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ROSARY FOR LIFE

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

The Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen

The Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Glory Be (The Doxology)

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima:

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls
to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.

The Hail Holy Queen (The Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to you we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Joyful Mysteries

The Annunciation

Mary is troubled by the angel's greeting yet rejoices to do God's will. Let us pray that those who are troubled by their pregnancy may have the grace to trust in God's will.

The Visitation

John the Baptist leapt for joy in his mother's womb. We pray that people may realize that abortion is not about children who "might" come into the world but is about children who are already in the world, living and growing in the womb, and are scheduled to be killed.

The Nativity

God Himself was born as a child. The greatness of a person does not depend on size, for the newborn King is very small. Let us pray for an end to prejudice against the tiny babies threatened by abortion.

The Presentation

The Child is presented in the Temple because the Child belongs to God. Children are not the property of their parents, nor of the government.

They - and we - belong to God Himself.

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

The boy Jesus was filled with wisdom because He is God. Let us pray that all people may see the wisdom of His teachings about the dignity of life and may understand that this teaching is not an opinion, but the truth.

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Sorrowful Mysteries

The Agony in the Garden

Let us pray for mothers and fathers who are in agony because they are tempted to abort a child. May they be given the good news that there are alternatives, and may they make use of the help that is available.

The Scourging

Christ's flesh was torn during the scourging at the Pillar. We pray that babies will always remain safe in the womb of their mothers.

The Crowning with Thorns

Jesus suffered the pain of thorns in His head, and did so silently. We pray that mothers and fathers are spared grief and regret they suffer in silence over a bad choice by seeking God's forgiveness.

The Carrying of the Cross

Jesus was not condemned by the power of wicked people. He was condemned because of the silence of good people. Silence always helps the oppressor, never the victim. Let us pray that we may never be silent about abortion, but rather will clearly speak up to save babies from death.

The Crucifixion

As we ponder the death of Christ, let us ask God's forgiveness and mercy for the many men and women who have made this tragic mistake.

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Glorious Mysteries

The Resurrection

Christ is Risen! By his Resurrection, He has destroyed the power of death, and therefore the power of abortion. The outcome of the battle for Life has already been decided: Life is victorious! Let us pray that all pro lifers will spread this victory to every segment of our society so that all parents choose life.

The Ascension

By ascending to the Father's Throne, Christ takes our human nature, given to us in the womb, to the heights of heaven. He shows us that human beings are made to be raised to heaven because each one is special in God's eyes. Let us pray that the world learns this truth and will always choose life.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Advocate: He pleads our cause, for we cannot save ourselves. We pray that He will make us advocates for the babies, who cannot speak or write or vote or protest or even pray.

The Assumption

The Blessed Virgin Mary was taken body and soul into heaven because she is the Mother of God. Mother and child are united. The Assumption reminds us that they belong together. We pray society will see that we must love and help both mother and child.

The Coronation

Mary is the Queen of the Universe. The Church teaches that she is the greatest creature, second only to God Himself. The Church defends the dignity of women. We pray that people will understand that to be pro-life means to be pro-woman, and that to be pro-woman demands that we be pro-life.

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Luminous Mysteries

Christ is Baptized in the Jordan

When Jesus is baptized, the Father's voice is heard: "This is my beloved Son." All are called to become adopted sons and daughters of God through baptism. We pray that children in the womb may be protected, so that they may be born and welcomed into the Christian community by baptism.

Christ is made known at the Wedding of Cana

Jesus revealed His glory by the miracle at Cana. The new couple was blessed not only with wine, but with faith in Christ. Let us pray for strong marriages, rooted in the Lord and open to the gift of new life.

Christ proclaims the Kingdom and Calls All to Conversion

"Repent and believe the Good News." Let us pray that these first words of Jesus' public ministry may be heard by all who have committed abortion. May they know that the Lord calls them to conversion, and may they experience life-giving repentance.

The Transfiguration

Christ is transformed on the mountain, and the disciples see His glory. May the eyes of all people be transformed, that they may see each and every human life as a reflection of the glory of God Himself.

