

1. Opening prayer

Heavenly Father, the beauty and dignity of human life was the crowning of your creation. You further ennobled that life when your Son became one with us in his incarnation. Help us to realize the sacredness of human life and to respect it from the moment of conception until the last moment at death. Give us courage to speak with truth and love and with conviction in defense of life. Help us to extend the gentle hand of mercy and forgiveness to those who do not reverence your gift of life. To all, grant pardon for the times we have failed to be grateful for your precious gift of life or to respect it in others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

2. Unplanned Movie screening — October 17h, 6:30 PM, back of Church.

Should we have a sign up sheet after Mass throughout October? We will need bulletin and pulpit announcements beginning the weekend of October. 1st and 2nd. Please everyone attend and also encourage your friends and family to attend. I have seen this movie, it is extremely good. It dispels so many of the myths surrounding the abortion industry.

3. Respect Life Month and Respect Life Sunday

a. Saturday October 1st to Monday October 31st, with October 1st and 2nd being Respect Life Sunday.

Baby bottles will be handed out after every Mass. Could everyone help at their regular Mass of you go to St. Celestine's? St. Cyprian's is just a matter of replenishing baskets, which I will find some Cyprian's folks for. So for Celestine's we need 2 people per Mass:

10/1 5:00 pm

10/2 7:30 am

10/2 11:00 am

Ministry fair – There will also be a ministry fair. Normally we have a table. I will provide further information as I receive it.

b. Artwork from school kids — Donna Novicelli, our newest member, is the art teacher and has requested artwork for us. It will be placed in the vestibules during the week of 9/26. Anybody who wants to help, contact Paul.

c. Respect Life Rosary — Let's contact Lina about joining her for her Rosary again this month.

d. 40 Days for Life — It is more important than ever that we promote this activity at the Parish and it would be great if we could try for a few folks making a joint vigil on one Saturday during October. Materials will be placed in the bulletin, pulpit announcements, and at Church urging parishioners to participate. Commencement is listed as September 28, cessation November 6.

e. Recruitment speaker — We can speak briefly after each Mass Oct. 7th-8th. Volunteers? I can write a script. We will keep it to 2 minutes max.

4. Walking with Moms in Need — Dawn Fitzpatrick spoke about this initiative at the September 12th parish council meeting.

6. Closing prayer

O gentle Jesus, through whom all life came to be,
hear our prayers for all men and women.
Hear our prayers for the great and powerful.
Hear our prayers for the weak and broken.
Hear our prayers for the littlest and most innocent.
Hear our prayer for tall human cedars
and the very littlest of human flowers.
May all see in each the souls so precious to You,
and through the intercession of Saint Thérèse may each of them be kept saved and loved.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Article for the month:

Important article at LifeSiteNews.com:

<https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/planned-parenthoods-latest-annual-report-more-abortion-services-fever-health-services/>