



40 Days for Life Twin Cities Fall 2026: *Adopt-A-Day — A Call to Joy*

by Brian Walker
Program Director

“Consider it nothing but joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you fall into various trials. Be assured that the testing of your faith [through experience] produces endurance [leading to spiritual maturity, and inner peace]. And let endurance have its perfect result and do a thorough work, so that you may be perfect and completely developed [in your faith], lacking in nothing.”

— James 1:2-4, Amplified Bible

The road to joy, spiritual maturity and inner peace is very often not the road we would choose. Like most of us, I prefer an easier path; to go through a trial or trials, I'll pass.

But that's not the biblical way to grow in our faith. We have read about martyrs, prophets and saints; they are not known for the easy path they blazed, but the difficult one. By God's grace and His equipping, they determined as James said, “faith without works is dead.”

This coming fall, September 23 – November 1, 40 Days for Life Twin Cities will be held outside Planned Parenthood (671 Vandalia St., St. Paul, MN 55114). The focus this fall will be ADOPT-A-DAY. We all know the beauty and advantages of adoption. When you participate in an ADOPT-A-DAY you are making a statement that you are willing to make a stand for the life of preborn babies and expecting to grow in your spiritual maturity through your peaceful presence and prayer on the sidewalk.

I'm praying for every day to be filled. Yes, all 40 of them. When Regions Hospital closed its abortuary, our 40 Days for Life there was a 24/7 for 40 days campaign. Thirty-five of the ADOPT-A-DAYS were filled and God moved mightily.



Students from Holy Family Church and School prayed outside Planned Parenthood during this past Lenten 40 Days for Life in St. Paul.

We're not calling for 24/7 now, just 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., two or more persons praying on-site outside Planned Parenthood. Though not a requirement, please have your pastor join you for an hour.

In years past, churches have promoted, recruited and scheduled an ADOPT-A-DAY and filled all the hours with two or more participants. A business can ADOPT-A-DAY; an organization, a family, men's groups, bible study groups, and more can participate.

One year I scheduled an ADOPT-A-DAY on my own. A friend and I got some folding chairs and prayed, worshiped and read the bible for 12 hours as men from our church joined us so we always had two or more in prayer. What a powerful witness to passersby, motorists, abortion clients, and escorts (we do not interact with them); we came to pray.

It's not too early to get started and organize your church or group. You can-

not pick an ADOPT-A-DAY online, you must contact me at (651) 797-6363. I will need your full name, phone number, mailing address, name of your church and pastor, your e-mail address and the date you pick.

First come, first served. The dates that have been taken will be posted on the 40 Days for Life Twin Cities calendar at: www.facebook.com/40DaysForLifeTwinCities/ Please have a few days in mind in case a day you want is taken. Also, please avoid doubling up on dates; we want to fill all 40 days. If you are an experienced ADOPT-A-DAY group, consider adopting a day during the week, leaving the weekend to less experienced 40 Days for Life participants.

Let's grow in faith, spiritual maturity and inner peace, together, during 40 Days for Life and save the lives of our preborn brothers and sisters during 40 Days for Life Twin Cities Fall 2026. See you on the sidewalk.

From the CEO, Brian Gibson . . .

A Tribute to Dr. Jérôme Lejeune

My brother Matthew, who passed from this life to God in January 2020, was intellectually and physically challenged due to a difficulty during Mom's pregnancy with him. It was a joy to have Matt as one of my seven brothers and one sister, not only while growing up, but throughout our lifetimes.

Matthew came to mind as I realized that this past June 13 was the 100th birthday of the scientist who discovered the extra chromosome on the 21st pair known as Down Syndrome. Though Matthew was not a Down child, there were similarities to those with Down. Like almost every Down child I have ever met, and there have been many throughout the years, Matt brought joy and a simple love into our family and to so many others. His impact on the lives of so many was profound. We receive so much from those that many consider inferior.

But this is meant to be more of a tribute to Dr. Jérôme Lejeune. The following biography is from the Jérôme Lejeune Foundation:

Jérôme Lejeune was born in 1926 in Montrouge, near Paris. He studied medicine and became a researcher at the National Center of Scientific Research (CNRS) in Paris in 1952. Dr. Lejeune was also the founder of the first specialized clinic for Trisomy 21 patients at Necker Children's Hospital in Paris.

