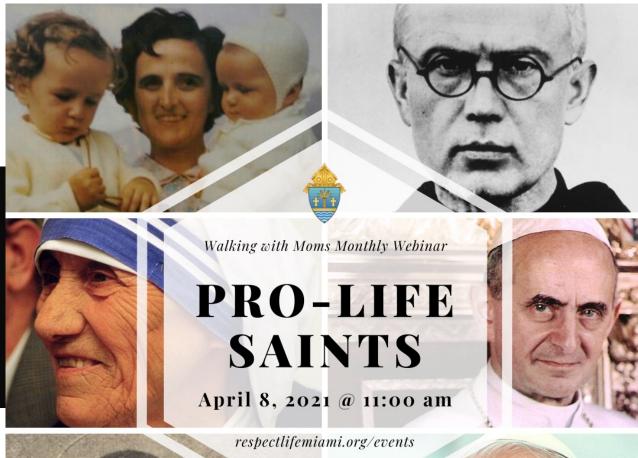


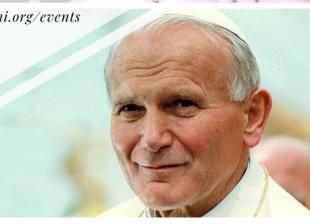
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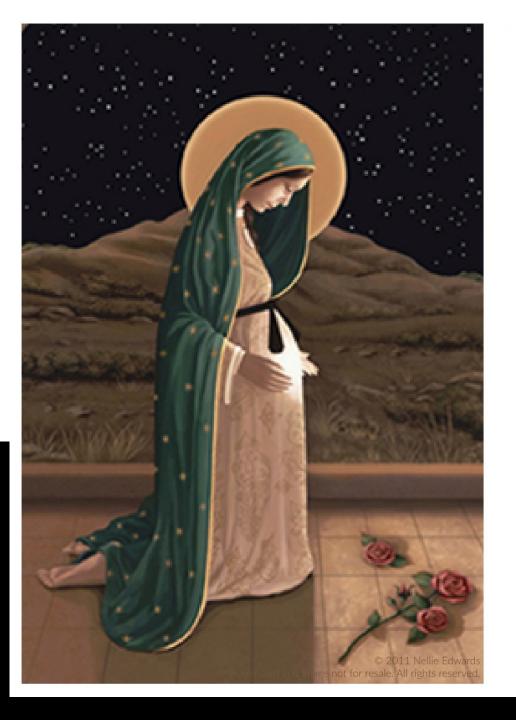
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#### A PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

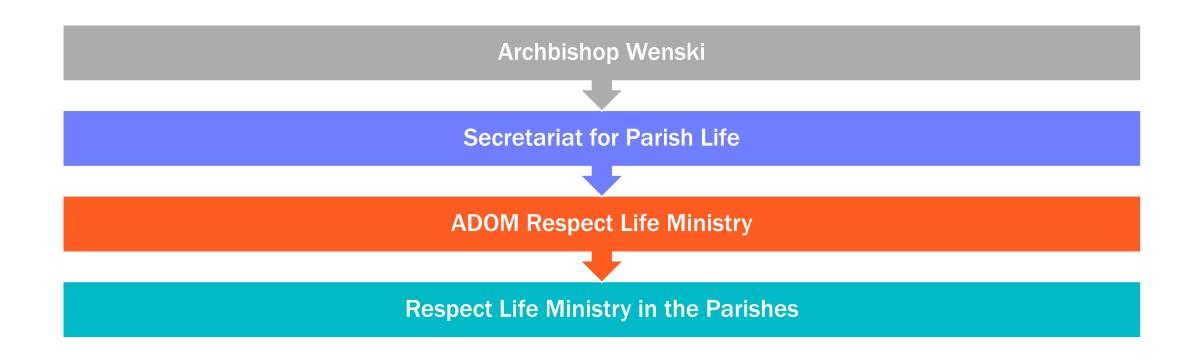
Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.\* Amen.



