## WORD OF LIFE

# June 2015

#### **Intercessions for Life**

June 7th

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

For those at the end of their lives: May the most precious Body and Blood of Christ comfort them as they prepare to enter into eternal life; We pray to the Lord:

### June 14<sup>th</sup> Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

For those who doubt the value of their lives: May they rest in the awareness that they are infinitely loved and that God has a plan for their lives; We pray to the Lord:

### June 21st Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For fathers who struggle: May the love of Jesus inspire them to love their children unconditionally; We pray to the Lord:

#### June 28<sup>th</sup> Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all those who are sick and for people with disabilities: May they be loved and supported in word and action by their friends, family, and parish community; We pray to the Lord:

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#### **Bulletin Briefs**

"The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right – it is the very opposite. It is 'a deep wound in society."

Pope Benedict XVI, September 7, 2007
Meeting with the Authorities and the Diplomatic Corps,
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"[S]ome behaviors are always wrong, always incompatible with our love of God and the dignity of the human person. ... Assisted suicide and euthanasia are not acts of mercy but acts that are never morally acceptable."

Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities
USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
www.bit.ly/ProLifePastoralPlan

"There is nothing more powerful than prayer and fasting in the battle for true justice in our country. It is the hope of the bishops that these efforts will encourage real solidarity among all people who are standing for the precious gifts of life, marriage and religious liberty."

Most Reverend Michael J. Sheridan, Bishop of Colorado Springs,
"The Bishop's Voice: A Battle for True Justice,"
The Colorado Catholic Herald, January 18, 2013

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me."

— <u>Matthew 25:35-36</u> (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

"Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

— <u>Matthew 19:14</u> (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

"Are not five sparrows sold for two small coins? Yet not one of them has escaped the notice of God. Even the hairs of your head have all been counted. Do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows."

— <u>Luke 12:6-7</u> (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

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