



Parish Week

Jesus, I trust in You
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Sunday,
23 April 2023

Saturday, 22 Apr.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Enrico Serneo (family)
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Aruna Boila)

SUNDAY, 23 APR. / EASTER 3-A

- *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*
- *Mr. Arthur Peters, ShareLife speaker at all Masses*
- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Carol & Mike Morra (54th Wedding Anniversary)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Raphael & Mariam Thattil family (Mary & Manuel)
- 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Biju Abraham (family)
- 2.30 pm St. Albert School 1st Communion Mass
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday 24 Apr. / St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Birthday Annalyn Catajoy (Angelita)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Zane Chattergoon 9th Birthday (Minda & Dave)

Tuesday, 25 Apr. / St. Mark, evangelist

- 8.00 am Mass: † Gloria Macabali (family)

Wednesday, 26 Apr. / Our Lady of Good Counsel

- 8.00 am Mass: † Madeline Callus (family)
- 7.00 pm ► Welcome Mass for **Archbishop Francis Leo** (St. Isaac Jogues Church, Pickering)

Thursday, 27 Apr.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Gabriel & Bridget Callus (family)

Friday, 28 Apr. / St. Peter Chanel, priest & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Gregorio, Arheanne & Margaret (Carla Gotan)

Saturday, 29 Apr. / St. Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Fernando & Beatriz Remedios (Jose)
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Erin Candappa (friends)

SUNDAY, 30 APR. / EASTER 4-A

- *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*
- *2nd Collection: Maintenance*
- *Catholic Education Week begins*
- 9.00 am Mass: † Holly Noronha (Maryann & Anthony Mendonca)
- 10.30 am Mass: Alex Rodrigues (D'Souza family)
- 11.30 am Catholic Women's League
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Judith Primero (Jiyi)
- 2.30 pm St. Maria Goretti 1st Communion Mass
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

3rd Sunday of Easter, Year A

Acts 2.14-28; 1 Peter 1.17-21; Luke 24.13-35

May your people exult forever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Ralph Koch, Clara Rodrigues

The **45,000** victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria in February



2nd Collection: 7 May: ShareLife

On 1 May, the 2nd collection will be the second Appeal for our annual *ShareLife Campaign*, for all the agencies that help us to live the Gospel by caring for our brothers and sisters in need.



If you use a recycled envelope marked "ShareLife," please remember to write your own Sunday envelope number on top.

COMING UP

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- 1 May Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
- 3 May St. Maria Goretti School Mass (9:00 am)
- 4 May St. Maria Goretti School Confirmation Mass (7:00 pm)
- 5 May **Cardinal Thomas Collins:** 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood
- 6 May ► **King Charles III:** Coronation, Westminster Abbey
- 7 May 2nd Collection: *ShareLife*;
- Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
- 9 May **Bishop Vincent Nguyen:** 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood;
- Wedding: Tadeo & Escalona (11:00 am)
- 11 May Confirmation: St. Albert School & Saturday Class (7:00 pm)
- 13 May Wedding: Fogelboch & Molinaso (1:00 pm)
- 21 May 2nd Collection: **Pope's Pastoral Works**;
- St. Vincent de Paul **Bundle Up Sunday**
- 28 May 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**;
- CWL (11:30 am)
- 29 May St. Albert School Mass (1:00 pm)
- 4 Jun. 2nd Collection: Sharelife
- 5 Jun. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
- 11 Jun. Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
- 15 Jun. St. M.G. School Grad. Rehearsal (12:30 pm)
- 16 Jun. Memorial Mass: † Camila Maulion (7.00 pm)
- 19 Jun. St. M.G. School Grad. Rehearsal (12:30 pm)

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

For more information on Parish activities, see pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

ShareLife 2023

Thank you very much for supporting our parish's *ShareLife* campaign. *ShareLife* is LIVING THE GOSPEL by respecting and caring for life at all stages!