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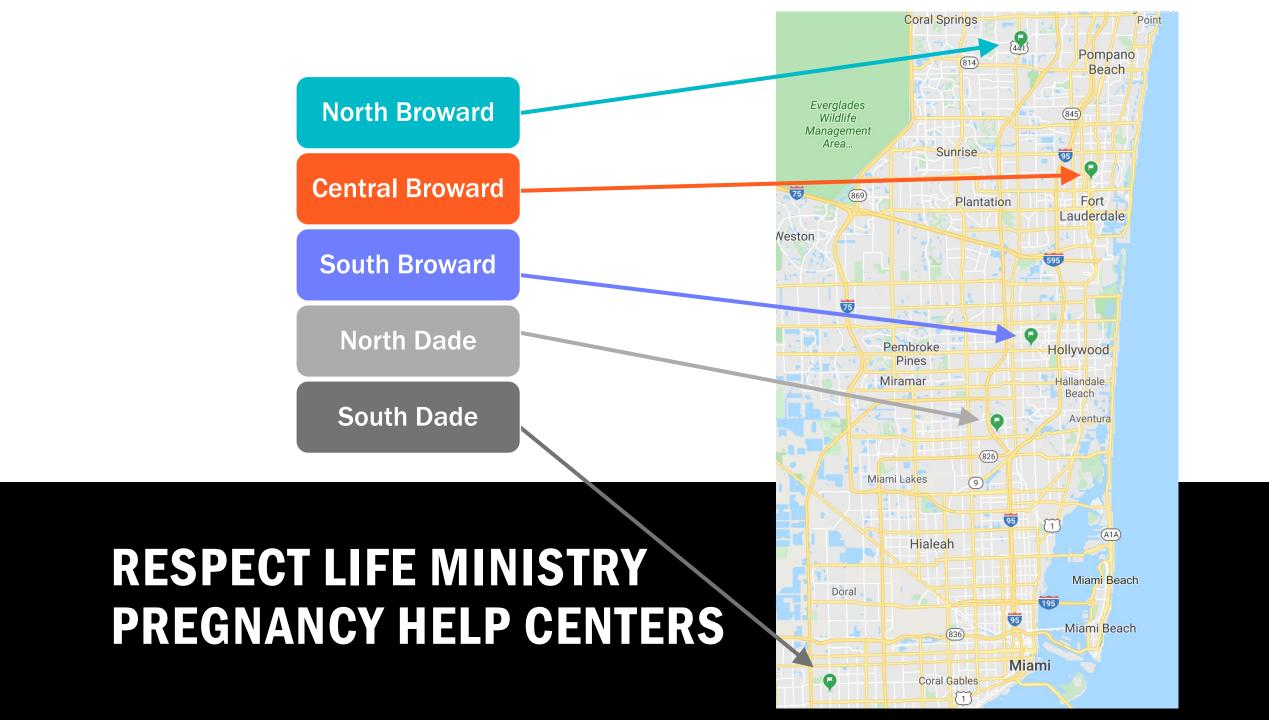
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## ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



## AREAS OF FOCUS





## HOURS & ADDRESSES

#### NORTH BROWARD PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

- 5115 Coconut Creek Pkwy Margate, FL 33063
- Phone: (954) 977-7769
- HOURS: Monday- Friday 9am- 1pm

#### CENTRAL BROWARD PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

- 525 NE 13th St. Ft Lauderdale, FL 33304 | Phone: (954) 565-0229
- NEW HOURS (began March 22, 2021):
- Mon- Closed
- Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat 9:00 am 3:00 pm
- Wed 11:00 am 7:00 pm

#### **SOUTH BROWARD PREGNANCY HELP CENTER**

- 4747 Hollywood Blvd. Ste. 101 Hollywood, FL 33021
- Phone: (954) 963-2229
- HOURS: Monday- Saturday 9:30am- 1:30pm

#### NORTH DADE PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

- 1515 N.W. 167th Street Bldg 4, Ste 190 Miami Gardens, FL 33169
- Phone: (786) 452-0266
- HOURS: Tuesday-Friday 9:30am-1:30pm

#### SOUTH DADE PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

- 3410 SW 107 Ave. Miami, FL 33165 | Phone: (305) 273-8507
- NEW HOURS (began March 22, 2021):
- Mon- Closed
- Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat 9:00 am 3:00 pm
- Thurs 12:00 pm 8:00 pm

## FREE & CONFIDENTIAL PREGNANCY HELP CENTER SERVICES



PREGNANCY & POSTPARTUM COUNSELING



PREGNANCY TESTING



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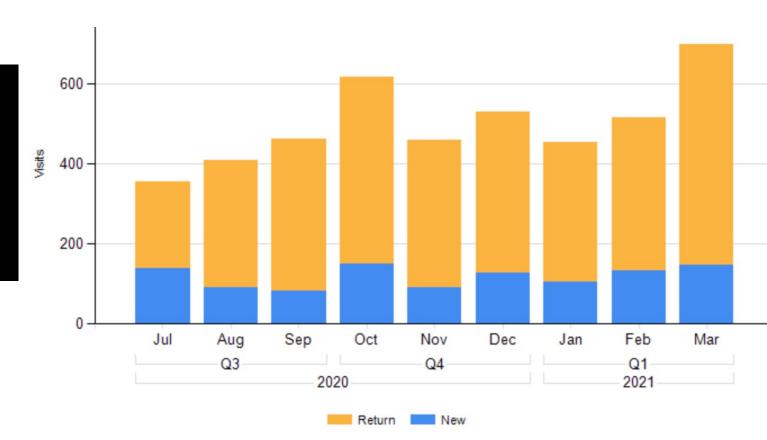
PROJECT RACHEL POST-ABORTION HEALING



#### **CLIENT VISITS**

We had 700 visits from abortionvulnerable families last month.