Jesus gives us the Eucharist.

This is my Body given up for you. The Eucharist teaches us how to live and how to love. Let us pray that parents will always choose life.

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF LIFE

The Response is: *Mary, pray for us.*

Mary, Mother of all Life,
help us to respect human life from the moment of conception
to the moment of natural death. **R.**

Mary, Mother of Compassion,
You showed us how valuable a single life can be;
Help us to guard and protect the lives of all people entrusted to our care. **R.**

Mary, Mother of the Child Jesus,
with St. Joseph you formed the Holy Family.
Guard and protect all families in this earthly life; **R.**

Mary, Mother Most Holy,
You sanctified the vocation of motherhood;
Pour out your heavenly aid on all mothers and help them to be holy. **R.**

Mary, Mother of Sorrows,
Simeon's prophecy foretold that a sword of suffering would pierce your
heart;
Bring comfort and hope to all mothers who suffer over their children. **R.**

Mary, Full of Grace,
You had a choice in responding to God's call;
Help us always to say "Yes" to the will of God in our lives,
And strive always to do whatever he tells us. **R**

Mary, Comforter of the Afflicted,
Pour forth your heavenly grace on all who are in need of God's healing,
Especially those involved in abortion;
Help them to experience the love and mercy of Christ, your Son. **R.**

Mary, Intercessor and Advocate,
We lift up the poor, the displaced, the marginalized and vulnerable

members of society;

Help them to never abandon hope, but to place their trust in the God who gave them life. **R.**

Mary, Mother of the Word Incarnate, you bore in your womb Him whom the heavens cannot contain; Help us to bear witness to Christ by the example of our lives and show the world the extravagant love of God. **R.**

All:

Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer them. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

God Our Father, Giver of life, we entrust

The United States of America to your loving care.

You are the rock on which this nation was founded.

You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life,

liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for

Your glory and dwell among your people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our

nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth

of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human

freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is

rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary, Immaculate, Patroness of our land,
grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death".

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

AMEN

CHAPLET OF THE UNBORN

After each set of intentions pray one Our Father and three Hail Marys
for the following intentions:

1. The recognition by all, that God creates human life at the moment of conception.
2. For an end to all legalized abortion.
3. For all expectant mothers – that they value the precious life within them.
4. For the conviction of conscience in Truth for anyone considering abortion.
5. For an inner healing for all who have been involved in any way with abortion: Mothers and Fathers, Health Caregivers and Legislators; and those who in their thoughts, words or lack of action, have supported abortion.

At the end, say the following:

Heavenly Father heal the many wounds abortion has caused in our hearts,
in the world, and in our relationship with You. Unite us in Truth.

Amen

THE CHAPLET OF ST. MICHAEL

O God, come to my assistance. O Lord, make haste to help me. Glory be to the Father and to the Son.....

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Seraphim may the Lord make us worthy to burn with the fire of perfect charity. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Cherubim may the Lord grant us the grace to leave the ways of sin and run in the paths of Christian perfection. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Thrones may the Lord infuse into our hearts a true and sincere spirit of humility. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Dominations may the Lord give us grace to govern our senses and overcome any unruly passions. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Virtues may the Lord preserve us from evil and falling into temptation. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Powers may the Lord protect our souls against the snares and temptations of the devil. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Principalities may God fill our souls with a true spirit of obedience. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Archangels may the Lord give us perseverance in faith and in all good works in order that we may attain the glory of Heaven. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Angels may the Lord grant us to be protected by them in this mortal life and conducted in the life to come in Heaven. Amen. Our Father and one Hail Mary.

Say one Our Father in honor of each of the following hierarchy of Angels: St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael and our own Guardian angel.

Concluding Prayer:

O glorious prince St. Michael, chief and commander of the heavenly hosts, guardian of souls, vanquisher of rebel spirits, servant in the house of the Divine King and our admirable conductor, you who shine with excellence and superhuman virtue deliver us from all evil, who turn to you with confidence and enable us by your gracious protection to serve God more and more faithfully every day.