So far, we have raised: \$ 7,335.00
toward our 2023 goal of: \$ 52,000.00

On 7 May, we will be holding the 2nd Appeal in our parish's *ShareLife* campaign. We ask for your kind generosity and support once again.

As Catholics, we are called to care for one another – and especially for those in need. One of the ways we do this is through our support of *ShareLife*. We express this love and care by supporting the work of *ShareLife*-funded agencies. Through their programs and services, we are able to fulfill this commandment.

Thank you for “living the Gospel” through our parish *ShareLife* campaign.

This Sunday, 23 April, we have the great honour of welcoming to our Parish **Mr. Arthur Peters**, who is the Executive Director of *ShareLife*. Mr. Peters has been to our Parish before – wait till you hear his story. We look forward to his message at this important time in our *ShareLife* Campaign.



Sacramental Celebrations



- 23 April, 2.30 pm
St. Albert School 1st Communion Mass
- 30 April, 2.30 pm
St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communion Mass
- 4 May, 7.00 pm
St. Maria Goretti School Confirmation Mass
- 11 May, 7.00 pm
Confirmation Mass for St. Albert School & Saturday Class.

SUNDAY MASS SLIPS: After the *Intercessions*, the Candidates bring their completed slips to the Offertory Gift table, and form a line behind the pews. Candidates walk behind the Gift Bearers when they are led by the Servers to the Altar. They place their unfolded slips in the basket held by the Priest, bow to the Cross, and then return to their pew.

A Special Gift 4 BIBLE SPONSORSHIPS

Our Parish thanks **Benny John** for his sponsorship of 4 Bibles for presentation to the next set of RCIA Catechumens. God bless you.

Archbishop Francis Leo

Our Parish joyfully welcomes the new Archbishop of Toronto, **Francis Leo**. His welcome Mass for the Eastern Region, including Scarborough, will be held:

7.00 pm, 26 April 2023
St. Isaac Jogues Parish
1148 Finch Ave., Pickering



RCIA, RCIC



Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children

Please remember in your prayers the Adults who received Sacraments of Initiation at the 7 pm Easter Vigil on 8 April, and the Youth who were initiated at 5 pm on 15 April.

The next meetings:

RCIA Adults, 28 April and 3 May, at 7.30 pm
RCIC Youth, 10.00 am, 29 April and 4 May.

Upcoming Weddings

There is a promise of Marriage between:

Varuna Quiterio and Drusilla Lobo
2023, St. Paul Basilica

Edwin Kalapan Kumarasamy and Alina Rodrigues
27 May, St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga

Steve Chrishanthan Patrick Sothiratnam
and **Danielle De Rango**
8 July, Mary Mother of God Parish, Oakville

Dhiviyam Valentine and Thaksa Subramaniam
26 August, St. Michael Basilica Cathedral

Tyrone Anandarajan and Shalika Sivathasan
20 October, Sacred Heart Church, King City

Shoan Sathiyendran and Priyanka Chandrakumar
4 November, St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Richmond Hill

😊 Your Sabbath Smile

The Mother-in-Law

Giuseppe excitedly tells his mother he's fallen in love and that he is going to get married. He says, "Just for fun, Mama, I'm going to bring over three women and you try and guess which one I'm going to marry." The mother agrees.

The next day, he brings three beautiful women into the house, sits them down on the couch & they chat for a while. He then says, "Okay, Mama, guess which one I'm going to marry?"

Mama says immediately, "The one on the right."

"That's amazing, Mama. You're right. How did you know?"

Mama replies: "I don't like her."