In July 1958, as he was studying chromosomes linked to Down syndrome, he discovered the existence of an additional chromosome on the 21st pair. With this remarkable and ground-breaking discovery, he renamed the condition trisomy 21 to accurately describe the genetic abnormality. For the first time Dr. Lejeune had established a link between an intellectual disability and its genetic cause. Dr. Lejeune would go on to discover the genetic cause of cri-du-chat syndrome and to also advance understanding of fragile X syndrome and others.

In recognition of his discovery, in 1964 Jérôme Lejeune was named the first Professor of Fundamental Genetics at the Faculty of Medicine of Paris. While

increasing his research he continued to remain available to families, caring for disabled children, and to travel the world giving thousands of lectures on genetics. As a well-known geneticist, he was called to the United States to testify in court in Davis v. Davis, the Tennessee Frozen Embryo Case, in Maryville, Tennessee in 1989.

Jérôme Lejeune received numerous awards and was elected as a member of several academies. In 1962 he was honored in Washington, D.C. by President John F. Kennedy with the first Kennedy Prize for his research into genetic intellectual disability and for finding the genetic cause of Down syndrome. In 1969 he received the William Allen Award from the American Society of Human Genetics – the highest award possible for a geneti-



Dr. Lejeune with one of his beloved Down acquaintances.

cist.

Jérôme Lejeune died April 3, 1994, shortly after being appointed by Pope John Paul II to serve as the first president of the Pontifical Academy for Life.

Dr. Lejeune recognized that those with an intellectual disability were as fully human as any one of us, deserving the dignified respect that is due to all human beings. His unswerving dedication to the cause of life was shown throughout his

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Celebrating 25 Years of Pro-Life Action Ministries in Central Florida at Annual Life Banquet

by Michele Herzog
Central Florida Branch Manager

What an incredible evening May 12 at our Annual Life Banquet, celebrating 25 years of Pro-Life Action Ministries of Central Florida! The Lord was high and lifted up with the evening starting off with worship led by Pastor Mark Burton, with his wife Alaine. What a way to begin the evening singing unto the Lord!

We were blessed once again this year with the Victorious Living Fellowship giving their Choric Speaking, which was so profoundly spoken in defense of the unborn that there was a standing ovation.

Next we were blessed to have one of the moms who chose life last summer proudly come on stage holding her beautiful baby girl high in the air for everyone to see. She shared how very thankful she was for us to have been there the day that she came for an abortion. What a miracle from God Almighty. Thank you Lord for this life saved and her mom's life changed!

Next, our guest speaker, Troy Newman, was awesome, sharing his story of the many trials he has faced, along with so many other defenders of LIFE. One big trial was being sued by the state of California and Planned Parenthood for being on the board of the Center for Medical Progress and exposing the evil selling of aborted baby body parts.

Through it all, his message aligned with our theme this year — “Be Strong and of Good Courage”— to not become complacent, but to continue forward fighting for the rights, protection and per-

Dr. Lejeune (from page 2)

lifetime and far beyond. We are grateful to God for Dr. Lejeune’s scientific talents and his good moral character.

May we all go deeper in our faith in understanding God’s great grace that has been poured out through the death and resurrection of our Savior toward all human beings, the strong and the weak, the great and the small, the intellectual giants and the intellectually challenged alike.



A mom holds her baby girl high for all to see the results of the sidewalk counseling efforts of Pro-Life Action Ministries/Central Florida (while another beautiful baby saved this past year is on the screen)! Michele Herzog, Central Florida Branch Manager, joyfully applauds.

sonhood of the least of these, the youngest in our nation.

Elizabeth Peyton sang a beautiful song about life that left the room completely silent, and then Brian Gibson, our CEO, closed the evening with reading of scripture and prayer.

What an incredible evening filled with testimonies, saved lives, and encouragement to be strong and of good courage,

to press on being a voice for the voiceless. Praise the name of Jesus.

We want to thank everyone who came out on such a rainy evening to fill every seat in the house, and for the prayers, support and encouragement. We are so very thankful. For those who weren't able to make it, we are still taking donations for our once-a-year fundraiser.

Public Awareness Event in Duluth, Minn.



Connie Joppa, left, and Deb Medlin hold signs at the "Can I Live" event June 6. There were 50+ people who joined us to stand for life and give the gospel to those walking or driving by. It was a great time!