Pray for us, O glorious St. Michael, Prince of the Church of Jesus Christ, that we may be made worthy of His promises.

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who, by a prodigy of goodness and a merciful desire for the salvation of all men, has appointed the most glorious Archangel St. Michael Prince of Your Church, make us worthy, we ask You, to be delivered from all our enemies, that none of them may harass us at the hour of death, but that we may be conducted by him into Your Presence. This we ask through the merits of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

PRO-LIFE STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Stations 1 through 7)

First Station: Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to feel sorrow and distress. Then he said to them, "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me." He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer,

saying, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will.” When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter, “So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Prayer:

In your agony, Lord, your must have felt alone and afraid. Even your most beloved—Peter, James, and John—could not keep watch with you. Each day, Lord Jesus, thousands of babies are killed, participants in your passion. Each day, Lord Jesus, those who have grown very old, alone and abandoned, participate in your passion. Keep us awake, O Lord, that we might watch with you and accept the cup God gives to us in every moment of our lives. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Second Station: Jesus is Betrayed by Judas and Arrested

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Then, while [Jesus] was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a crowd with swords and clubs, who had come from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. His betrayer had arranged a signal with them, saying, “The man I shall kiss is the one; arrest him and lead him away securely.” He came and immediately went over to him and said, “Rabbi.” And he kissed him. At this they laid hands on him and arrested him.

Prayer:

Hear our prayer, heavenly Father, for all who cooperate in the evil of abortion. For nurses and clerks, for doctors and aides, for relatives and friends, for spouses and parents: Give them clear vision, Lord, to see the evil before them, Give them the grace of repentance and true contrition, that they may turn from their sin and vow to never cooperate with this evil again. We ask this through him who is our Truth, Christ the Lord. Amen.

Third Station: Jesus is Condemned by the Sanhedrin

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

When day came the council of elders of the people met, both chief priests and scribes, and they brought him before their Sanhedrin. They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us," but he replied to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question, you will not respond. But from this time on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." They all asked, "Are you then the Son of God?" He replied to them, "You say that I am." Then they said, "What further need have we for testimony? We have heard it from his own mouth."

Prayer:

They so desired your death, Lord Jesus, that they bent the truth to kill you. Banish from our hearts the hate that wishes to kill, and all desire to be seduced by violent revenge. To the killer give the grace of repentance, and to the victim the desire for justice and mercy. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Fourth Station: Jesus is Denied by Peter

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. One of the maids came over to him and said, "You too were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it in front of everyone, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about!" As he went out to the gate, another girl saw him and said to those who were there, "This man was with Jesus the Nazorean." Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man!" A little later the bystanders came over and said to Peter, "Surely you too are one of them; even your speech gives you away." At that he began to curse and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately a cock crowed. Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had spoken: "Before the cock crows you will deny me three times." He went out and began to weep bitterly.

Prayer:

Hear our prayer, O merciful Lord, for every child betrayed by those who should be first to love them. Grant eternal peace to the innocent victims of abortion, and gently soften the hearts of the parents who took their lives. Grant them repentance, healing and peace. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Fifth Station: Jesus before Pilate

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

The chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin, held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so." The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him, "Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of." Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. ... Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barrabas... [and] handed [Jesus] over to be crucified.

Prayer:

Hear our prayer for all judges, Lord, and especially for those who sit upon the highest court in our land. Unlike Pilate, may they see whom their decisions may kill and put aside all earthly pride, embracing only the wisdom that comes from you. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Sixth Station: Jesus is Scourged and Crowned with Thorns

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged. And the soldiers wove a crown out of thorns and placed it on his head, and clothed him in a purple cloak, and they came to him and said, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they

struck him repeatedly.

Prayer:

Hear our prayers for all we crown with thorns, O Lord: especially for the elderly, whom we scourge with our neglect. Fill our hearts with a love for them. In their weakness, may we see your suffering, in their pain may we find your cross. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Seventh Station: Jesus Carries the Cross

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

When the chief priests and the guards saw [Jesus] they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him. I find no guilt in him." ... They cried out, "Take him away, take him away! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your king?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and carrying the cross himself he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha.

