

Respect Life January 2022

"When Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. [And she exclaimed], 'when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.'"
Luke 1:41, 44

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7 HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

We invite you to join us during Eucharistic Adoration from 4 pm to 5 pm in the Little Church. We invite people of all ages to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, sing songs of praise, listen to teens and children read prayers/scripture verses, and pray all will respect the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. Please join us afterward in the courtyard for games, fellowship, and s'mores provided by Youth Ministry.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 ROSARY WALK

The Legion of Mary and the Respect Life Committee invite you to join us! We will meet in front of the Little Church at 10 am, and then we will pray a Rosary as we process behind a statue of Our Lady of Fatima while walking around the neighborhoods surrounding our church. We pray all will respect the sacred gift of life from conception to natural death, for peace in our world and special intentions.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE, CONTACT:

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 ROSARY FOR LIFE/RESPECT LIFE PLANNING MEETING

We invite you to pray a virtual Rosary for Life (6:30 pm - 7 pm) and participate in the virtual Respect Life planning meeting (7 pm to 8 pm). We welcome you to join us in planning ways we can spread awareness for respect for the sacred gift of life from conception to natural death. For the Zoom link, email Denise Blair-Nellies at bill.nellies@gmail.com by Jan. 17th.

DEADLINE JANUARY 21 CARDS FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

We invite you to share Christ's love with the senior citizens at Future Care Cherrywood Nursing Home by making "God Loves You" cards for them. Please drop off the cards at the Parish Center by Friday, January 21.

THANK YOU FROM THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE FOR CARDS FOR RESIDENTS AT FUTURE CARE CHERRYWOOD NURSING HOME

We thank all who made Christmas cards for the residents of Future Care Cherrywood Nursing Home. Your gift of time and talent reminded the senior citizens of Christ's everlasting love for them.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL MASS: CELEBRATING LIFE ACROSS GENERATIONS

The Life is Beautiful Mass & Reception is the Archdiocese of Baltimore's Annual Respect Life Mass. The Archdiocese Life is Beautiful Mass takes place annually on the Sunday prior to the national March for Life. At the Mass, celebrated by the Most Reverend William E. Lori, two awardees are recognized for their outstanding pro-life work and witness with the Life is Beautiful and Culture of Life Medal of Honor awards. All attendees going to the March for Life receive an episcopal blessing at the end of the Mass. A reception follows, where Dr. Jonathan Reyes will give a dynamic talk while guests enjoy a meal with family and friends. This year's Mass will be held on Sunday, January 16, 2022 at the noon Mass at St. Louis in Clarksville. The Knights of Columbus will be honored at this Mass. The Mass will begin with a rose procession. Please R.S.V.P. for the Mass and reception by calling 410-547-5537.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21
JOIN THE ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

Join us at the 49th Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. This year's theme is "Equality Begins in the Womb." Sacred Heart Church is once again sponsoring a bus to the march. As a people of faith and life, we march to show our solidarity with the weakest and most vulnerable of human life, the unborn. The bus will leave after we attend the 9 am Mass that morning. We will return to Sacred Heart Church at approximately 6 pm. Reservations are necessary for the bus, and seats will fill up quickly.

To make your reservation, please call
Curt Beardsworth at 443-996-9436 or
Kathy Beardsworth at 410-802-2459.
See you at the March for Life!

HOLY INNOCENTS MINISTRY
(ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE)

"In this time of grief, come to the church. In these days following your loss, let us help you bury your child and offer you comfort, hope and peace."

If you have experienced a miscarriage
and would like:

- advice about what to do next
- to schedule a home visit
- information about burial and memorial options
- spiritual and emotional support

Please contact our helpline at 410-547-3142
or email us at holyinnocents@archbalt.org.
Know that your child is with God.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28
RESPECT LIFE PRAYERFUL SING ALONG

"Sing to the Lord a new song..." (Psalm 96:1)

We invite people of all ages to join us for songs, prayers, fellowship, and refreshments from 7:15 pm to 9:15 pm in Room 105. We invite you to bring a donation for the Center for Pregnancy Concerns (e.g. diapers, wipes, baby shampoo, etc.). Child care is provided. Children will make pictures for senior citizens, play games, and then join us for songs, fellowship, and snacks.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR THREE MONTH
OLD SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY

Thank you for praying for me. I'm three months old now. I'm about 3 inches long and I weigh one ounce. That's not much, but I'm fully formed and can even suck my thumb!

Love,
Your Spiritually Adopted Baby

We are at the end of the first trimester! Your spiritually adopted baby is becoming very active in the womb now. Although his mother won't feel him for another couple of months, if his mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move his tongue. He can make a tight fist if you touch his palm. He is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although he obtains the oxygen his body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce. Early this month — at just 9 weeks — he began to suck his thumb. Your prayers make a difference. Thank you for your commitment to pray for your spiritually adopted baby until he/she is born.

Uniting
in Prayer
for Life



**Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem,
welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger,
and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child.**

**We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you.
May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life.**

**Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —
especially where it is vulnerable or threatened.
Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things.
Amen.**