

Catalog

2019-2020 RESPECT LIFE PROGRAM



PRO-LIFE PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES

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*Note: In light of recent developments to no. 2267 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, our resources on capital punishment are in the process of being revised and updated. Our most recent article, "Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A" has been updated to reflect the new text and is available online at usccb.org/death-penalty-Q-and-A.



The annual Respect Life Program is a year-round, nationwide effort to help Catholics understand, value, and become engaged with building a culture that cherishes every human life.

It is essentially comprised of the efforts of leaders throughout the Church to build a culture of life—parish priests, staff, and volunteers; ministry leaders; teachers and school administrators; diocesan leaders; and so many others. A new cycle begins each October (Respect Life Month) and continues through the following September. The 2019 observance of Respect Life Sunday is October 6.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops produces materials to assist in these efforts, which are available to purchase or for free download.

Visit **www.usccb.org/respectlife** for downloadable versions, as well as many other free resources!

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The educational materials in the 2019-2020 Respect Life Program kit were prepared by staff of the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, reviewed by staff of the Secretariat of Doctrine and the Secretariat of Divine Worship, and approved by Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City, Kansas and Chair, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

2019-2020 RESPECT LIFE PROGRAM MATERIALS

This year's Respect Life Program focuses on providing parish resources that are actionable and ready-to-go. The materials are designed to complement existing parish life and manifest that the Gospel of Life is part of the very fabric of the Gospel itself. This year's approach focuses less on developing new materials and much more on integrating existing resources into the life of the parish.

This year's new, printed resources include a poster, expanded resource guide, and updated catalog. Digital-only resources are also provided, including graphics, bulletin covers, and more. Although the number of print items has decreased, we hope this new approach will better serve you.



2019-2020 RESPECT LIFE PROGRAM MATERIALS

Respect Life Poster: "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life" (bilingual)

Features a Respect Life bulletin board with different photos, flyers, prayer requests, and more that illustrate the many seasons of life.

Full-color, 17" x 22", English/Spanish printed on reverse sides. View or download at usccb.org/respectlife.

Item #1904. Cost: \$2.00 each; 10+ copies, \$1.75 each. Limited quantity available flat (unfolded) and shipped separately. Item #1904-FL.

Respect Life Resource Guide: "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life"

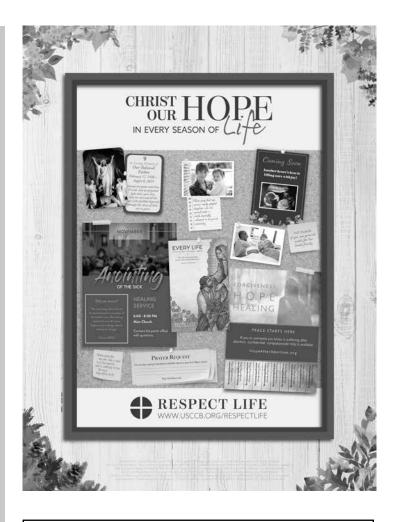
This new, expanded resource guide is designed to complement parish life with ready-to-go resources. The guide features the 2019-2020 Respect Life reflection, ten new bulletin boxes, five action guides, and more.

8.5" x 11" full-color booklet.

Item #1902. Cost: \$2.25 each; 50+ copies, \$2.00 each.

"Hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul."

Hebrews 6:18-19



NOTE: Respect Life Program posters and brochures from 2011 onward are available to download or order from www.usccb.org/respectlife.

CD: CELEBRATING LIFE 1972-2002

Every article that has appeared in the Respect Life Program from 1972 through 2002 has been compiled on a CD for easy access. This is a resource to have at your fingertips. Fully indexed. Item #0212. Cost: \$9.95.

NEW! RESOURCE GUIDE HIGHLIGHTS

THE NEW, EXPANDED RESOURCE GUIDE FEATURES THE FOLLOWING:

 Letter from Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

2019-2020 Respect Life Reflection

A brief reflection unpacks the 2019-2020 Respect Life Program theme, "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life." We reflect on the source and meaning of Christian hope and how it shapes our identity as followers of Christ and of His Gospel of Life.