— by Sarah Winandy, Assistant Director, Pro-Life Ministries of Duluth

A “Berry” Sweet Baby is on the Way: Rutha’s Shower

by Lynn Benson

Sidewalk Ministry Coordinator

Rutha is a wonderful, strong woman, expecting another baby, her first girl, in mid-July. I met Rutha in November outside Planned Parenthood in St. Paul. She didn’t feel ready to welcome another baby into the world so we started to build a friendship over the past few months to navigate the path ahead with two little ones. She has a darling three-year-old boy named Sir.

Rutha has taught me lots of interesting things like how to drive around Minneapolis, parallel parking tips, and the best menu item to order at Noodles and Co. (Chicken Alfredo with extra MontAmore cheese), as we lunched and laughed together. I appreciate her attitude of gratitude and perseverance. She gives a gorgeous manicure too.

I introduced Rutha to some of my sidewalk ministry friends—Marie H., Abby D., and Jasmine E. at a lunch for her 30th birthday in April, sponsored in part by our long-time sidewalk counselor, John



Lynn Benson and Rutha Parish enjoying Rutha’s baby shower.

Taschuk.

Then on June 6, the ladies of the Church of St. Mary in St. Paul, including Margaret H., Terri M., Susan R., Susan G., and my sidewalk ministry friends hosted a baby shower for our beloved Rutha and her precious baby girl. All these ladies have been praying for Rutha over the past six months. Rutha’s registry

had a cute baby comforter and bedding set with a strawberry motif so we ran with that as a party theme and had so much fun planning it. Twenty-four people showed up, including Rutha’s mom, Carolyn, and dad, Aundra, baby’s dad Eldray, and other aunties, uncle and cousins. We had a strawberry tattoo station, diaper pong, and a scratch-off door-prize game including beautiful, hand-made beeswax candles donated from AldenCandles.com for prizes.

With Chipotle catering and homemade taco meat, beans, and salsa made by Terri M., we enjoyed the delicious food together and had a great time getting to know each other and Rutha’s family. Rutha, beautiful in her 8th month of pregnancy, was beaming, laughing and very grateful for the blessing of needed (and cute) baby items. The ladies also each brought a book to bless the new baby. Big brother, Sir, was especially excited about those.

Note — To lighten Rutha’s burdens and show her the love of the Pro-Life Action Ministries community, you can support our Diaper Drive to help cover her baby girl’s diapering needs for the first two years with the best quality and valued diapers on the market from the pro-life company, Everylife. Please use the QR code below, left. You can also buy a baby gift at Rutha’s registry by using the QR code below, right. Thank you!



The following gifts were sent to Pro-Life Action Ministries:

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Joseph Paoletti by Janine Paoletti
Louis Raab and Barb Goth by Cathy Barthel
Isabelle and Clarence Rhode by Valerie and Lowell Kuhlman
Richard Fairclough by Pam Fairclough

In Honor of . . .

Jim and Gail Dickhausen (my amazing parents) by Matt and Danielle Dickhausen
Our wonderful adopted family by Neil and Mary Charpentier
Mark and Rita Brummel on their anniversary (May 23) by Maryann Brummel

Mother’s Day and Father’s Day

In Memory of . . .

Gustina Solberg and Thelma Spaulding by Helen Spaulding
Joseph and Irene Pyka by Lori A. Huebl

Thank you for your gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. An acknowledgment card is sent to the person or family you designate. (The amount of your gift is kept confidential.) If, in addition, you would like your memorial or honorarium published in Pro-Life Action News, please request that at the time of your donation.



Diaper Drive



Gift Registry

Or go to www.Target.com/registry and search for Rutha Parish.

“To dissociate the child from love is, for our species, a methodological error; contraception, which is to make love without making a child; artificial (*in vitro*) fertilization, which is to make a child without making love; abortion, which is to unmake the child; and pornography, which is to unmake love: all these, to varying degrees, are incompatible with natural law.”

— Dr. Jérôme Lejeune (see page 2)

Babies Saved

So far in 2026, we have documented 31 babies saved! Below is one of these stories. To read more, go to www.plam.org and click on “Babies Saved.”

Since the last newsletter, we have also had several *possible* baby-saved situations (or otherwise positive encounters with clients) while sidewalk counseling. Due to our strict criteria for documentation, we were unable to document these as babies saved specifically through our ministry although some could have been; we just don’t have enough information in these cases. We praise God that those mothers, besides the ones we documented, chose life, for whatever reason!