[Photo: (front) Deacon Ramon, Angie & Arthur Peters, Nicole Lim; (back) Fr. Elias, Fr. Edwin; 5 pm Mass, 22 April]

Remember our SHARELIFE Agencies at this critical time

Community / Family Services

Catholic Community Services of York Region, Catholic Cross-cultural Services, Catholic Family Services of Durham, Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin, Catholic Family Services of Simcoe Country, Catholic Family Services of Toronto, *FertilityCare* Toronto, Natural Family Planning Association

People with Special Needs

Mary Centre, *Our Place* Community of Hope, Saint Elizabeth Health Care, St. Bernadette's Family Resources Centre, St. Michael's Homes / Matt Talbot Houses, *Silent Voice* Canada (*ministry to the deaf*)

Children and Youth

Catholic Children's Aid Society of Toronto, Catholic Settlement House Day Nursery, *Covenant House*, Sancta Maria House

Young Parents

Rosalie Hall, Rose of Durham, Rose of Sharon, Vita Centre

Seniors

Les Centres d'Accueil Heritage, Loyola Arrupe Centre, Providence Healthcare, Society of Sharing

Affiliated Organizations

Camp Ozanam (*Society of St. Vincent de Paul*), Good Shepherd Ministries, Birthright International

ShareLife 2023

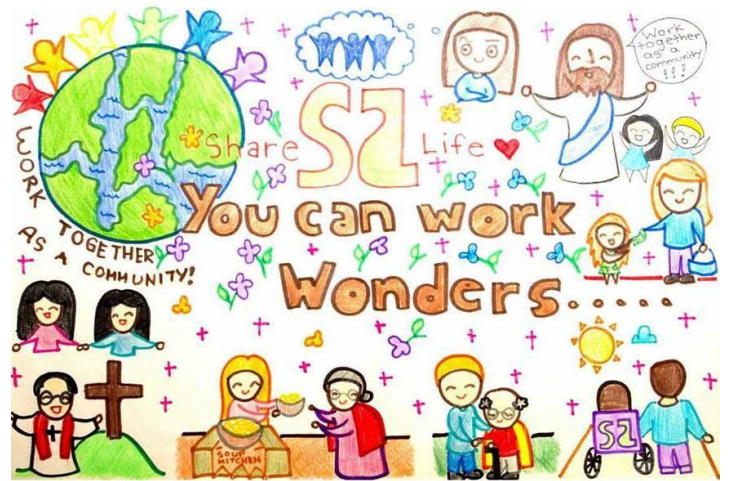
Living the Gospel!

3rd Sunday of Easter, 23 April

Living the Gospel by putting faith into action

"*ShareLife* is the way the rubber hits the road. This is how we validate the legitimacy and integrity of our Christian life: not by the words we speak, but by the love we share, in practical ways. That's what we do with *ShareLife*." - **Cardinal Thomas Collins**

7 May 2023 will be our second *ShareLife* Sunday. Please give generously; thanks for helping *ShareLife*!



Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and

snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Joyce Durban celebrates her 96th birthday, 19 April, with daughter Carol Ann.



New faces in our Parish: Joining a community of faith that honours God and celebrates the holy presence of

the Good Shepherd, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

First Holy Communion

Guidelines for 2023

St. Maria Goretti Parish is grateful to be able to celebrate the **Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion** for the Grade 2 students who have been preparing to receive this Sacrament in Easter Season this year. The Parish has four groups of First Communicants: (a) St. Albert School; (b) St. Maria Goretti School; (c) Saturday Class for students in other schools; (d) the RCIC.

After three years of pandemic restrictions, it is good to a sense of normalcy in liturgical celebrations. Please read the following.

(1) INSTRUCTION MATERIAL for 1st Communion is provided through the school curriculum, in the Information pages distributed at the January Family Information Nights, and at both of the *Family Instruction meetings* held in March. Each of the Instruction presentations has simple *Scripture* and *Catechism* references, so that Candidates and their families can review and reflect on the material, and use it for prayer and personal preparation for the day of First Holy Communion.

