

2025 MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE

Suggested Itinerary

Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Wednesday Jan 22-Saturday Jan 25

Co-sponsored by the Adult Evangelization & Pro-Life Offices

LODGING: Holiday Inn Washington Capitol-National Mall – 202.479.4000

550 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20024

Nearest Metro Station: L'Enfant Plaza – 600 Maryland Ave SW, Washington, DC 20024

National March for Life Information: https://marchforlife.org/national-march-for-life/

Wednesday – January 22, 2025

- Arrive in Washington DC / Check-in at Holiday Inn hotel.
- March for Life Expo: 9:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. @ Westin D.C. Downtown Hotel (999 9th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20001)
 - The March for Life Expo is an opportunity for March for Life attendees to connect with pro-life organizations and ministries from across the country. This event is FREE to attend and open to the public.
 The March for Life Expo will be open Wednesday Friday.
- <u>Capitol Hill 101</u> @ Westin Hotel (registeration required)
 - Session 1: 11:00 am 12:00 p.m.
 - Session 2: 4:00 pm 5:00 p.m.
 - Capitol Hill 101 is a FREE seminar, giving participants the opportunity to learn how to make their voices heard by their elected representatives. Hear from the top lobbyists in the pro-life movement how to effectively navigate the legislative system, from Capitol Hill to Town Hall.
- National Prayer Vigil for Life The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
 Address: 400 Michigan Ave. Northeast, DC 2023 This is a wonderful event but VERY crowded, especially with
 visiting youth/school groups. It will be shared via livestream at www.nationalshrine.org/mass.
 - o 3:00 pm- depart for National Shrine with other Archdiocesan groups
 - 5:00 pm— Opening Mass of the National Prayer Vigil for Life. The National Holy Hour of Life immediately follows. This event will be livestreamed on www.nationalshrine.org/mass and broadcast live on EWTN and other networks.

Thursday – January 23, 2025

- **5:00 pm**: National Prayer Vigil for Life Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC (400 Michigan Avenue, Northeast Washington, D.C. 20017)
- 7:00 pm: Holy Hour for Life

Friday – January 24, 2025

- 9:00 am: Kansas Mass with Archbishop Naumann St. Dominic Catholic Church (630 E St. SW- walking distance from hotel)
- 10:00 am (or after Mass): Continental style breakfast at the hotel restaurant (Holiday Inn Capitol)
- 11:00 am: Depart for the March for Life Rally
- March for Life Events on the National Mall (https://marchforlife.org/national-march-for-life)

Pre-Rally Concert: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
 March for Life Rally: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

• March for Life: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

• 7:00 pm: ArchKCK Holy Hour at St. Dominic Catholic Church (630 E St. SW - walking distance from hotel)

Saturday – January 25, 2025

Open Day - Suggested options:

- 9:00 am Daily Mass at St. Dominic Church (630 E St. SW walking distance from hotel)
- 5:00 pm Mass at St. Dominic Church (630 E St. SW walking distance from hotel)
- Optional places to visit:
 - o The Cardinal O'Connor Conference on Life
 - Saturday, January 25, 9:30-5:00 pm
 - Georgetown University, Washington, D.C
 - The Cardinal O'Connor Conference on Life is the largest student-run, pro-life conference in the country, and is held every year at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. on the Saturday following the March for Life. The Conference strives to promote intellectually rigorous discourse on the dignity of human life. We aim to encourage discussion among men and women of all faiths and backgrounds, including students, professionals, academics, and clergy.
 - Visit their website at oconnorconference.com (\$30 registration fee per person)
 - The National Pro-Life Summit
 - Saturday, Jan 25, 9:00 am 6:00 pm
 - Omni Shoreham; 2500 Calvert St. NW, DC
 - On the day after the National Pro-Life March in Washington, D.C., Students for Life of America alongside Students for Life Action, Alliance Defending Freedom, and other allies will present the second annual National Pro-Life Summit! The Summit is a one-day training event for grassroots pro-life activists of all ages.
 - Register at <u>prolifesummit.com</u> (\$60 students / \$85 Adults)
 - Museum of the Bible 400 4th St SW, Washington, DC 20024
 - Through interactive exhibits and cutting-edge technology, Museum of the Bible brings guests an immersive, personal experience with the impact, narrative, and history of the Bible.
 - Make sure to check their website for hours of operation.
 - Order your tickets at <u>museumofthebible.org</u>
 - The Holocaust Museum
 - https://www.ushmm.org/
 - 100 Raoul Wallengberg Pl., SW, Washington, DC 20024-2126
 - Make sure to check their website for hours of operation.
 - Saint Pope John Paul II Shrine
 - https://www.jp2shrine.org/en/index.html
 - 3900 Harewood Rd., NE, Washington, DC 20017
 - Open daily (no admission fee); M-F 10:00 am 3:30 pm; Sat. 10am 5pm; Sun. 10am 8pm

Sunday - January 26, 2025

- Open Day
- Mass available at St. Dominic @ 8am and 10:30am

OTHER EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

NATIONAL PRO-LIFE PRAYER SERVICE

Friday, January 24, 2025 at DAR Constitution Hall - 1776 D St., NW) 8:30 - 10:30 am; Catholic Mass at 7:30 am

The 30th Annual National Prayer Service will again take place on the morning of the March for Life, January 24, 2025 at Constitution Hall in Washington, DC.

For more information, see NationalPrayerService.com.

SMITHSONIAN MUSEUMS

There are various Smithsonian Museums in the Washington D.C. area. All are open to the public everyday except Christmas Day. See <u>website</u> for more information.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The Thomas Jefferson Building is open to visitors Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Note:** Last entry is at 4:30 p.m. Free timed-entry passes are required. See website for more information.

SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court is open Monday – Friday (except Federal Holidays) 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Closed on Saturday and Sunday. See <u>website</u> for more information.

DC MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS

The Washington D.C. area is home to numerous monuments and memorials. More information on visiting hours, ticket availability and general accessibility can be found on this <u>website</u>.

OTHER RESOURCES

Transportation

- General Transportation in Washington DC
- Metrobus
- <u>Metrorail</u>
- <u>Uber in Washington D.C.</u> use downloaded app to reserve rides
- lyft in Washington D.C. use downloaded app to reserve rides