A Quick Trip to the Stoplight Confirms Baby Saved!

On June 11, volunteer sidewalk coun-

selor Neil S. called out to a young woman as she walked into the St. Paul Planned Parenthood (PP). Neil says he asks the Holy Spirit to give him the words to say to each person. He believes his last words to this particular woman were, “Save your child and don’t make a decision you will regret the rest of your life.”

Volunteer Laura L. took over for Neil when he left. About 45 minutes later, she and volunteer Kathleen S. called out to this couple as they left PP and were walking to their car. They drove out without stopping. Laura saw they had to stop for a red light on University, so she went down to the car and the mom rolled down her window. Laura started to hand her our brochures and asked her if she had been there for an abortion. She said yes. Laura then asked her if she was still preg-

nant; she said yes. Laura asked how far along she was and she said she was a month and a half along and was going to keep her baby. As Laura was handing her the brochures, she saw her husband/boyfriend had in his hand the brochures that he must have gotten from Neil on the previous shift. Laura asked if the pro-lifers’ presence on the sidewalk helped them in the decision to keep their baby and they said yes. At that point the light turned

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Go to this website for sidewalk counseling brochures, training and consultation or call (651) 797-6364. To receive our other newsletter, *Sidewalk Counseling News*, email: debra.braun@plam.org. This little newsletter, published three times a year for sidewalk counselors across the country, is filled with sidewalk counseling advice and resources. No charge, either by postal mail or via e-mail.

Special Call for Volunteers to help Save Lives in Uptown Minneapolis!

by Debra Braun
Education Director

We are in special need of volunteers to sidewalk counsel or pray outside the Planned Parenthood (PP) abortion facility in Uptown Minneapolis. As you may recall, we won our lawsuit against the City of Minneapolis, so there are no longer any restrictions on our free speech rights there. God restored our rights; we have a responsibility to use those rights to save babies and help their families!

Sidewalk Counselors — Besides the driveway, you have very close proximity to the clients as they walk in the back door from the parking lot, and also as they walk in the front door from the public sidewalk. We always need at least two sidewalk counselors because one person can’t reach all the clients (the sidewalk counselor at the driveway cannot see all who go in the front door). Because of the large windows, the sidewalk counselors can also continue to offer literature and motion for people to come out as they walk down the hallway, stop at the reception desk, and go upstairs to the waiting room.

Prayer Supporters — If you hold a sign while you pray, your presence is very valuable at this PP because, as just



mentioned, the clients can clearly see your signs with offers of help and fetal development photos from inside the building. (Unfortunately, we often don’t have any prayer supporters at this location.) You can also hold your signs on the public sidewalks that surround the parking lot. If you want (whether you hold a sign while you pray or not), you can also engage in conversations with the many people walking by (there is a large grocery store across the street).

Another advantage to this location is that the pro-life Alpha mobile pregnancy clinic is usually parked there two mornings a

week so ultrasounds and the full array of pregnancy services are available to women right on site. Other pregnancy resource centers are nearby in Minneapolis.

Please consider trying out this location! We would have you go out with a staff member or experienced volunteer. Free parking is available within a block or two. Contact Gary Gillet, Sidewalk Counseling Manager, at gary.gillet@plam.org or (651) 797-6366 for more information. Babies are typically killed at this location on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with abortion appointments from morning to mid-afternoon.

Babies Saved (from page 5)

green, but Laura was able to tell her that she would be praying for them. Laura

noticed that they had a South Dakota license plate. "It is a great day when you know a baby was saved," said Neil when he heard the outcome.

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www.plam.org/newsletter/newsletter-archives

Pray for . . .

Dr. Jamie Gamache, and other HealthPartners, M Health Fairview, Hennepin Healthcare, and Mayo Clinic abortionists

Jamie Gamache is a physician with the HealthPartners clinic in Apple Valley, Minn. One of our supporters asked Gamache if she did abortions and she admitted that she did. Our pro-life supporter said she wanted to work with a *pro-life* gynecologist and then Gamache said she would refer her to a urogynecologist who did not do abortions. When this pro-lifer contacted HealthPartners to see if there was a regular ob-gyn that she could see in the East metro area of the Twin Cities who doesn't do abortions, the response from HealthPartners was, "Unfortunately we do not have any ob-gyn doctors that do not perform terminations."