NEW! Bulletin Boxes

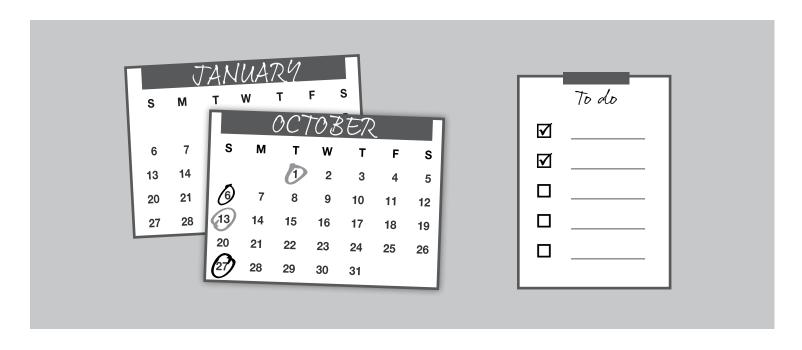
Ten new bulletin boxes are included for use in bulletins, newsletters, social media, and more. (Digital files of these bulletin boxes are provided online at www.usccb.org/respectlife.)

The bulletin boxes are summaries of longer articles from previous years. These bulletin boxes are especially helpful for highlighting Respect Life topics when space is at a premium, and each box also provides a website address where the full article can be read. Each article is also available to download as a double-sided flyer or to order in a brochure format. A listing of the full articles can be found on the next page.

· NEW! Respect Life Action Guides

Liturgical celebrations and other annual calendar occasions provide natural opportunities to help build a culture of life. Five new action guides are included to help leaders take advantage of opportunities to highlight and make connections to Respect Life themes throughout the year. The action guides feature tools like sample timelines, activities, announcements, homily notes, and more. Suggestions for how these can be adapted to suit local circumstances are also included—for example, how to highlight respect for human life during regular programming without having to plan separate events.

The action guides are structured around five main calendar occasions: Respect Life Month (October), the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children and related events (January), the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord and the 25th Anniversary of *Evangelium Vitae* (March), Divine Mercy Sunday (April), and Mother's Day (May).



2019-2020 FEATURED RESOURCES

The 2019-2020 Respect Life Program resource guide highlights ten articles from previous years and provides short summaries as bulletin boxes in the resource guide. (See description of resource guide on page 6.) While the bulletin boxes are ideal when space is at a premium, you may also wish to have the full versions available. The featured articles are listed below and can be ordered as brochures from the toll-free number at the bottom of page 6 or downloaded for free from **www.usccb.org/respectlife.**

The products on this page are priced as follows, unless otherwise marked.

Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Additional bulk discounts available.

WHAT TO DO WHEN A FRIEND IS CONSIDERING ABORTION

If a friend told you she was pregnant and considering abortion, would you know what to do? Learn concrete tips for loving her in a way that is life-affirming for both her and her child.

Item #1741. Spanish Item #1751 (limited supply available).

SEVEN CONSIDERATIONS WHILE NAVIGATING INFERTILITY

Primarily directed to couples struggling with infertility, this brochure seeks to provide compassionate guidance that is both practical and informative. Other readers may also find it helpful in better understanding this issue.

Item #1644. Spanish Item #1654.

10 WAYS TO SUPPORT HER WHEN SHE'S UNEXPECTEDLY EXPECTING

This article provides simple, concrete tips on how to provide loving, life-affirming support for a friend who becomes pregnant unexpectedly. Geared towards young adults, but contains advice that is adaptable.

Item #1541. Spanish Item #1551.

CHILDREN AS COMMODITIES?

While recognizing the true suffering that can accompany infertility, this article demonstrates that the use of some reproductive technologies does not respect the dignity of the children produced by them.

Item #1442. Spanish Item #1452.

AN ADOPTION LOVE STORY

This story of one couple's journey adopting their son gives an honest look at some concerns, challenges, and joys of welcoming a child through adoption.

Item #1445. Spanish Item #1455.

HEALING WITHIN MARRIAGE FROM AN ABORTION

Drawing from firsthand accounts, this article illustrates that although many marriages suffer from the effects of one or both spouses' involvement in abortion, healing and growth as a couple are possible.

Item #1441. Spanish Item #1451.

CATHOLIC CONSIDERATIONS FOR OUR EARTHLY PASSING

As Catholics, we know that death is the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Several considerations are provided as starting points for understanding and preparing for our earthly passing in a way that respects God's gift of human life.

Item #1744. Spanish Item #1754 (limited supply available).

ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVES: PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE

This article discusses some concerns—of which readers should be aware—raised by various types of advance medical directives.

Item #1446. Spanish Item #1456.