Prayer:

As you carried the cross, Lord, you fell again and again. Hear our prayer for all who bear the weight of fatal diseases. May their love for life give them hope, and their confidence in the creator of life bring them joy. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

PRO-LIFE STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Stations 8 through 14)

Eighth Station: Jesus is Helped by Simon the Cyrenian to Carry the Cross

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

Prayer:

We share in your way of sorrows, Lord, whenever we are ridiculed for our defense of those little ones whom everyone else has forgotten. Be with those who seek to carry your cross wherever life is threatened, and when they are tempted by despair, send an angel to assist them with their burden. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Ninth Station: Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

A large crowd of people followed Jesus, including many women who mourned and lamented him. Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep instead for yourselves and for your children, for indeed, the days are coming when people will say, 'Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed.' At that time, people will say to the mountains, 'Fall upon us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us!' for if these things are done when the wood is green what will happen when it is dry?"

Prayer:

You loved the women of Jerusalem, Lord, as you loved their children. Yet you warned them of the dire evil which threatened to destroy their lives and their very souls. Open the ears of all women to your plea for life, O Lord. Grant them the grace to turn away from the tragedy of abortion and to walk with you this way of the cross. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Tenth Station: Jesus is Crucified

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. [Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."]

Luke 23: 33-34

Prayer:

Could there be any greater sin, O Lord, than nailing the innocent Son of God to the cross? Yet still today, we slaughter innocent children in their mother's wombs. Deliver us from this madness, O Lord, and teach us how we might preach the Gospel of Life through the merits of your Passion and Glorious Cross. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Eleventh Station: Jesus Promises His Kingdom to the Good Thief

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Prayer:

Grant repentance, O Lord, to all who have sinned against the Gospel of Life: to doctors who abort, parents who abandon their children, those who would execute prisoners, or euthanize the old. To researchers who refuse to follow your will, or those who would profit on the sufferings of others: give a full portion of your grace and your mercy, that they too might turn from their sin and find you, who are Lord forever and ever. Amen.

Twelfth Station: Jesus Speaks to His Mother and the Disciples

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

Prayer:

A mother's love, O Lord, is like no other. So you entrusted the youngest apostle to the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Entrust the child in her mother's womb to the Blessed Mother, Lord, Entrust the prisoner who sits on death row to her care. Entrust the work of the scientist who seeks a cure to her, and the life of the old man in a hospital bed, as well. May we all live under the protection of Mary, our mother, from our conception to natural death. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Thirteenth Station: Jesus Dies on the Cross

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last.

Prayer:

Be with all who die today Lord, and bring the merits of your Passion to their aid. To those who die alone, send an angel of peace. To those who die of violence, cradle them in your arms. To all who die, grant the mercy and peace of the Gospel of Life that they may rest in you, through whom they were born, and with whom, we pray, they might live forever. Amen.

Fourteenth Station: Jesus is Placed in the Tomb

R. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

V. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader:

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph, who was himself a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be handed over. Taking the body, Joseph wrapped it [in] clean linen and laid it in his new tomb that he had hewn in the rock. Then he rolled a huge stone across the entrance to the tomb and departed.

Prayer:

Your tomb, Lord Jesus, was not an end. In the glory of the paschal morning your empty tomb stood testament to your glorious destruction of sin and death. Destroy the culture of death, O Lord: Obliterate it in the light of your risen glory, that all who live and breathe might give you glory and celebrate the miracle of the life they have received from you. For you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

LITANY TO JESUS IN THE WOMB OF MARY

Response for each of the following: *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, knit so wonderfully in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, uniquely human from the moment of conception in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, word made flesh, taking on a human body in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, subject to human development in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, whose Precious Blood first flowed through tiny arteries and veins in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, hidden nine months in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, begotten by God, nourished by the substance and blood of Your Most Holy Mother in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, leaping from eternity into time, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, revealing with Your Father and the Holy Spirit all wisdom and knowledge to Your Most Holy Mother, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, aware of Your role as Redeemer in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, Eternal Word, Divine Child, embraced by the Father, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, raising Your Mother to the heights of sanctification, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, everlasting delight of heaven, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, manifesting Your Incarnation to Your Holy Mother, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, adored and contemplated by Your Mother in the sanctuary of her womb...**R**

