PRO-LIFE OFFICE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Greetings from the Pro-Life Office!

Thank you to all of you for all you did to share the Gospel of Life during Respect Life Month! We are grateful to the parishes who participated in the Life Chain and 40 Days for Life, helped us promote Respect Life Sunday and our "Signs of Hope" speaker event, and held your own parish awareness or prayer event. May the Holy Spirit bear fruit from your faithful efforts!

November continues with more respect-life themes. It is often referred to by Catholics as the Month of the Holy Souls and is a time to remember and pray for those who have gone before us. It is also a fitting time to consider our passing from this life into the next and how to provide life-affirming care to our loved ones who are nearing

that time. Sometimes it is difficult to remember the profound value of every life, especially when it is at its frailest moments. This is why it is so important for us to lift up caregivers and healthcare providers in prayer this month to remind them of the very holy work they are doing, caring for a loved one and providing love and hope until the very end.

It is also National Adoption Awareness Month. Our Foster/Adopt Ministry is hosting an appreciation event for its families this month. Please consider ways to support awareness for these important life topics in your parishes. See below for ideas and resources.

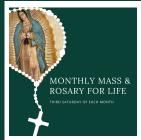
May God bless you for all you do to share the Gospel of Life!

Debra Niesen, Melissa Joerger, Ann Marie Alvey, and Kathy White



CALL TO ACTION

Action Alerts can be found at archkck.org/pro-life-action-alerts



PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED!

KCK Monthly Mass & Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood. Fr. Keith Chadwick, the new pastor at Christ the King in KCK, is asking for our help to prayerfully end the harm being done to unborn children and women at the KCK Planned Parenthood. Please promote this Monthly Third Saturday prayer opportunity to your parish communities and let's show up to storm the heavens with prayer! Moving forward we have scheduled two area parishes per month to offer an "Invitation to Pray" to your communities. Thank you for working with us to support this important, life-saving witness! Our Lady of Guadalupe, please intercede for us! Click <u>HERE</u> to see schedule and sign up.

LIFE TOPICS SURVEY

We are discussing the possibility of doing a spring "Pro-Life" Speaker Series. Help us plan by letting us know what life topics are most interesting and relevant to you and your community! Click <u>HERE</u> for very brief survey.





THE CULTURE PROJECT

If you haven't already, please send a reminder about the Culture Project Missionaries to your school, youth ministry, and religious education leaders. The Culture Project calendar is starting to fill up and we don't want your students to miss out! Share the www.archkck.org/the-culture-project website today!

PAST EVENTS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming events can be found at archkck.org/pro-life-events

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NOTE: click on the event for live links

- Nov 12 FREE <u>Down Syndrome and Disability Selective Abortion</u> webinar hosted by Wisconsin Right to Life | Wednesday, November 12th, 2025 | 12:00 PM 1:00 PM CT
- Nov 15 BREATHE Respite Event | 4 7pm | Bishop Miege High School
- Nov 16 Foster/Adopt Family Appreciation Event Chiefs Watch Party! at Savior Pastoral Center | 3 7:30 pm
- Nov 13-21 Coalition Life Circle 9 Day Prayer Vigil Sign up to pray!
- Nov 15 KCK Pro-Life Monthly Mass, Rosary & Procession | 8am Mass at Christ the King KCK
- Nov 16 Chili Tailgate Fundraiser for Nativity House KC 12 3 pm | St. James Academy. Free-will offering event.
- Jan 22-24 Archdiocesan Adult National March for Life DC Trip | SAVE THE DATE -Registration to open soon
- Jan 28 IGNITE for Life & KS March for Life REGISTER TODAY! (details below)

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR IGNITE 2026! PLAN YOUR PARISH GROUP TRIP!

Make plans to join Archbishop McKnight and Catholics from across Kansas in Topeka, January 28, for IGNITE for Life and the Kansas March for Life! IGNITE for Life includes live music, inspiring speakers including keynote David Bereit, the celebration of the Mass with the Kansas Bishops, and a pro-life ministry fair. Following IGNITE, join in the March for Life to the Capitol for the Kansans for Life Rally. The ProLife Office will be offering a bus transportation option for parish groups and individuals. Stay tuned for reservation information.



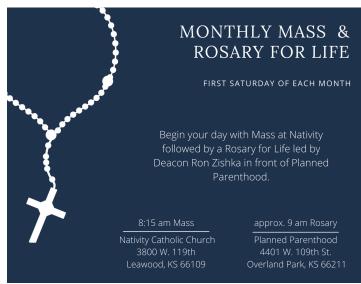
NEW! ARCHKCK WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED VIDEO!

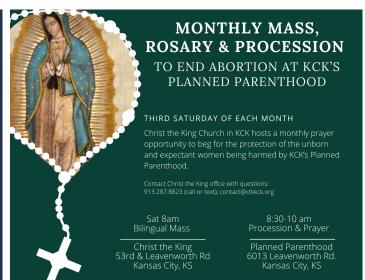
Please help us share the incredible fruit coming from the Walking With Moms in Need initiative that helps make the Church and our parishes places of compassion and support for women and families experiencing challenging pregnancies. Visit archkck.org/walking-with-moms to access the new video that highlights the life-changing experiences taking place!



ONGOING EVENTS

Ongoing events can be found at archkck.org/pro-life-events





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COMMUNITY PARTNERS - HOW WE CAN HELP!

