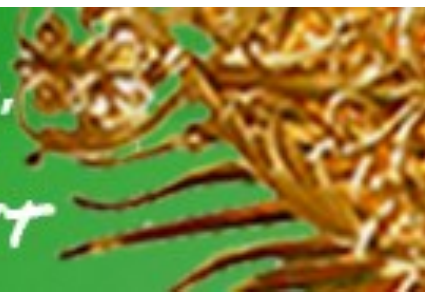




Pray for Life, Marriage, and Religious Liberty *JOIN THE MOVEMENT*



October 4: Friday Fast (Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi)

Intention: May each of us have the courage to open our hearts to life.

Did you know?

This Sunday, October 6 is Respect Life Sunday. It marks the beginning of [Respect Life](#) Month, which is celebrated each October (the month which is also traditionally recognized as the Month of the Holy Rosary).

Check out these [pro-life rosary prayer intentions](#), and learn more about the Call to Prayer by clicking on the hyperlinked image [of the video](#) below!



Quick Links

- ⇒ [Call to Prayer webpage](#)
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Reflection:

“Only a tender, compassionate love that seeks to serve those most in need, whatever the personal cost, is strong enough to

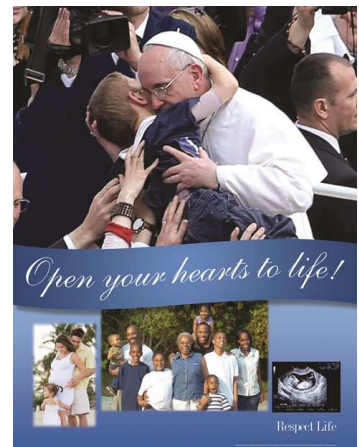
overcome a culture of death and to build a civilization of love. Let us

open our hearts and reflect on how God

might be calling each of us to witness the sacredness of human life and assist in pro-life efforts. We may be called to help parents welcome their unborn child as a miracle of God's creation, to visit the elderly or aid those who are sick and suffering, to pray and fast for life, to advocate to our elected officials, or to assist educational efforts in our parishes.”

[2013 Respect Life Sunday Statement](#)

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, Chairman
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