Jesus, before whom the angels prostrated themselves, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, in whom the very angels beheld the humanity of the Infant God and the union of the two natures of the Word in the virginal womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, whose Holy Limbs first budded in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, whose Godhead the world cannot contain, weighing only a few grams in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, Divine Immensity, once measuring only tenths of an inch in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, Sacrificial Lamb, Docile Infant in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, who was to suffer the agony and passion of death, accepting the human capacity for pain and grief, in the womb of Mary...**R**

Jesus, Lamb of God in the womb of Mary,
Spare us, O Lord.

Jesus, Holy Innocent in the womb of Mary,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Jesus, Son of God and Messiah in the womb of Mary,
Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Let us pray:

God, our creator, you formed us as women and men,
equal partners in the stewardship of your world:
joined forever as sisters and brothers,
yet within each of us lives a rich diversity of different gifts,

different hopes and different limitations.

In Jesus, your word born fully in our flesh,

you have seen and loved in us all that you have made us to be.

Though graced, we are limited and often weak.

But our weaknesses themselves are no obstacle to your passion for us.

Teach us to see in ourselves what you have seen in each of us from birth.

Teach us to know our gifts and limits.

Keep us confidently on the path of self-knowledge,

fullness of wisdom, and joy in being your children.

We ask this through Christ and the Holy Spirit, with you,

One God, forever and ever.

Amen.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Sign of the Cross:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening Prayer

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in you!

Repeat three times:

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Repeat three times:

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Eternal Father:

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your Dearly Beloved Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Say Ten Times:

For the sake of his sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world

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Holy God: (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Closing Prayer:

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is love and mercy itself.

PRO-LIFE LITANY (Esper)

One Catholic form of prayer is the litany, in which one phrase is repeated over and over again. So that those praying are caught up in the prayer itself. This Pro-Life Litany combines both general concepts and specific intentions appropriate for us here today.

Please Repeat:

Lord Have Mercy.....

Christ Have Mercy.....

Lord Have Mercy.....

Response for each is: Have Mercy on Us

God the Father in Heaven.....R

God the Son, Redeemer of the world.....R

God the Holy Spirit.....R

Holy Trinity, one God.....R

Response for each is: We turn to You, O Lord

On behalf of unborn children everywhere.....R

On behalf of abused or neglected infants and children.....R

On behalf of children who have been made to feel unloved or unwanted...R

On behalf of children trapped in poverty.....R

On behalf of children whose lives are scarred by violence.....R

On behalf of children who suffer from poor health or disease.....R

On behalf of children who lack adequate food, shelter, clothing, or education.....R

On behalf of mothers and fathers who are struggling to care for their children.....R

On behalf of parents who have no one to help them.....R

On behalf of parents who have lost a child to violence.....R

On behalf of parents who feel overwhelmed by their responsibilities.....R

On behalf of parents who grieve over their children's suffering.....R

On behalf of unwed mothers trying to do the right thing.....R

On behalf of women who feel pressured into having an abortion.....R

On behalf of fathers who are given no say in whether their unborn children live or die.....R

On behalf of women who now regret having an abortion.....R

On Behalf of men who now regret having arranged an abortion for their wives, girlfriends, or daughters.....R

On behalf of medical personnel who now regret their involvement in any form of abortion.....R

On behalf of all survivors of abortion.....R

On behalf of politicians who opposed abortion at the risk of their own political careers.....R

On behalf of those leaders in our society who are trying to respect the gift of life.....R

On behalf of the unsung heroes of the pro-life movement.....R

On behalf of our prolife friends who have gone before us into the new life of Your Kingdom.....R

On behalf of all Americans who seek to cherish and defend your gift of life.....R

