WORD OF LIFE: NOVEMBER 2022

Recommended dates are provided, but you are welcome to use these materials at any time!

FEATURED THIS MONTH...

National Hospice and Palliative Care Month

This is a great opportunity to highlight the topics of hospice, palliative care, and other end-of-life topics. The following resources are available:

• Catholic Care for the Sick and Dying

This webpage features prayers, articles, and educational resources to help Catholics bear Christ's love to those who are suffering from illness or dying.

Bulletin Insert: The Witness of the Good Samaritan

This four-page summary article offers a brief overview of key points from *Samaritanus bonus* with a specific focus on what it says about palliative and hospice care.

National Adoption Awareness Month

This occasion is an opportunity to highlight the gift of adoption. Resources are available to assist you in supporting and praying for all whose lives are touched by adoption:

- An Adoption Love Story
- Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption
- Novena to St. Joseph: For Those on the Path of Adoption





NEW! The Truth About Abortion and Women's Health

This one-page resource dispels many myths that claim restrictions on abortion will limit women's access to life-saving care.

This resource can be printed in parish bulletins, included in newsletters, shared on social media, and more to help educate Catholics about these false claims.



The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 20, 2022

<u>Resources are being made available</u> to help educate the faithful about the Solemnity of Christ the King and its connection to religious liberty.

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Intercessions for Life

November 1st

For all Christians:

May we look forward to the resurrection of the dead by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life;

We pray to the Lord:

November 6th

For the sick, suffering, and those near death: May they receive adequate care which embraces their physical, psychological, and spiritual needs as they journey toward eternal life; We pray to the Lord:

The Solemnity of All Saints

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13th

For all public officials, especially those newly elected: May they strive to govern with the wisdom of God, and protect life from conception to natural death; We pray to the Lord:

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 20th

For married couples considering adoption: May the Holy Spirit guide their discernment, grant them peace, and bring to fruition His holy will; *We pray to the Lord:*

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 27th

For all the faithful: May the Lord help us build a culture of life in vigilant expectation of His return; We pray to the Lord:

First Sunday of Advent

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Bulletin Quotes

November 6th

"Death is a decisive moment in the human person's encounter with God the Savior. Helping the Christian to experience this moment with spiritual assistance is a supreme act of charity. It encompasses the patient with the solid support of human relationships to accompany them and open them to hope. Palliative care and hospice are precious and crucial instruments in the care of patients with serious and complex chronic or terminal illnesses, and they help provide comfort to both the patients and their families."



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"The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"

November 13th

"...the Supreme Court in *Dobbs* cleared the way for a paradigm shift in American law, allowing it to enlarge its boundaries to again welcome a segment of the human family that had been outside of its protections for close to half a century. *Dobbs*, then, is a victory for justice, the rule of law, and self-governance. But for those of us who have prayed for this moment to arrive, it is the time for a renewal and rededication of our efforts to build a culture of life and civilization of love."



Archbishop William E. Lori, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities "Building a Culture of Life in a Post-Roe World"

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November 20th

"We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives."



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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story"

November 27th

"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."



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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

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Sunday, November 6th, 2022



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Sunday, November 20th, 2022



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Sunday, November 27th, 2022



Article: *The Gospel of Life:* A Brief Summary

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