



WORD OF LIFE

March 2006

Intercessions for Life

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March 5th FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

For doctors and all who have assisted
in the abortion of a child,
or in the suicide of a person who was old or weak:
that they might turn from the shadow of death
and embrace the light of the Gospel of Life;
We pray to the Lord:

March 12th SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

For those who are old and sick and in pain:
that they might seek solace in the cross of Christ,
and trust every day in our love and respect
for the great gift which they are to us;
We pray to the Lord:

March 19th THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

That through the intercession of Our Lady of the
Annunciation,
all expectant mothers might trust
in the love of God for the child in their womb;
We pray to the Lord:

March 26th FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

That God might give us the grace
to repent of all sins against life,
to renounce all shadows of the culture of death
and to rejoice in the Gospel of Life which God has given to us;
We pray to the Lord:



“None of us know what will happen on our planet, in our Europe, in the next 50, 60 or 70 years, but there is something of which we are certain: that the family of God will always be present and that those who belong to this family are never alone, but have the sure friendship of him who is life.”

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily for the Baptism of the Lord, 2006

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