TOP REASONS TO OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

Polls indicate the public is receptive to the general concept of assisted suicide. However, when people understand the associated dangers, they are less likely to support the practice. Learn compelling reasons you can share for opposing assisted suicide.

Item #1743. Spanish Item #1753 (limited supply available).

HOW TO BUILD A CULTURE OF LIFE

In these challenging times when respect for life is so often disregarded, how do we build a culture that cherishes all human life? The answer goes back to our identity and call as Christians.

Item #1742. Spanish Item #1752.

PASTORAL PLAN

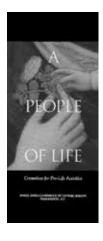


Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2001, 52 pp.

The U.S. bishops call upon all the resources of the Church — its people, services and institutions — to work together to build a culture of life. Includes a comprehensive model for pursuing this goal.

Item #0111. Cost: \$3.95 each Spanish Item #0112.



A People of Life

Beautiful, full-color, 6-panel brochure highlights the *Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities* and includes suggestions for individuals and groups to help build a culture of life.

Item #0113. Cost: \$12.00 (packet of 50). Spanish Item #0114.



Prayer for Life

Beautiful prayer card with image of the Madonna and Child on one side and a prayer for life on the other. Suitable for distribution in parishes and elsewhere.

Item #0115. Cost: \$15.00 (packet of 100) Spanish Item #0116.

A People of Life and a People for Life: An Invitation

By staff of the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2002, 6 pp. Summarizes the Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, suggests practical programs that might be undertaken by individuals or groups, and identifies additional resources.

Item #0240. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50 + copies, 25¢ each.



CULTURE OF LIFE

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Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Additional bulk discounts available.

The Catholic Church is a Pro-Life Church

2019, 6-panel pamphlet

This brief overview of the Catholic Church's constant and consistent teaching on the sanctity of every human life highlights how the Church has condemned threats to life throughout its rich history. **Item #1914.**

How to Build a Culture of Life

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Item #1742. Spanish Item #1752.

Understanding Conscience

This brief introduction to conscience addresses what it is, why it's important, and how to form our consciences so they lead us into deeper relationship with God and one another.

Item #1746. Spanish Item #1756.

Serene Attentiveness to God's Creation

Drawing from Pope Francis's encyclical Laudato Si', this brochure explores how healthy relationships with God, one another, and the rest of creation are key to a culture in which we value human life and care for God's creation at every level.

Item #1645. Spanish Item #1655.

A Perfect Gift

2015, 8-panel pamphlet

2018, reprinted (with minor edits) as double-sided, 8.5"x 11" flyer. One parent of a child with Down syndrome gives an inside glimpse into their love-illuminated life, sharing a fundamental insight about what it means to be human.

Flyer: Item #1844 (limited supply available). Spanish: Item #1854. Pamphlet: Item #1542. Spanish: Item #1552 (limited supply available).

Love 101: Back to Basics

Written for young adults from the perspective of a young adult, this article looks at the reasons for and benefits of practicing chastity.

Item #1547. Spanish Item #1557.

10 Surprising Tips for Love the Culture Won't Tell You

Written for teens from the perspective of a young adult, this article provides a simple introduction to chastity and basic tips for practicing and growing in the virtue of it.

Item #1544. Spanish Item #1554.

An Adoption Love Story

2014, 8-panel pamphlet

This story of one couple's journey adopting their son gives an honest look at some concerns, challenges, and joys of welcoming a child through adoption.

Item #1445. Spanish Item #1455.

Life Matters: Our Obligation to Protect Religious Freedom

2013, 8-panel pamphlet

Law professor Mark A. Rienzi writes about the mounting threats to, and our obligation to protect, religious freedom.

Item #1341. Spanish Item #1351.

Life Matters: Religious Liberty and the American Soul

2012, 8-panel pamphlet

Most Rev. Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Archbishop of Philadelphia, addresses the defense and promotion of religious liberty in American law and culture as the foundation of all human rights.

Item #1241 (limited supply available). Spanish Item #1251.

Life Matters: Explaining the Reality of Marriage to Family and Friends

2013, 8-panel pamphlet

William B. May, President of Catholics for the Common Good. Recalls importance of recognizing and promoting the true meaning of marriage. **Item #1346.**

Life Matters: Conscience Protection in Healthcare

2012, 8-panel pamphlet

Former HHS Asst. Secretary Joxel Garcia, MD, with Terry M. Rauch II, describes the decades-long assault on the conscience rights of healthcare providers.