(2) REVIEW It is important that families review the information for this Sacrament. For their convenience, summaries are provided regularly in the website bulletin. For 1st Communion, check the website bulletins for'

22 January 2023, pages 3-4

26 March 2023, pages 5-6

(3) ATTIRE *How to dress?* The Archdiocese of Toronto does not have one "mandatory" dress code for all First Communion Candidates. We have a variety of customs in our Parish that reflect the international composition of our faith community. The universal expectation is that, for such an important occasion in their

lives, **Candidates** should wear at least "Sunday best," which is formal or semi-formal attire. In addition, it is suggested that the Candidates



incorporate a significant *white component* to their attire (e.g., a white dress for girls, a white shirt for boys, etc.) as a reminder of their BAPTISM. Boys may wear a suit, or a formal or semi-formal jacket with complementary trousers. Girls may simply wear a white dress, or at least a white blouse. Parents should be mindful that the children's clothing should not be heavy. It is also suggested that **Family members** and invited friends dress in a respectful and complementary manner, and avoid clothing with garish or bold patterns (stripes, logos, etc.), and wear simple, neutral colours, so that the Candidates stand out during the Mass, and also in the photos taken afterward. In the future, these photos will tell everyone that the focus of the day was on the Candidates and the Holy Sacrament received from the Altar, which Jesus gives as the Food of Life to nourish us through our pilgrimage through this world to the Father's Kingdom.

(4) ARRIVAL Catholic School Candidates should arrive at least 40 minutes prior to their 1st Communion Mass to *Sign In* at an Information Table in the Vestibule, and to find seats with their families *as close as possible to the Sanctuary*. Because of their height, they would not have an appropriate view of the Altar if they are seated towards the back.

(5) Most other GUIDELINES FOR THE LITURGY remain as usual. There is *no photography during Mass* (time for posed photos will be available afterward.) At the time when the Candidates receive their Holy Communion, they approach the Altar with their families.

Confirmation

Guidelines for 2023

Our Parish is grateful to be able to celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for the Grade 7 students who have been preparing to receive this Sacrament in Easter Season this year. The Parish has four groups of Candidates:

(a) St. Albert School; (b) St. Maria Goretti School; (c) the Saturday Class for students in other schools; (d) the RCIC.

(1) INSTRUCTION MATERIAL for Confirmation is provided through the school curriculum, in the Information pages distributed at the February Family Information Nights, and at all three of the *Student Instructions* held in the schools in March. Each of the Instruction presentations has simple *Scripture* and *Catechism* references, so that Candidates and their families can review and reflect on the material, and use it for prayer and personal preparation for the day of their Confirmation.

(2) REVIEW It is important that families review the information for this Sacrament. For their convenience, summaries are provided regularly in the website bulletin. For Confirmation, check the website bulletins for'

2 April 2023, pages 3-4

16 April 2023, pages 5-10

(3) We will resume the use of CONFIRMATION GOWNS, so Candidates will need to cooperate with their teachers, to ensure that their gown, in the correct size, is properly reserved.

(4) ATTIRE *How to dress?* Since we will be resuming the use of the gowns this year, the **Candidates** should simply wear "Sunday best," which is formal or semi-formal attire. They may also incorporate a simple *white component* to their attire (e.g., a white shirt, blouse, dress, etc.) as a reminder of the connection between Confirmation and Baptism. **Family members** and **Sponsors** should avoid clothing with garish

or bold patterns (stripes, logos, etc.), and wear simple, solid neutral colours, so that the Candidates stand out during the Mass. For men: black/grey, navy or khaki tones; for women: black/grey/white, or pastels. In the future, the photos will tell everyone that the focus of the day was on the Candidates and the Sacrament received in front of the Altar, by which the Holy Spirit empowers us to live as faithful disciples of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

(5) There will be REHEARSALS to prepare the Candidates to receive this Sacrament in a focused and prayerful manner; they will also need to pay close attention to the directions given during the Mass.

(6) The CONFIRMATION CARD which each Candidate presents to the Pastor at the time they receive the Sacrament, will need to have the chosen **Confirmation Name** printed in large letters on the front.

The Confirmation Name is the Christian *Baptismal* name, or the name of another *Saint* who will serve as a lifelong patron and prayer partner to the newly-confirmed.