According to the Minnesota Department of Health's latest abortion report, (revised again in late February of this year), more than 96% of the abortions in 2024 were committed through the abortion facilities at which we pray and sidewalk counsel and two mail-order abortion businesses. However, 546 babies were killed by seven "reporting physicians, small clinics or hospitals."

Medical providers in Minnesota are required to report any abortions they commit, but we do not know if anyone in Gov. Tim Walz's administration is enforcing this law. Also, the Minnesota abortion report does not identify these abortionists or institutions (other than the businesses responsible for the majority of the abortions) and the Health Department has not responded to our requests for more detailed public information in the last several years.

But besides Gamache and HealthPartners, we know from other sources that M Health Fairview, Hennepin Healthcare, and the Mayo Clinic have committed abortions.

Since the state report doesn't identify abortionists (listing them only as

"Physician A", "Physician B", etc.) we don't know the names of many of them. Please pray that all the unknown abortionists and the medical practices they work for would stop killing unborn babies and would respect and protect the lives of all!

Listing Abortionists

A hallmark of our ministry has been confronting the evil of abortion with the love of Christ. This approach has included publicly identifying who the abortionists are. The practice of placing the names of abortionists in this newsletter has a twofold purpose: to ask for your heartfelt prayers for their conversion and to inform you so that you are not patients of those committing abortions. We have resoundingly condemned any sort of physical or psychological threats to anyone involved in abortion. Our desire is for the love of God to permeate the lives of those associated with abortion, that they will turn away from the harm they inflict and become followers of Christ as so many before them have done. Please pray for the following:

Minnesota

Julie Amaon, David Baram, Christy Boraas-Alsleben, Kristi Borowski, Robin Kutil Bresette, Nicole Chaisson, William Cliby, Sean Dowdy, Kathryn Eggleston, Abimbola Famuyide, June Fahrman, Kimberly Fischer, Hope Frisch, Lynn Hagedorn, Marilee Hanson, Amy Hertz, Judith L. Johnson, Liz Jordan, Christopher Klingele, Audrey Lance, Kristin (Schmalz) Lyerly, Mary Mahoney, Catherine McKegney, Joseph Nelson, Robyn Oliver, Jessika Ralph, Razel Remen, Carl Rose, Anuja Singh,

Carrie Terrell, Lori Thorndike, Sarah Traxler, Wendy White

Central Florida

Cori Baill, Darwin Jackson, Jose Quintana

Is Your Doctor Involved in Abortions? Does Your Doctor Prescribe Abortifacient Birth Control?

Ask your doctor if he/she does abortions (especially with the current increase and "ease" of prescribing the abortion pill) or refers for them, or prescribes abortifacients such as the Pill, Ortho Evra (the "patch"), Depo-Provera (the "shot"), Nuva-Ring, the "morning-after pill," implants, or the IUD. All these methods (and others) can cause very early abortions by thinning the lining of the uterus so that if breakthrough ovulation occurs (which is possible) and a new life is conceived, the young human being may not be able to attach to the uterine lining and therefore he or she dies. These methods can also be very dangerous, even deadly, to the woman. If you would like the names of completely pro-life physicians, see www.onemoresoul.com/nfp-directory. In Minnesota, you may also call our office at (651) 771-1500.

Natural Family Planning

*For information about the safe, effective and morally acceptable methods of **Natural Family Planning (NFP)**, contact One More Soul at: 1-800-307-7685 or www.onemoresoul.com. One More Soul has many resources to help people understand how children are a great blessing from God and how contraception is very harmful to women, and their marriages, and consequently to families, Church and society.*

Regular Prayer Times Outside the Abortion Centers

Join a group below or start your own prayer time outside an abortion center. We strongly encourage prayer groups from all denominations. To have your group listed here, contact Debra Braun at (651) 797-6364.

Central Florida

All Women's Health Center (AWHC) 431 Maitland Ave., Altamonte Springs

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) St. Margaret Mary, Barbara (407) 647-9230

Thursday 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) St. Mary Magdalen, Larry (407) 453-4583

Second Friday 10:30-12:30 (Rosary) St. Paul Catholic Community, Leesburg

Second Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Catholic Student Union and St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Jonathan Axel Schroder (407) 590-1977

Planned Parenthood 11500 University Blvd., Orlando

Saturday 8:30 a.m. (Rosary), Gerry (914) 837-7008 or Bernice (407) 310-8732

Second Saturday 10:15-11:15 a.m. (Rosary), Good Shepherd Church Respect Life Ministry, Kathy Ramsey (407) 970-5018

Orlando Women's Center (OWC) 1103 Lucerne Terrace, Orlando

Wednesday 10:00-11:00 a.m. (Rosary) Respect Life Ministry, Our Saviour's Church, Gene Rasmussen (407) 967-0992

Second Saturday 8:30-11:30 a.m., Holy Name of Jesus and Ascension K of C groups from Melbourne, Ray (321) 427-5582

Third Saturday 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Respect Life Ministry, Our Saviour's Church, Gene Rasmussen (407) 967-0992

Third Saturday 10:00-11:00 a.m., St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Duluth, Minn.

