

WORD OF LIFE

July 2015

Intercessions for Life

July 5th Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For those who have participated in abortion
and long for reconciliation with God:
May they find healing and peace through
the Sacrament of Reconciliation;
We pray to the Lord:

July 12th Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For couples considering adoption:
May the Lord guide their journey
and grant them peace along the way;
We pray to the Lord:

July 19th Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all shepherds of the Church:
May they witness with their lives
to the incredible worth of every person;
We pray to the Lord:

July 26th Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For those in difficult financial circumstances
and expecting a child:
May the Lord grant them assurance of his care
and provide for their needs:
We pray to the Lord:

Bulletin Briefs

“By following Jesus’ new Commandment of unselfish love, our lives can be richly fulfilling, and marked by joy and peace. In contrast, treating others as either means or obstacles to one’s self-serving goals, while never learning to love generously, is an impoverished way to live.”

— Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo
[Former] Chairman, Committee on Pro-Life Activities
[Statement for Respect Life Month](#), September 26, 2011

“Then Esau looked up and saw the women and children and asked, ‘Who are these with you?’ Jacob answered, ‘They are the children with whom God has graciously favored your servant.’”

— [Genesis 33:5](#) (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

“In a special way, believers in Christ must defend and promote this right, aware as they are of the wonderful truth recalled by the Second Vatican Council: ‘By his incarnation the Son of God has united himself in some fashion with every human being’ (*Gaudium et Spes*, no. 22).”

— Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, no. 2
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“I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would my biological child. There were also so many other variables to consider. ... We felt we had no control, but God reminded us again that He is always in control and that we could trust in Him.”

— “An Adoption Love Story,” <http://bit.ly/AdoptionLoveStory>
USCCB 2014-15 Respect Life Program

“For the LORD, your God, is the God of gods, the Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who has no favorites, accepts no bribes, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and loves the resident alien, giving them food and clothing.”

— [Deuteronomy 10:17-18](#)
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