(7) Most other GUIDELINES FOR THE LITURGY remain as usual. There is *no photography during Mass* (time for posed photos will be available afterward.) At the time when the Candidates receive their Confirmation, they approach the Altar with their classmates, and the Sponsors stand behind them.

The Liturgy

Confirmation is ordinarily celebrated within the context of the Holy Mass. Following the Proclamation of the Word of God, the Sacrament is administered in this order:

Presentation of the Candidates

Homily

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Laying On of Hands

Anointing with Sacred Chrism



Ecclesiastical Universities in Rome Numbers, History and Courses

Almost 16,000 students, the majority of them men religious, nuns, seminarians and priests, study in one of the 22 Pontifical Institutions that are in the City of Rome and depend on the Vatican. They come from 125 countries.

One of the usual surprises for tourists and pilgrims visiting Rome is to come across nuns, seminarians or priests dressed in the most varied clerical or monastic habits. The visitor usually comes across an unexpected surprise: it seems that in Rome there is not only a surplus of art but also an excess of vocations. At least judging from the quantity of priests and nuns that are on the streets, not only around the Vatican.

Thousands of seminarians, priests, nuns, consecrated lay men and women come to Rome to engage in ecclesiastical studies in one of the Universities, Athenaeums, Pontifical Institutes or Academies that exist in the city.

What Is Taught in the Pontifical Institutions?

The data that follows refers to the academic year 2021-2022. Although Theology is the most offered sacred science in the Universities, 22% of the total, it's not the only one. It is followed by Philosophy, 13%, and Canon Law, 7.4%. In the fourth place are Religious Sciences, 6%. There are also Faculties dedicated to the teaching of more specialized subjects, such as Archaeology, Musicology, Liturgy, Education Sciences, Church History and Mariology.

More specific sectors of specialization are higher formation in the musical realm, Christian Antiquity, Anthropology, Cultural Goods of the Church, Bioethics, Institutional Communication of the Church, Law, Religious Education, Priestly Formation, Leadership and Management, Christian and Classical Literature, Morality, Orientalism, Patristics, Pedagogy, Psychology, Sacred Scripture, Sciences of Marriage and Family, Sciences of Social Communication, Sciences of Peace and International Relations, Social Sciences, Spirituality, Arab and Islamic Studies, Ecumenical Studies, Hebrew Studies and Jewish and Christian Relations, and Inter-Religious Studies.

What Is a Pontifical University, How Many Are There, and How Old Are They?

The 22 Institutions spread throughout Rome (known as "Pontifical Universities") are high level Institutions erected and approved canonically by the Holy See. They depend on it and report directly to it. Despite being on "Italian territory," they are governed by rules of the Vatican.

The oldest University is the Pontifical Gregorian University of the Society of Jesus, erected in 1551; the most recent is the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, of the Legionaries of Christ, erected in 1993. Between, historically, are the following Universities and Athenaeums:

- 1577 Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum) of the Dominican Fathers
- 1622 Pontifical Urban University
- 1773 Pontifical Lateran University
- 1887 Pontifical Antonianum University
- 1887 Pontifical Athenaeum of Saint Anselm
- 1940 Pontifical Salesian University of the Salesians of Saint John Bosco
- 1984 Pontifical University of the Holy Cross, of the Personal Prelature of the Opus Dei

The Institutes are:

- 1909 Pontifical Biblical Institute
- 1910 Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music
- 1917 Pontifical Oriental Institute
- 1925 Pontifical Institute of Christian Archaeology
- 1926 Pontifical Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies
- 1949 Pontifical Institute of Moral Theology Alfonsianum
- 1969 Pontifical Patristic Institute Augustinianum
- 1971 Pontifical Institute of Theology of Consecrated Life Claretianum
- 1981 Pontifical John Paul II Theological Institute for the Sciences of Marriage and the Family

The Congregations or Orders that run the Pontifical Institutions in Rome are: the Jesuits, the Legionaries of Christ, the Claretians, the Redemptorists, the Discalced Carmelites, the Franciscans, the Capuchins, the Dominicans, the Servants of Mary, the Benedictines, the Augustinians, the Opus Dei, the Salesians and the White Fathers. The only feminine Congregation with Pontifical Institution are the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians.