Response for each is: Forgive us, O Lord

For the times we have not appreciated Your gift of life.....R

For our failures to respect and acknowledge the dignity of others.....R

For the way we've not done our part to defend human life.....R

For failing to take seriously our responsibilities as citizens....R

For the ways we've relied only on ourselves, and not on Your grace.....R

For the times we've been silent instead of speaking out in defense of life.....R

For the ways we've not shown enough compassion for all of the victims of abortion.....R

On behalf of our society and its efforts to devalue human life and dignity...R

On behalf of our nation and its failure to extend legal protection to the unborn.....R

On behalf of our world and the constant violence it allows against innocent men, women, children, and the unborn.....R

Response for each is: Deliver us, O Lord

From those who argue for choice but refuse to give all children the choice to be born.....R

From those who claim to favor equal rights but who deny these rights to the unborn.....R

From religious leaders who excuse or defend attacks upon Christ's gift of life.....R

From a spirit of indifference and apathy that afflicts so many of our fellow citizens.....R

From a blasphemous misuse of religion which tries to justify killing the innocent in Christ's name.....R

From an unwillingness on the part of so many Christians to be active in defending all human life.....R

From a spirit of despair which may make us forget that Your Kingdom will come.....R

Lastly, the response is: We praise You, O Lord

For the millions of Americans who are willing to march, demonstrate, and pray on behalf of the unborn.....R

For our brothers and sisters willing to gather peacefully and pray, and give witness outside abortion clinics.....R

For the dedicated volunteers serving right-to-life offices and crisis pregnancy centers and community agencies, church committees, and national organizations.....R

For doctors, nurses, and other medical personnel who remain true to their consciences by serving human life rather than assaulting it.....R

For elected leaders, politicians, judges, and other officials who have the courage and integrity to act upon their pro-life beliefs.....R

For media consultants, authors, lawyers, businesspeople, and other professionals who donate their time and expertise to pro-life causes.....R

For religious leaders willing to speak out and provide moral guidance to their people.....R

For reporters and the members of the media who try to report the news honestly and fairly.....R

For all those who support the right-to-life movement with their money, time, and prayers.....R

For those citizens of our country who are willing to hear the truth and act upon it.....R

For mothers and fathers who cherish the gift of their children.....R

For all those who work with the young.....R

For families who love, nourish, and respect one another.....R

For the gifts of wonder, innocence, and love each new child brings into the world.....R

For the gifts of wisdom, experience, and perspective each older person offers to our society.....R

For the talents, abilities, and potential present in each person on earth.....R

For making each one of us in Your own image and likeness.....R

For every sunrise and every sunset, for every new day and every peaceful night, for the beauty of nature and the joy of life.....R

For the seasons of nature and the seasons of life, for the present moment and for the passing of years.....R

For our faith in You and our unity with one another.....R

For allowing us to unite and pray together in Your name.....R

For calling us to work together in the grace and power of Your spirit.....R

And for offering us the gift of eternal life in Your Kingdom.....R

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Show our nation the way to peace – a peace which can only come by proclaiming Your truth and by cherishing Your gift of life. May Your Kingdom come, and may Your Name be praised forever and ever.

Amen

LITANY FOR LIFE (USCCB)

Based on 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:8a

Lord, love is patient.

Give to the mother who is tempted to abort her child the patience to endure the suffering that will bring forth new life.

Lord, love is kind.

Give to the new father whose friends tell him to abort his child the gentleness, compassion and courage to support his wife and child, protect them from all that could harm them, and sustain them against selfishness and hate.

Lord, love is not jealous.

Remove from all human hearts the temptation to trade human life for advantage, convenience or personal benefit. Deliver us from the expediency that values personal gain and pleasure over the dignity of human life.

Lord, love is not pompous.

Deliver us from the arrogance that sees our needs or wants as superior to the rights of others. Help us to see all our brothers and sisters as worthy of all of our love.

Lord, love is not inflated.

Grant us a share in the humility of your Son, who sought not to be served, but to serve. Help us to see in every human life, rich or poor, young or old, guilty or innocent, a reflection of your image and likeness.