Item #1242. Spanish Item #1252.

Life Matters: Marriage, the Sanctuary of Life

2012, 8-panel pamphlet

Professor Helen Alvaré, Esq. contrasts the Catholic vision of marriage, where children are welcomed and spouses grow in selfess love, with the view prevailing today, that marriage exists for one's personal happiness alone.

Item #1244 (limited supply available). Spanish Item #1254.

Conscience and the Catholic Voter

by Most Reverend William E. Lori 2008, 8-panel pamphlet

"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" offers guidance on how to approach the evaluation of candidates in light of Catholic moral teaching. This article explains the meaning of "formation of conscience" and its application to voting. **Item #0844.**

CHURCH DOCUMENTS

To Live Each Day with Dignity

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2011, 15 pp.

The bishops address the subject of assisted suicide. They encourage us to support society, along with other concerned people, including disability rights advocates, charitable organizations, and members of the healing professions, to stand for the dignity of people with serious illnesses and disabilities, and promote life-affirming solutions for their problems and hardships.

Item #1172. Cost: \$1.20 each. Bulk discounts available.

Life-Giving Love in an Age of Technology

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009, 20 pp.

A teaching document from the bishops providing guidance on reproductive technologies and what the Church teaches in an engaging question-and-answer format.

Item #1070. Cost: \$2.00 each. Bulk discounts available.

The Dignity of a Person (Dignitas Personae)

Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2008, 80 pp This instruction from the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith provides guidance on how to respect human life and human procreation in our age of rapid biotechnological advancement.

Item #0972. Cost: \$6.95.

On Embryonic Stem Cell Research

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2008, 8-panel brochure

This brochure provides insight about stem cell research based on the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Item #0874. Cost: \$12.00 (packet of 25).

A Matter of the Heart

*United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2002*A statement of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops on the thirtieth anniversary of Roe V. Wade.

Item #0260. Cost: \$9.00/100; \$80.00/1,000. Spanish Item #0261.

Living the Gospel of Life: A Challenge to American Catholics

National Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1998, 40 pp. A call to U.S. Catholics to be followers of Jesus Christ and leaders in the renewal of respect for the sanctity of life in our nation. Stresses the need to work earnestly to bring about a cultural transformation, a true renewal in our public life and institutions.

Item #9825. Cost: \$3.95. Spanish Item #9826.



Married Love and the Gift of Life

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2006, 20 pp.
In an engaging question and answer format, the bishops explain Church teachings on conjugal love and responsible parenthood and the method

responsible parenthood and the methods of natural family planning which support those teachings.

Item #0626. Cost: \$2.00 each. Spanish Item #0627.

Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Sixth edition, 2018, 40 pp.

Ethical standards for Catholic health care facilities, flowing from Church teachings on the sanctity and dignity of human life.

Item #1870. Cost: \$4.95 each.

Resolution on Abortion

National Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1989 Statement of the U.S. Catholic bishops identifying abortion as the fundamental human rights issue of our time.

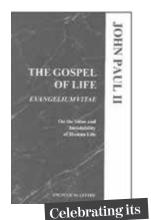
Item #8908. Cost: \$8.00/100; \$70.00/1,000.

Instruction on Respect for Human Life in Its Origin and on the Dignity of Procreation (Donum Vitae)

Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith 1987, 140 pp.

Addresses Church teaching on the respect for and dignity of human life as it applies to biomedical research and technology.

Item #8708. Cost: \$14.95 each.



The Gospel of Life

National Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1995, 196 pp. Pope John Paul II's March 1995 encyclical on the sanctity and inviolability of human life. Explores the nature of contemporary attacks against life and exhorts all to proclaim and live the Gospel of Life to bring about a culture of life.

Item #9540. Cost: \$9.95. Spanish Item #9541.

25th Anniversary!

PREGNANCY

Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption

Drawing from the personal experience of a mother who placed her child for adoption, this brochure gives nine pointers for offering ongoing support to expectant mothers considering adoption.

Item #1646. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1656.

10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting

This article provides simple, concrete tips on how to provide loving, life-affirming support for a friend who is unexpectedly pregnant. Geared towards young adults, but contains advice that is applicable in various situations.

Item #1541. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1551.

Life Matters: Pregnancy From Rape

Sandra Mahkorn, MD draws from her experiences in treating victims of rape and her own and others' surveys showing that abortion is never a solution to pregnancy from rape.

Item #1342. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1352.

