

WORD OF LIFE: JULY 2025

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FEATURED THIS MONTH

National NFP Awareness Week: July 20-26, 2025

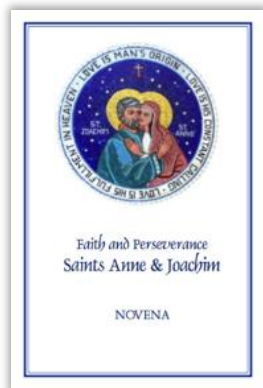


The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae vitae* (July 25) and the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother.

Couples' stories, sample intercessions, homily notes, and more can be found [online](#).

The 2025 poster is available to [download or order](#).

Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne: July 26, 2025



The Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is celebrated on July 26. They are powerful intercessors for married couples, expectant mothers, and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving, as well as people who are aging. Copies of the "Faith and Perseverance" novena to Saints Anne and Joachim are available for download or purchase. You can pray the novena from July 17-25 in preparation for their feast day.

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Intercessions for Life

July 6th

For our nation:

May our laws protect
every person's right to life,
from conception to natural death;
let us pray to the Lord:

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13th

For families considering adoption:

May the Lord guide and bless their journeys
and grant them peace along the way;
let us pray to the Lord:

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20th

May married couples embrace their call
to total, faithful, and fruitful love
with openness to new life;
let us pray to the Lord:

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27th

For all those nearing death:

That their faith will grow ever stronger,
as they prepare in hope
to share eternal life with Christ;
let us pray to the Lord:

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin Quotes

July 6th

“O God our Creator... through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
“Prayer for Religious Liberty”



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July 13th

“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.” Read more at www.bit.ly/AdoptionLoveStory.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“An Adoption Love Story”



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July 20th

“Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
“Married Love and the Gift of Life”



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July 27th

“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.” Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing”



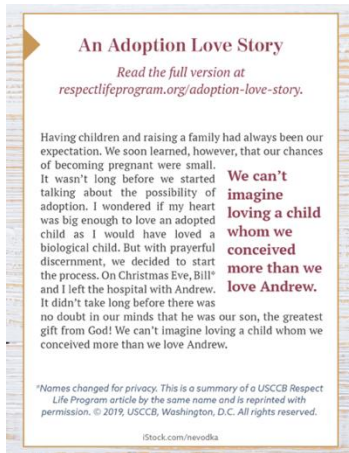
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Sunday, July 13th, 2025



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