Community Partner Updates can be found at archkck.org/pro-life-news

Did you know that several incredible organizations in our community are working daily to uphold the dignity of life? In this section, we highlight news, events, and needs from our trusted pro-life partners. Whether you're looking to volunteer, donate, or simply stay informed, this is a great way to connect with others who share the mission of supporting life at every stage.

KANSANS FOR LIFE PRO-LIFE PODCAST

Join Kansans for Life as they connect to the pro-life movement's past to present. Uncover hidden or forgotten history and its connections to the battle still raging today. Stay On The Right Side of History with Kansans for Life.

Read MORE under "Community Partner Updates".



FULL-TIME NURSE - OLATHE WYANDOTTE PREGNANCY CLINIC

Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic (WPC/OPC) is seeking a mission-driven, full-time staff nurse to provide compassionate life-affirming care to women and families at all locations.

Read MORE under "Community Partner Updates".

SELAH HOME

We are excited to share an important opportunity here at Insight Women's Center. We have an opening for a Fatherhood Coordinator, a part time position, to help lead and support our growing Fatherhood Initiative.

Read MORE under "Community Partner Updates".



PROGRAM/MINISTRY UPDATES

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THE CULTURE PROJECT

Encourage your parish youth ministry, religious education and school leaders to book the Culture Project today! Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".



WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Please help us share the incredible fruit coming from the Walking With Moms in Need initiative that helps make the Church and our parishes places of compassion and support for women and families experiencing challenging pregnancies by sharing THIS GRAPHIC to help promote a new video that highlights the life-changing experiences taking place! Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".



EMBRACE GRACE

Church of the Ascension is about wrap up their third "semester" with a baby shower on November 23rd. They have 3 beautiful moms and, as of yesterday, 2 adorable babies! Baby number three is due in December, unless he makes a surprise early arrival. Our new semester will start in late February 2026. Holy Trinity will begin a new semester on November 6th and are expecting 6 women! Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".



THE GABRIEL PROJECT

At the Gabriel Project, one of our Angels recently delivered a Welcome Diaper bag filled with diapers, wipes, sleepers and self-care items for a mom whose baby boy will be born right before Thanksgiving. Another Angel delivered sleepers and clothing for a mom whose baby girl came early. We have two Angels working with moms at St. Mary's Home for Mothers, two who are working with a bi-Lingual Angel and one who just contacted us and will be getting her Angel soon! Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".



PROJECT RACHEL / PROJECT JOSEPH

This week Project Rachel will begin a new program - a Drop-In group for any woman affected by abortion. It will be on the first Thursdays of every month through May. It is a place to listen and learn, ask questions and find support. Please contact Ann Marie Alvey at projectrachelkc@archkck.org or call/text at 913-621-2199 for further details.



Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".

THRIVE FOSTER CARE/ADOPT MINISTRY

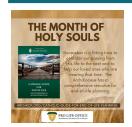
The ArchKCK Foster Care Ministry is hosting a Foster/Adopt Family Appreciation event a Chiefs Watch Party on November 16th 3 - 7:30 pm! Read MORE under "Pro-Life Ministry Updates".



Pro-Life Resources can be found at archkck.org/prolife/resources

PRO-LIFE WEBSITE RESOURCES

The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas offers a comprehensive collection of pro-life resources designed to support individuals, families, clergy, and parish leaders in fostering a culture of life. Below is an overview of the available materials and services. For more detailed information and to access these resources, visit the <u>Archdiocese's Pro-Life Resources page</u>.



CATHOLIC GUIDE FOR END OF LIFE

The Archdiocese has a comprehensive resource for end-of-life planning titled "Catholic Guide for End of Life and Establishing of Advance Directives".

The purpose of the guide is to assist the faithful in making wise decisions in accordance with the teachings of our faith about complex treatments in grave illness or as life's end approaches. It also includes two Appendices for a Durable Power of Attorney and an Advance Directive form.



ADOPTION RESOURCES

- Archkck.org/foster Archdiocesan Foster/Adopt Ministry
- <u>Catholiccharitiesks.org/adoption</u> Archdiocesan adoption agency
- <u>Springsoflove.org</u> Catholic adoption support
- Bravelove.org Support for birth moms



NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS RESOURCE PAGE

This is a reminder about the Archdiocesan partnership with the National Catholic Bioethics Center. This partnership provides resources and personal consults to priests and parishioners to help navigate ethical issues surrounding health care, end-of-life care, infertility, and other important life issues. Visit the Archdiocesan NCBC website, archkck.org/bioethics for important membership resources.

NCBC Biweekly Ethics Update Highlights - October 21, 2025 (Complete update can be found at archkck.org/bioethics)
Featured Articles:

- Brooklyn Bishop Calls On Faithful to Lobby Against New York Assisted Suicide Legislation. Read More
- Bioethics Public Policy Report: October 21, 2025. Read More

Featured NCBC Video Topic: The Gift of Dying Well. Read More



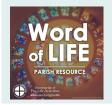
URGENT LIFE RESOURCES

This quick-reference guide offers immediate access to critical information for urgent situations related to life issues. It's recommended to keep this resource readily available—saved on a phone, printed, or bookmarked—and to share it within parish bulletins to ensure accessibility for those in need. (click on images for larger graphic)

MONTHLY PRAYER GUIDES



The Respect Life Prayer & Action Monthly Prayer Guide is a great resource for prayers, novenas, and blessings. Each category offers downloadable, easy-to-use content to support pro-life prayer and ministry efforts. Click image to learn more.



The USCCB **Word of Life** is a great monthly resource as it contains petitions, bulletin quotes, graphics, reflections, and adoption education resources. It is a useful tool available to us every month! *Click image to learn more.*