Life Matters: Responding To Unplanned Pregnancy

2012, 8-panel pamphlet

Margaret (Peggy) Hartshorn, PhD discusses the spiritual foundation of pregnancy care services as rooted in love.

Item #1248 (limited supply available). Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1258.

Poster: The Child Before Birth

Beautiful 16" x 20" full-color poster of a child at 18 weeks' gestation. Includes scriptural verse from Psalm 139:13-14. Shipped separately.

Item #8904. Cost: \$3.25 each.

Every Child Brings Us God's Smile

USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat, 2009, 2 pp.

Full-color bulletin insert focuses on the humanity of the unborn at various developmental stages—includes fetal photographs at three stages of development.

Item #0906. Cost: \$10.00/100; \$90.00/1,000.

Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage

2014, 8-panel pamphlet

Aided by a personal story, this article illustrates the heartache of losing a child through miscarriage and offers guidance on how to support those who are hurting.

Item #1444. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1454.

Supporting Families Who Receive a Prenatal Diagnosis

Introduces "perinatal hospice," a model of care for children—and the families of such children—who are expected to pass away before or shortly after birth. Provides practical guidance for friends and family, the parish community, and clergy and pastoral care workers.

Item #1545. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1555.





ABORTION

USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat

Another Look at Abortion

2018, 8.5" x 11" double-sided flyer Shortened and revised from the 2011 brochure "Life Matters: Abortion," this "back to basics" approach for addressing abortion summarizes key points.

Item #1841. Spanish Item #1851. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Additional bulk discounts are also available.

What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion

If a friend told you she was pregnant and considering abortion, would you know what to do? Learn concrete tips for loving her in a way that is life-affirming for both her and her child.

Item #1741. Spanish Item #1751 (limited supply available). Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Additional bulk discounts available.

Life Matters: Roe Plus 40

2013, 8-panel pamphlet

Erika Bachiochi, Esq., noted speaker and author, sums up the impact of 40 years of legal abortion on society, particularly vulnerable women and their children.

Item #1343. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1353.

Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2001

Item #0111. See page 8 for information. Cost: \$3.95 each.

Roe v. Wade: Questions and Answers

USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat, 2018, 2 pp.

Easy-to-read parish bulletin insert provides clear information on the Supreme Court abortion decision and reasons why it must be reversed.

FREE download: http://bit.ly/Roe-Q-A

A People of Life and a People for Life: An Invitation

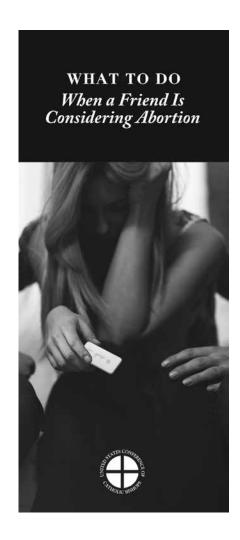
By staff of the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2002, 6 pp.

Item #0240. See page 8 for information. Cost: 40¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each.

Poverty and Abortion: A Vicious Cycle

This article addresses the increasing abortion rate among American women experiencing poverty, the effect of abortion on poverty, and how we are called to respond.

Item #1443. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1453.



ABORTION HEALING & RECONCILIATION

Bridges of Mercy for Healing After Abortion

2016, 8-panel pamphlet

2018, reprinted (with minor edits) as double-sided, 8.5"x 11" flyer Real-life stories* illustrate how an abortion might later affect someone's life. How can we be bridges of God's mercy for people suffering after abortion? Suggestions are directed to groups of people from all walks of life. *Names changed for privacy.

Flyer: Item #1843 (limited supply available). Spanish: Item #1853. Pamphlet: Item #1641. Spanish: Item #1651. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available.

Healing Within Marriage from an Abortion

Drawing from firsthand accounts, this article illustrates that although many marriages suffer from the effects of one or both spouses' involvement in abortion, healing and growth as a couple are possible.

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Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion

Susan E. Wills, Esq. addresses a major obstacle to healing after abortion—difficulty in accepting God's forgiveness and forgiving oneself

Item #1344. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50-99 copies, 25¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1354.

Project Rachel: Peace Starts Here

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2015, 8-panel pamphlet

Beautiful pamphlet inviting those who suffer from the pain of their own or a loved one's abortion to "come back to God who is love and mercy," with the caring support of the Church's Project Rachel Ministry.

Item #1016. Cost: 40¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each. Bulk discounts available. Spanish Item #1017.