March For Life Week Ottawa, 7 - 12 May 2023

The **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE WEEK** is almost here. We need to get the word out about two jam-packed events that are being held exclusively for young pro-lifers. Here's what we have planned.

The "Stand for Life" Youth Banquet and Summit is scheduled for 11 and 12 May. Tickets are still available, but they're going fast, which is no surprise.

The event this year is stacked with some incredible speakers, but it's not just about the talks – it's about the whole experience. And it all kicks off on the evening of 11 May, after the National March, with the annual Youth Banquet, which is the perfect opportunity to dress up and enjoy a great meal together. The Banquet opens with some praise and worship and a performance by Steadfast Worship!, a Toronto-based youth band.

Then, after the music, and when everyone is done eating, Isabel Brown will take the stage. She's this year's keynote speaker and is simply amazing.

Isabel is a best-selling author and a Turning Point USA contributor who creates plenty of pro-life content online. Her passion for the pro-life movement is remarkable.

The next day is the big "Stand for Life" Youth Summit, where we have a roster of pro-life experts from around the world. And everything is rooted in prayer.

That's why the Summit starts off with a special pro-life Mass at the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre, and it will be led by **Fr. Mark Goring**. Steadfast Worship! will be there, too, for some praise and worship music, and there will be a light breakfast. (You can't hold a pro-life summit on an empty stomach, right?)

Autumn Higashi is one of the day's keynote speakers, she's a spokesperson for *Students for Life of America* and host of the UNAPOLOGETIC podcast.

Doctor Calum Miller is the other keynote speaker, he's a bioethicist and research associate for the University of Oxford. He also happens to be a rising star in the global pro-life movement.

On top of all that, our youth coordinators are planning a full-slate of breakout sessions throughout the day, with talks from **Angelique Clark**, the founder of the pro-life apparel line, LIFE DRESS; **Dr. Haywood Robinson**, a former abortionist who works at 40 DAYS FOR LIFE now, and **Dr. Monique Ruberu**, an OB-GYN and fertility specialist.

Our very own **Josie Luetke** will be there, too! She really knows her stuff, and there might be a chance to pick her brain about some pro-life apologetics.

The "Stand for Life" Youth Banquet and Summit is ideally for pro-lifers between the ages of 13-29.

Maybe you have some children in that age range who would love to come, or even your grandkids.

Tickets are available online at our website or by calling us at 1-800-730-5358. Seats can also be reserved through Campaign Life Coalition's Ottawa Office at 613-729-0379.



Our theme for the **2023 National March for Life** is "STAND FIRM." This is a call to be strong for those who are weak. We will defend the preborn, mothers in crisis pregnancies, those targeted due to disability, and the elderly in hospitals and care homes. We will not sit on the sidelines but will take a position in favour of the vulnerable and marginalized.

STAND FIRM is a promise not to cede one inch of ground. As the abortion debate catches like wildfire, pro-lifers will be tempted to "moderate" our demands, to make our argument more palatable for public consumption—to make concessions and compromises now that we have a taste of success. We will not be swayed by popular opinion though. We will hold tightly to principle. We will STAND FIRM for the right to life of EVERY human being from conception to natural death, without exception.

STAND FIRM is a reminder to put on the armor of God, spiritually fortifying ourselves with truth, justice, and faith – not with worldly weapons. The violence of abortion and euthanasia will be met with the gospel of peace. We recognize that we fight not against abortionists and "doctors" who kill their patients, nor against death-pushing activists, nor Godless politicians; we lovingly fight for them—for their conversion. We fight for lives. We fight for souls.