WORD OF LIFE: NOVEMBER 2020

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FEATURED THIS MONTH...

Priorities at the Polls November 1, 2020



Sample Announcement

Find out why, when considering our civic engagement as Catholics, the U.S. bishops recently affirmed, "The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority." <u>respectlife.org/priorities-at-the-polls</u>

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https://www.usccb.org/resources/priorities-polls

Pray for Life November 2020

May each expectant mother making an adoption plan receive support and care of the Christian community as she makes a loving choice for her child. *Please note: Each month's issue is posted the first day of that month on the website below.*

Sample Announcement Join this month's prayer and action at <u>walkingwithmoms.com/pray-for-moms</u>!

Image and Prayer Guide (print version) https://www.usccb.org/resources/pray-life-november-2020

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 22, 2020



<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 God inspire us to be faithful citizens, protecting the most vulnerable, especially unborn children; *We pray to the Lord:*

November 8th

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:*

Solemnity of All Saints

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15th

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*:

November 22nd

On this feast of Christ the King and always: May all recognize God as the author of life and give thanks for His precious gift; *We pray to the Lord:*

November 29th

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*:

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

First Sunday of Advent

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Bulletin Quotes

November 1st

When considering faithful citizenship, "the U.S. bishops have reaffirmed that 'the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed.""

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities "Priorities at the Polls" citing Introductory Letter to "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship"





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November 8th

"We know earthly death is not the end, but rather the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing" respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations

November 15th

"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."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)

November 22nd

"The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person."

Pope Paul VI, *Dignitatis humanae* (*Declaration on Religious Freedom*), 2. © 1965 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

November 29th

"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."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary" respectlife.org/gospel-of-life-summary

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Sunday, November 1st, 2020



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Sunday, November 15th, 2020

An Adoption Lov Read the full versit respectifieprogram.org/adopt Having children and raising a family expectation. We soon learned, howe of becoming pregnant were small. It want' long before we started talking about the possibility of adoption. I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would have loved a biological child. But with praverful	n at ion-love-story. had always been our ver, that our chances We can't imagine loving a child whom we
biological child. But with prayerful discernment, we decided to start the process. On Christmas Eve, Bill's and I left the hospital with Andrew. It didn't take long before there was no doubt in our minds that he was gift from God! We can't imagine low conceived more than we love Andres	ing a child whom we
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Sunday, November 29th, 2020



Online Article: The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary

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