it is desperately needed: a building behind Planned Parenthood on Greenville Avenue. This Planned Parenthood facility has been inaccessible to counselors and prayer partners since it sits at the end of a private drive. Sidewalk counselors will now be able to bring an abortion-minded client to the new White Rose. This location will primarily be a place of prayer and counseling. We are pleased to be able to partner with The White Rose in its mission to save babies and help mothers. We rejoice that another beacon of light and life is now in Dallas and pray that many hearts will be changed as a result.

Congratulations to 2012 GEMS Graduates!

On November 17, the CPLC hosted its 7th annual Christ Child Christmas Market and Luncheon. Along with Christ-centered gift shopping, guests enjoyed an inspiring program featuring Father Jason Cargo's reflection on the significance of the Annunciation when the Virgin Mary welcomed the arrival of the Christ Child, first as a child in her womb. We also celebrated four other mothers at the luncheon – our most recent graduates of the Gabriel Education Ministry & Support (GEMS) program. GEMS is an outreach of Project Gabriel, which offers mothers the opportunity to grow as parents, as professionals, and most importantly, as women of God. To learn more about this life-changing program, visit prolifedallas.org/gems.



2012 GEMS graduates
*Shaniqua Brown, Marie Mangong,
Katharine Plunkett and Zaida Aguillon*

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