"The Hollow Men": Male Grief and Trauma Following Abortion

By Vincent M. Rue, PhD, 2008, 8-panel pamphlet.

As a practicing psychotherapist, Dr. Rue presents findings from clinical research and practice regarding male grief and trauma following abortion.

Item #0846. Cost: 40¢ each; 10-49 copies, 30¢ each; 50+ copies, 25¢ each. (Limited supply available.)

How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an

Abortion Revised 2013

What to say and do when a friend confides an abortion experience. Attractive and informative six-panel brochure for teens and young adults.

Item #0120; six-panel brochure. Cost: 25¢ each; \$20.00/100; \$180.00/1,000. Spanish Item #0121.

Neither Do I Condemn You

How each of us can be a catalyst for bringing God's forgiveness and healing to those wounded by abortion.

Item #9906. Cost: \$7.00/100; \$60.00/1,000.

Project Rachel Ministry: A Resource Manual for Priests and Project Rachel Leaders

USCCB Secretariat of Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations and Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2009 edition, 109 pages.

Assists ministry team members and priests with various aspects of developing or strengthening a diocesan ministry for those suffering from abortion's aftermath. Includes practical resources, prayer cards, and diagram of the integrated approach to healing, all in a 3-ring binder.

For order inquiries, please contact your diocesan coordinator for post-abortion healing ministry.

Prayer for Healing

Prayer card asking God to forgive, heal, and grant peace to mothers who have lost a child to abortion.

Item #9911. Cost: \$10.00/100; \$90.00/1,000. Spanish Item #9912.

Trust in God's Mercy

Answers the request of priests for a post-confessional prayer card to help women accept that God has forgiven their sin of abortion.

Item #9913. Cost: \$10.00/100; \$90.00/1,000. Spanish Item #9914. (See page 14 for front of prayer card.)

PRAYER & WORSHIP

"Parishes should include in the petitions at every Mass a prayer that ours will become a nation that respects and protects all human life, born and unborn, reflecting a true culture of life." U.S. Catholic Bishops, Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, 2001.



(shown actual size)

Prayer Card: "Every Life is Worth Living"

This 2 x 3.5" (standard business card size) prayer card is based on the 2015-16 Respect Life Program theme, "Every Life is Worth Living."

It is perfect for joint prayer after Mass and distribution to parishioners to carry with them and pray daily during Respect Life Month and throughout the year.

Full-color on the front, black text on the back. Item #1512. Cost: \$12.00 (package of 100). Spanish Item #1513.

Prayer for Religious Liberty

"Mary Immaculate, Patroness of Our Country, Pray for Us" In their March 14, 2012 statement, "United for Religious Freedom," the USCCB's Administrative Committee called for a nationwide prayer campaign for the protection of religious freedom and conscience rights from several threats. Join the U.S. bishops and this national effort by distributing the "Prayer for Religious Liberty" cards with the image of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of Our Country.

Item #1270. Cost: \$12.00 (Packet of 100).



Prayer Card: "Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for Us"

The front depicts a vibrant painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe; a prayer seeking her intercession on behalf of human life is on the reverse.

Item #1012. Cost: \$12.00 (packet of 100) Spanish Item #1013.

Prayer for Life

Beautiful prayer card with image of the Madonna and Child on one side and a prayer for life on the other. Suitable for distribution in parishes.

Item #0115. Cost: \$15.00 (packet of 100). Spanish Item #0116.

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Faith and Perseverance: Saints Anne & Joachim Novena

Saints Anne and Joachim are powerful intercessors for all married couples, expectant mothers and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving. Beautiful, full color mosaic on the cover of this $(4" \times 6")$ four-page pamphlet.

Item #0422. Cost: 25¢ each; \$15.00/100. Spanish Item #0423.



A Heart Open to God's Will: Novena to the Blessed Mother, Feast of the Annunciation

This beautiful novena to Our Blessed Mother includes an excerpt from the Gospel of Luke's Annuciation account, the novena prayer and a reflection on the challenge of doing God's will in today's world. Promoters of NFP have looked to this feast for inspiration to welcome more children into the family.

Item #0726. Cost: 30¢ each: \$20.00/100.

Note: Word of Life - suggested Prayer of the Faithful intentions and parish bulletin quotations - is distributed each month to every Catholic diocese in the U.S. The Word of Life series can also be accessed at

www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/index.cfm

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility

Primarily directed to couples struggling with infertility, this brochure seeks to provide compassionate guidance that is both practical and informative. Other readers may also find it helpful in better understanding this issue.

