



WORD OF LIFE

October 2007

Intercessions for Life

OCTOBER 2007

Oct 7th TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For the prisoner who awaits his death,
under pain of capital punishment:
that we might work to give him the time he needs
to repent and believe
until the moment of his natural death;
We pray to the Lord:

Oct 14th SUN TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For young people who have fallen in love:
that they might learn the meaning of true love,
and be willing to sacrifice for each other
and for their future children;
We pray to the Lord:

Oct 21st TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For the parents of pregnant teens:
for patient endurance, perduring love,
and deep faith in the God who gave their grandchild life;
We pray to the Lord:

Oct 28th THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For seminarians and novices:
that they might come to love the Gospel of Life
and learn to preach it with compassion and conviction;
We pray to the Lord:



“The pressures to legalize abortion...the interest in more refined biotechnological research...a new wave of discriminatory eugenics ...efforts are multiplying to legalize cohabitation...In these situations the conscience, sometimes overwhelmed by the powerful collective media, is insufficiently vigilant concerning the gravity of the problems at play, and the power of the strongest weakens and seems to paralyze even people of good will.”

Pope Benedict XVI to the Pontifical Academy of Life (February, 2007)

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Every human life is sacred and a unique gift, and during this Respect Life month I invite you to not just respect life, but to love it and defend it! If there's something in the Church's teachings on life issues or sexual ethics that you don't agree with, then give the Church a chance by examining why She teaches as She does. You might be surprised by what you learn. But don't do it for the sake of the Church. Do it for yourself. You are too precious in God's eyes not to.

Rev. Timothy S. Reid, Homily, St. Matthew Catholic Church, Charlotte, N.C. (October 1, 2006)

From the moment of our conception, God does not see us superficially as a microscopic, unformed cell. In every child, born or unborn, God sees the individual he created to love, and be loved by, for all eternity.

Flyer, Respect Life Program (2007)

LIKE THE SUFFERING SERVANT, THE PERSON WITH MENTAL ILLNESS MAY EXPERIENCE SCORN, REJECTION, LONELINESS AND DEPRIVATION, AS OUR LORD DID THROUGHOUT HIS PUBLIC LIFE LEADING HIM TO THE CROSS.

FR. RICHARD GILL, L.C., "THE PERSON WITH MENTAL ILLNESS," *RESPECT LIFE PROGRAM* (2007)

The volume of abortions underscores the social nature of the problem, and makes abortion one of the most serious social justice issues of all time.

Thomas D. Williams, L.C., "Abortion and Catholic Social Teaching," *Respect Life Program* (2007)