WE Health Clinic 32 E. First St. (Building For Women)

Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m., Sarah Winandy (715) 969-4506

There is also a prayer time every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. For location, call Tom at (218) 382-0015.

Mankato Minn.

Planned Parenthood 340 Stadium Road

Contact MankatoLovesLife@proton.me (Abortions are committed on Wednesdays.)

Moorhead, Minn.

Red River Women's Clinic 302 Hwy. 75 N.

(Abortions are committed on Wednesdays.)

Second Wednesday 9:15-11:00 a.m. (Rosary) (Option to carpool - meet at 8:30 in main parking lot of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 1043 Lake Ave., Detroit Lakes. Call Bill Quinn (609) 879-1214 for details.)

Rochester, Minn.

Planned Parenthood 1212 7th St., NW

Call Maggie (507) 951-2316 for details. (Abortions are committed on Mondays.)

Twin Cities

Brooklyn Park Planned Parenthood 7532 Brooklyn Blvd.

Wednesday 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 1:00-2:30 p.m. (Rosary) Life Matters, St. Stephen's, Anoka (Abortions are committed on Wednesdays.)

Eden Prairie Planned Parenthood 582 Prairie Center Dr. "Prayer at Tower Square"

Fourth Saturday 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet) Ashley (303) 746-2574

Little Canada Planned Parenthood 91 Viking Dr., W.

Second Wednesday 11:00 a.m.-noon, St. John's Culture of Life Committee and Knights of Columbus Nazareth Council 4021

Thursday 4:30-5:30 p.m. (Divine Mercy Chaplet) Transfiguration Church, contact Phil for details: philsto60@gmail.com

Third Saturday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Jan (651) 490-0247 Join us in praying and/or holding signs.

St. Paul Planned Parenthood 671 Vandalia St., St. Paul

Monday through Saturday 7:20 a.m. (Rosary) Bob (612) 247-1166

Thursday 3:00 p.m. (Rosary) Bob (612) 247-1166

Third Thursday 10:30-11:30 a.m. (Rosary) All Saints Church, Lakeville, Mary Bocek (651) 528-4617

Friday 9:30-10:00 a.m. (Rosary) led by a priest of the Archdiocese

Friday 3:00-3:30 p.m. (Rosary) Legion of Mary

Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) led by Rev. Thomas Dufner

First Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary, Chaplet, Silence) A Community Caring for Life, Michael Gross, gross-me@outlook.com

Whole Woman's 8053 E. Bloomington Freeway, Bloomington

First Tuesday 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. (Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet) Cannon Falls KCs / Catholic Watchmen Brotherhood

Wednesday Approximately 9:00 a.m. (Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet). For details, contact Bernadette (952) 941-8079 or Kathy (952) 356-9530 (Leave a message if no one answers.)

Thursday 9:45 a.m. (Rosary) Bloomington/Richfield Marian Council Knights of Columbus, Tom Mantel (952) 835-3945

Second Saturday (April through October) 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) Sts. Joachim and Anne Knights of Columbus, Robert Blake (612) 387-1922

News Briefs

* Heartbeat International, which operates the Abortion Pill Rescue (APR) Network, recently announced that more than 8000 babies have been saved by Abortion Pill Reversal! This safe, effective protocol uses natural progesterone to reverse the effects of mifepristone, the first drug in the abortion pill process, when a woman regrets starting a chemical abortion and wants to save her baby's life. A 2018 peer-reviewed study reported successful reversal rates between 64% and 68%, with no increase in birth defects and a lower preterm delivery rate than the general population.