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Children as Commodities?

While recognizing the true suffering that can accompany infertility, this article demonstrates that the use of some reproductive technologies does not respect the dignity of the children produced by them.

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Life-Giving Love in an Age of Technology

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009, 20 pp.

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The Dignity of a Person (Dignitas Personae)

Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2008, 80 pp. **Item #0972. See page 10 for information. Cost: \$6.95.**

Life Matters: Reproductive Technology

2011, 8-panel pamphlet.

Children are the supreme gift of marriage. They have a right to be conceived through their parents' act of love, not by a laboratory process that subjects them to quality control. While one in six couples has difficulty conceiving, today many causes of infertility can be corrected. But instead, fertility clinics often begin with expensive IVF procedures, which involve risks to embryonic children created by IVF—the majority of whom end up dead—and to their biological mothers.

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Life Matters: Embryo Research

2011, 8-panel pamphlet.

Destructive experimentation on human embryos violates the God-given right to life of very young human beings. It violates the Fifth Commandment, as well as ethics declarations by the World Medical Association and the standards for federally funded research enacted by Congress every year since 1995.

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Hope for Married Couples Who Want to Have a Child

By John T. Bruchalski, MD, FACOG, 2010, 8-panel pamphlet. Dr. Bruchalski discusses successful fertility treatments that are faithful to the teachings of the Church.

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Addressing Infertility with Compassion and Clarity

By Rev. J. Daniel Mindling, O.F.M. Cap., STD 2009, 8-panel pamphlet.

Providing compassionate pastoral care and support for couples struggling with infertility is as important as providing them with information on morally sound treatment options.

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On Embryonic Stem Cell Research

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2008, 8-panel brochure.

Item #0874. See page 10 for information. Cost: \$12.00 (packet of 25).

Stem Cell Research and Human Cloning: Questions and Answers

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2004, 2 pp. (Revised 2008)

Easy-to-read parish bulletin insert provides clear information on the Catholic Church's position on stem cell research and human cloning.

Item #0470. Cost: \$12.00/100.

Instruction on Respect for Human Life in Its Origin and on the Dignity of Procreation (Donum Vitae)

Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 1987, 140 pp.

Item #8708. Cost: \$14.95 each. See page 10 for information.

Note: Additional resources on these issues, (e.g., Congressional testimony, fact sheets, etc.) can be found at www.usccb.org/prolife.

END OF LIFE

Killing the Pain, Not the Patient: Palliative Care vs. Assisted Suicide

USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat 2018, 8.5" x 11" double-sided flyer

More states are attempting to legalize doctor-assisted suicide, inaccurately claiming it's just another option for end-of-life care. Foundational differences between the two are discussed, including how the legalization of assisted suicide undermines quality care.

Updated and shortened from a 1998 Respect Life Program article by the same name.

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Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide

Polls indicate the public is receptive to the general concept of assisted suicide. However, when people understand the associated dangers, they are less likely to support the practice. Learn compelling reasons you can share for opposing assisted suicide.

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Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing

As Catholics, we know that death is the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Several considerations are provided as starting points for understanding and preparing for our earthly passing in a way that respects God's gift of human life.

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Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End

2016, 8-panel pamphlet

2018, reprinted (with minor edits) as double-sided, 8.5"x 11" flyer When loved ones' approach life's end, we may not know how to support them. Ten suggestions anchored in unconditional respect for human life help readers know how to provide authentically compassionate care.

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Every Suicide Is Tragic

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This article explores tragic consequences of embracing a false distinction between requests for death by those with a mental illness and by those with a terminal illness.

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Advance Medical Directives: Planning for Your Future

2014, 8-panel pamphlet.

This article discusses some concerns—of which readers should be aware—raised by various types of advance medical directives.

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Caring for Each Other, Even Unto Death

By Marie T. Hilliard, PhD, 2010, 8-panel pamphlet.

Dr. Hilliard explores why we must continue to care for one another by providing assisted nutrition and hydration where necessary to preserve life even when a cure is no longer possible.

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Assisted Suicide: Death by "Choice"?

By Rita L. Marker, Esq. 2009, 8-panel pamphlet.

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A Will For Living

By Professor Stephen L. Mikochik, Esq. 2008, 8-panel pamphlet.

The author, a professor of law, addresses the risks inherent in some kinds of "living wills" with respect to persons with disabilities, and recommends how such vulnerable Catholics can help ensure that their care reflects their Catholic beliefs.

