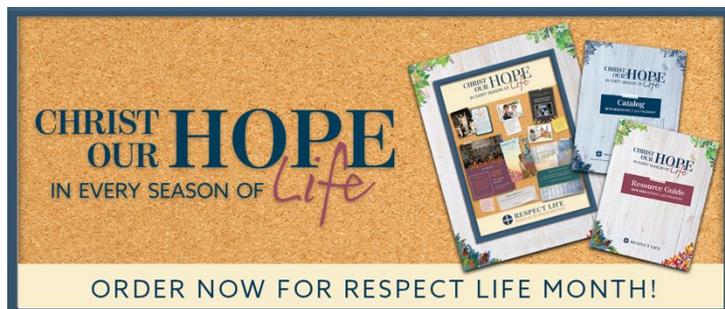


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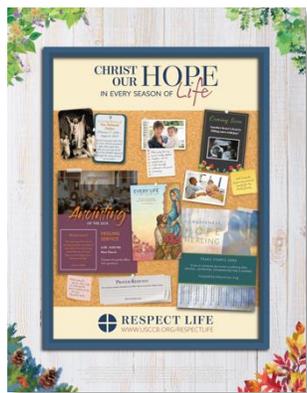
## Respect Life Month



The 2019–20 Respect Life Program resources have been developed to assist you in helping Catholics understand, value, and become engaged with building a culture that cherishes every human life.

A variety of materials are available to [order in print](#) or to download [online](#)!

## Featured Resources



- [Respect Life Month Action Guide](#) (action ideas, homily helps, a sample timeline & more!)
- [2019-20 Respect Life Reflection](#)
- [Bulletin Cover](#) | [Bulletin Wrapper](#)
- [Homily Helps](#)
- [Bulletin Boxes](#)

## Sample Pulpit Announcements

### **Option 1: Respect Life Sunday (October 6)**

This weekend, the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Sunday, kicking off Respect Life Month. See this week's bulletin for more information and a short reflection on this year's theme.

### **Option 2: Respect Life Month**

Each October, the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month. See this week's bulletin for more information and a short reflection on this year's theme, "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life."

## Sample Bulletin Announcements

### **Option 1: Respect Life Sunday (October 6)**

#### **Today is Respect Life Sunday!**

Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating the kickoff of Respect Life Month. Find the reflection on this year's theme, "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life" by visiting [respectlife.org/reflection](http://respectlife.org/reflection).

### **Option 2: Respect Life Month**

#### **October is Respect Life Month!**

Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating throughout October. Learn more about upholding the sanctity of every human life at [respectlife.org/respect-life-month](http://respectlife.org/respect-life-month).

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### Intercessions for Life

#### October 6<sup>th</sup>

For all Catholics:  
That on this Respect Life Sunday  
we may recommit ourselves  
to upholding the dignity  
of every human life;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**  
*(Observed in the U.S. as  
Respect Life Sunday)*

#### October 13<sup>th</sup>

For all who have been wounded  
by participating in abortion:  
May they receive healing in  
Christ's mercy and glorify the Lord;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

#### October 20<sup>th</sup>

For those who work to defend human life:  
May they persevere in their efforts,  
always seeking the help of the Lord,  
the giver of life;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**Twenty-ninth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

#### October 27<sup>th</sup>

During this Respect Life Month and always,  
may our hope in Christ's resurrection  
strengthen us in standing up for  
the gift of human life;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

**Thirtieth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

## Bulletin Quotes

### October 6<sup>th</sup>

“When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
2019-20 Respect Life Reflection  
[www.respectlife.org/reflection](http://www.respectlife.org/reflection)

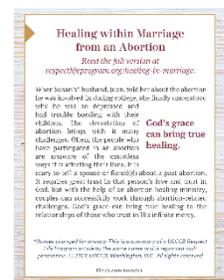


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### October 13<sup>th</sup>

“With the help of an abortion healing ministry, couples can successfully work through abortion-related challenges. God’s grace can bring true healing to the relationships of those who trust in His infinite mercy.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Healing within Marriage from an Abortion”  
[www.respectlife.org/healing-in-marriage](http://www.respectlife.org/healing-in-marriage)



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### October 20<sup>th</sup>

“This year’s theme, *Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life*, is particularly suited for the times in which we live. The attacks against human life seem to grow more numerous and callous by the day. Despite these challenges, we know that Christ has conquered sin and death once and for all. Through our Christian hope in the Resurrection, we are given the grace to persevere in faith. Our sacrifices on behalf of the Gospel of Life can contribute to the redemption of this current culture of death.”

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, Chairman  
USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities  
<https://www.respectlife.org/letter-from-our-chairman>



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### October 27<sup>th</sup>

“An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it's important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her... Your support might be the only support she receives. Even if we never know how, the smallest things we do can change someone's life. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,  
“10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting”  
[www.respectlife.org/support-her](http://www.respectlife.org/support-her)



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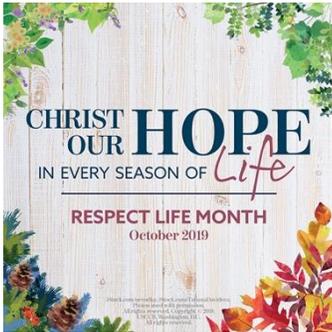
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### Bulletin Art

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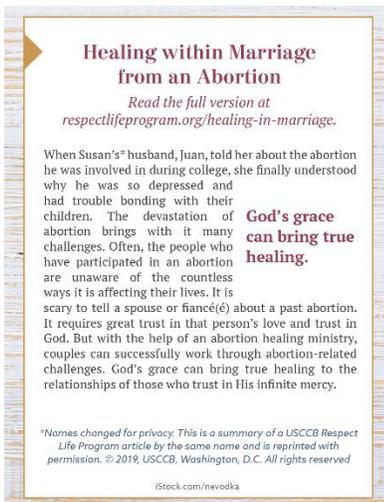
#### Featuring Reflection: “Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life”



- Respect Life Reflection: [PDF](#) | [Word](#)
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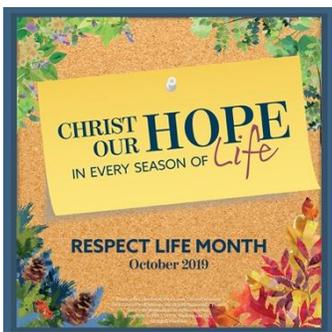
### Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

#### Featuring “Healing within Marriage from an Abortion”



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### Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019



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