Lord, love is not rude.

Implant a spirit of gentle compassion in the hearts of each of your sons and daughters, Lord, that no person may ever be treated as less than the child of God which you have made them, through the Paschal Death and Resurrection of your only-begotten Son.

Lord, love does not seek its own interests.

Give to all who govern us, Lord, a generous spirit, that our country may not so much seek to be great as to be good, to be rich in possessions as to be rich in mercy, or to be renowned as to be renowned for justice and truth for all.

Lord, love is not quick-tempered.

Grant that by our prudence and patience we might learn to live that sacrificial love by which your Son died for us on the Cross, that all men and women might know our kindness and willingness to love them unto death after the model of our Lord and Savior.

Lord, love does not brood over injury.

Give us the grace of mercy, Lord, that like your Son we might forgive those who sin against us, seeking only their redemption and eternal happiness. Forgive the abortionist who takes the life of an unborn child. Move his heart, grant him the grace of repentance, and give us a full share in your mercy.

Lord, love does not rejoice over wrongdoing.

Help us to seek only the redemption of wrongdoers, Lord, and remove from

our hearts all desire for vengeance and hate. Help us to desire not revenge, even for the horrors of abortion, but the repentance and happiness of all your children.

Lord, love rejoices with the truth.

Implant deep within our hearts a sense of the joy of the Gospel of Life, and make us joy-filled evangelists of your great gift of life.

Lord, love bears all things.

When we are insulted or reviled for the sake of the Gospel of Life, give us the courage and the innocence of the children of God. Help us, Lord, to suffer for the sake of your truth, and never to seek our own good, even in the good work we do.

Lord, love believes all things

Deliver us from every temptation to despair, Lord. When we are discouraged, give us the grace to trust in your mercy and to know that your love is ever victorious, even in the face of darkness, death, and hate.

Lord, love hopes all things.

As we trust in your infinite love, O Lord, give us the trust that comes from the Gospel, and help us to cling to that sure and certain hope that for those who love God all things come to good.

Lord, love endures all things.

In the face of death, destruction, and a culture of death, never let us lose sight of the beauty of the face of your only-begotten Son, Our Lord, who suffered the torments of his Passion and Death for the sake of our sins. Let

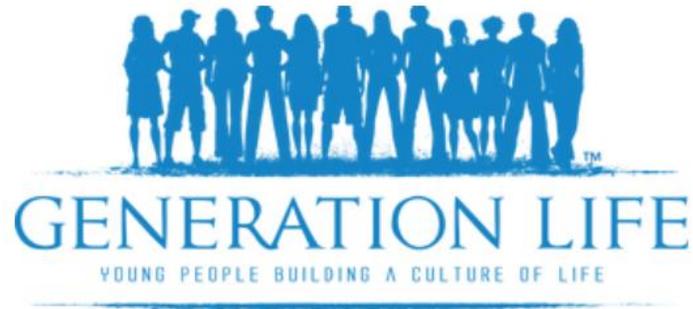
us trust that through his Passion we will have the strength to do your will and to carry each cross that comes our way for the glory of God and the love of his little ones.

Lord, love never fails.

When the crusade for life seems unending and our latest initiatives have failed, when our hearts are filled with sadness or anger or fear, come to our aid, O Lord, and give us the assurance that you are ever with us, that your mercies will not end, and that you, our Creator and our God, will bring victory to all who seek to love as you have commanded them.

Amen.

GENERATION LIFE PRESENTATION



Our Past Does Not Define Our Future: “Building a Culture of Life in Uncertainty.”

Generation Life is a dynamic movement of young people committed to building a Culture of Life by spreading the Pro-Life and Chastity messages.

Director of Mission Advancement Glenna Walsh and Villanovans for Life President Dominic Sceski will share their testimonies and experiences sharing the messages of life and love with fellow young people.

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Saturday, January 23rd

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

(attend anytime during these hours)

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Pike.**

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Masks and distancing will be required to participate.

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