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John Paul II: Dying with Dignity

By Rev. J. Daniel Mindling, O.F.M. Cap., 2005, 4 pp.

A summary of Pope Saint John Paul II's teaching about the respect and care due to elderly and dying persons.

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The Gift of Life...in the Face of Death

6-panel pamphlet.

Stories of individuals facing death and their supportive families and friends. Includes message from Cardinal Joseph Bernardin made shortly before his death from cancer.

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Maggie's Story: Living Like Dad

Years ago, Maggie accompanied her father in his final days before facing her own diagnosis of a terminal illness. In this article, she shared about these experiences and her opposition to assisted suicide in light of them. This story of hope and courage is a companion to a three-minute online video, "Maggie's Story." Watch: www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJwWKDGBS50

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Life Matters: Doctor-Assisted Death by Suicide

2012, 8-panel pamphlet.

Professor William L. Toffler, MD explains how Oregon's assisted suicide law has harmed patients, degraded the quality of care and compromised the integrity of the medical profession.

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Life Matters: To the End of Our Days

2011, 8-panel pamphlet.

The Church has always proclaimed the inherent value and dignity of life at every stage and condition. And for over 2,000 years, physicians have pledged to neither help nor encourage a patient to take his own life. But today, rising healthcare costs and a growing cultural blindness to the sanctity of life are driving the promotion of assisted suicide and euthanasia.

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Human Dignity in the "Vegetative" State

By Richard M. Doerflinger, 2004, 4 pp.

Explains Catholic teaching on the care of patients who are not fully conscious—includes summary of Pope John Paul II's address on "Life-Sustaining Treatments and the Vegetative State."

Item #0444. Cost: 40¢ each; 100+ copies, 20¢ each.

Statement on Euthanasia

NCCB Administrative Committee, September, 1991, 6-panel brochure.

Item #9111. Cost: \$8.00/100; \$70.00/1,000. Spanish Item #9112.





NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

NFP POSTER Love, Naturally! Natural Family Planning Cooperating with God's design for married love



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Natural Family Planning—Love, Mercy, Life— Opening the Heart of Marriage

A reflection on Catholic teaching about married love and responsible parenthood

2016, brochure

This brochure reflects upon Catholic teaching on married love and responsible parenthood through the lens of love, mercy, and life. It presents the methods of Natural Family Planning as ethical tools by which husband and wife can build their family and respect God's design for their marriage.

Item number #1626. Cost: 25¢ each; 100 copies, \$15.00; 1,000 copies, \$120.00.

Another Look at Contraception

USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat 2018, 8.5" x 11" double-sided flyer

Shortened and revised from the 2011 brochure "Life Matters: Contraception," this "back to basics" approach summarizes key points, ranging from the Church's teaching to contraception's negative effect on women's health.

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Love, Sex, and Sterilization

This article explores the Church's beautiful teaching on love and sexuality, as it pertains to sterilization, with encouragement and an invitation to deeper relationships with God and with one's spouse.

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Life Matters: Contraceptives and Women's Well-Being

2012, 8-panel pamphlet.

Susan E. Wills, JD, LLM offers evidence that the promised benefits of the sexual revolution, made possible by contraception, have more often failed women.

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A Heart Open to God's Will: Novena to the Blessed Mother, Feast of the Annunciation

See page 14 for description

Item #0726. Cost: 30¢ each; \$20.00/100.

Married Love and the Gift of Life

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2006, 20 pp.

Item #0626. See page 10 for more information. Cost: \$2.00 each.

Faith and Perseverance: Saints Anne and Joachim Novena

2-page pamphlet. See page 14 for description

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Natural Family Planning

1995, revised 2013, 8-panel, 2-color brochure.

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An 8-panel, 2-color brochure, focusing on ten misunderstood points concerning the methods of natural family planning and Church teaching

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An Introduction to Natural Family Planning

by Richard Fehring, Stella Kitchen, Mary Shivanandan and Theresa Notare, 1999, revised 2009, 28 pp.

Basic information about NFP, with an overview on fertility, explains the two most popular NFP methods. Used in many diocesan marriage preparation programs.

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NFP DVDs

(**Note:** These DVDs are not sold through this catalog.) For DVDs that present a general introduction to the science, methodology, and ethics of NFP, and include couples' witnesses, visit www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/ marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/resources/nfp-videos.cfm.

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