



WORD OF LIFE

March 2007

Intercessions for Life

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March 4th SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

For the safety of all children:
that God might give us the grace
to recognize the infinite value of every human life,
from conception to natural death;
We pray to the Lord:

March 11th THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

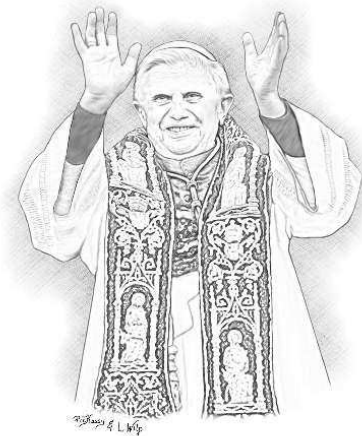
For scientists,
that they may use their God-given talents
to alleviate suffering and participate in God's creative love;
We pray to the Lord:

March 18th FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

That by prayer and penance,
all Catholics might intercede
for those whom the world has forgotten,
ever proclaiming the Gospel of Life;
We pray to the Lord:

March 25th FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

For a growing love for the cross of Christ,
that we might join our suffering to his,
and see in the lives of those in pain
a gift to all who follow the Lord;
We pray to the Lord:



How can we not be alarmed, moreover, by the continuous attacks on life, from conception to natural death? All this offends and helps to destabilize the family by concealing its specific nature and its unique social role. Other forms of attack on life are sometimes committed in the name of scientific research. There is a growing conviction that research is subject only to the laws that it chooses for itself and that it is limited only by its own possibilities.

Benedict XVI to the Diplomatic Corps, January 8, 2007

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