* On Mother's Day, the Trump administration, through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, launched a new website (www.moms.gov) which includes "Resources, Information, and Help for New and Expecting Mothers." The very first link goes to www.OptionLine.org, the 24/7 bi-lingual helpline operated by Heartbeat International that counsels pregnant callers and directs them to their local pro-life pregnancy resource center. *Moms.gov* is the complete opposite of the website set up by the Biden administration which referred women to the nearest abortion facility! Trump had removed that pro-abortion website immediately when he took office in January 2025. Elections matter!

* The number of abortions, especially chemical abortions, seems to have increased in the four years since the June 24, 2022 *Dobbs* decision which overturned *Roe v. Wade*. Pro-lifers have much work to do! But researcher Michael J. New states that the birthrates in states which enacted pro-life laws in the last several years have risen, showing that tens of thousands of children are alive today who most likely would have been aborted if not for these pro-life laws. Currently, 13 states have mostly banned abortion, and seven others have gestational age limits that would have been struck down before *Dobbs*.

* This year marks 50 years since the federal Hyde Amendment was first enacted. This policy prevents federal funds from being used to directly pay for abortions (with few exceptions) and is credited with saving an estimated 2.6 million lives!

To keep up with the MANY developments in the pro-life movement, check out these websites for daily updates on the life issues!

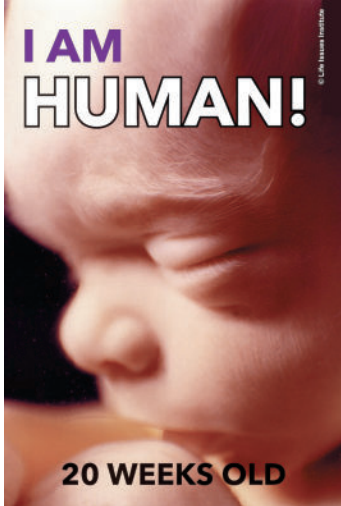
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Read our History in Sunday Updates!

We are telling the history of our 45 years of ministry in our Sunday Update emails, one each month during 2026. So far we've covered the ministry's history as it relates to sidewalk counseling, our annual Good Friday Vigil and Jericho March, the rescue (sit-in) movement, legal and legislative battles, and educational efforts.

If you've already given us your email address but are not seeing our amazing Sunday Update messages, please look in your "Junk" or "Spam" folder and allow these emails. To sign up for our Sunday Update emails, go to www.plam.org/newsletter. Once you sign up, you will also have access to the archives of previous Sunday Updates.

You don't want to miss these very informative, educational, yet brief, weekly Updates which include timely material that we do not have space to cover in this bi-monthly newsletter.

Calendar of Events

Twin Cities

September 12— National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

10:00 - 11:00 a.m., Resurrection Cemetery, Mendota Heights, Minn.

October 5 — Annual Life Banquet with Dr. George Delgado (Twin Cities readers: see insert)

Weekly — "Living the Gospel of Life" show with Brian Gibson and Angela Erickson

Relevant Radio, 1330 AM, Twin Cities, 12:30 p.m., Saturday, or listen online anytime at: www.plam.org/radio-show-archives

Central Florida

Monthly — "Jesus Loves the Little Children" Day Call (407) 230-2557 for details.

Parents, bring your children to make signs, do LIFE sidewalk chalk art, pray, sing and try to save little babies!

Duluth

August 1 — "Bike for Life" Fundraiser and Picnic

Meet at 10 a.m. for bikers to start on the Munger Trail. Noon picnic at Carlton Park Pavillion with a variety of foods and all the brats you can eat! Fellowship, music, and a pro-life rally! Please come even if you don't bike. For more information and registration: prolife4duluth@gmail.com.

October 9 — Banquet with speaker Abby Johnson — "Bold as A Lion" (Proverbs 28:1)

Greysolon Ballroom, Duluth, 5:30 p.m. \$70.00/Person www.prolife4duluth.com/events.html



"I've witnessed firsthand the injustice of abortion. And I've seen how abortion touches so many other issues that affect the dignity of the human person. The fight for human dignity is all interconnected." Abby travels across the globe sharing her story of being a former PP director, educating the public on pro-life issues, advocating for the unborn, and reaching out to abortion clinic staff who still work in the industry. She is the founder of And Then There Were None, a ministry designed to assist abortion clinic workers in transitioning out of the industry. Since 2012, this ministry has helped over 740 workers leave the abortion industry.

(See page 2 for contact information to obtain details about any of these events and other ongoing daily and weekly activities. See also "Regular Prayer Times" on page 7.