	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Locations	354	407	462	616	458	529	454	515	700	4,495
South Broward	152	171	209	297	233	242	252	300	425	2,281
Central Broward	122	142	150	175	127	143	78	70	88	1,095
North Dade	50	56	60	64	49	67	62	71	76	555
South Dade	15	26	34	59	35	47	35	51	76	378
North Broward	15	12	9	21	14	30	27	23	35	186

### PHC SERVICE STATISTICS

Service	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Appointments	2	1	<u>106</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>490</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>466</u>	<u>576</u>	<u>2,841</u>
Classes/Groups	207	<u>229</u>	<u>263</u>	317	<u>255</u>	<u>256</u>	222	<u>253</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>2,377</u>
Closets/Boutiques	<u>73</u>	94	<u>107</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>183</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>1,230</u>
Correspondence	<u>50</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>204</u>	880
Referrals	<u>41</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>117</u>	<u>656</u>
Pregnancy Tests	<u>34</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>596</u>
Sonograms	0	<u>0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>140</u>
Total	<u>409</u>	444	<u>638</u>	<u>1,179</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>1,199</u>	<u>1,049</u>	<u>1,239</u>	<u>1,603</u>	<u>8,735</u>

We minister to our brothers & sisters in need by providing over 1,600 life-affirming services per month including:

- 576 counseling sessions
- 105 pregnancy tests
- 31 ultrasounds

# THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the **culture of life** today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses.

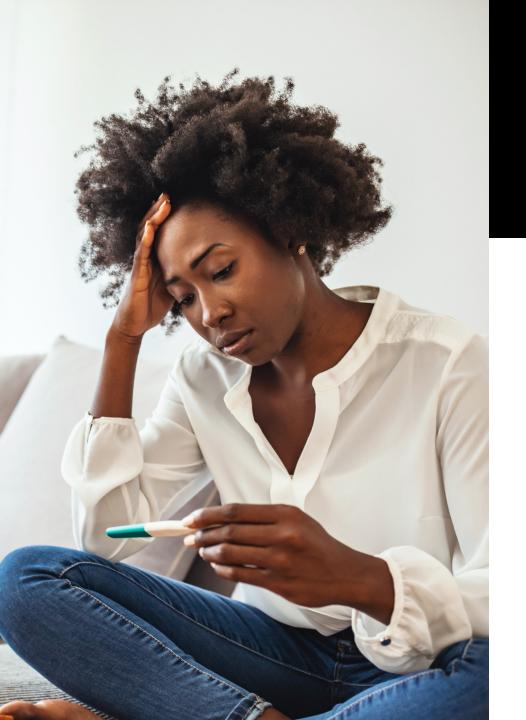
With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth.

(Saint John Paul II, EV 95)



### THE NEED

- There were 74,865 abortions reported in Florida in 2020, and 71,914 abortions reported in Florida in 2019.
- This represents over a 4% increase from 2019 and marks the third year in a row that Florida abortions have increased after a decade of decline.



### FLORIDA PREGNANCIES

- FL has the highest rate of "unwanted" pregnancies.
- Nearly half (48%) of all pregnancies in the state of Florida are considered "unwanted" or "wanted later."
- Nearly half (43%) of those tragically end in abortion.

#### FLORIDA DEMOGRAPHICS

#### AGE:

55% → 20s

 $1/3 \rightarrow 30s$ 

7% → under 20

#### **MARITAL STATUS:**

73% → unmarried

 $14\% \rightarrow \text{married}$ 

13 %→ unknown

#### **ABORTION HISTORY:**

58%→ no previous abortions

24% → one previous abortion

18%  $\rightarrow$  2+ prior abortions

#### **BIRTH HISTORY:**

38%→ no previous live births

25%→ one prior live birth

 $37\% \rightarrow 2+$  live births

### The majority of abortions in FL are performed on:

- single mothers
- in their 20s
- with other living children.

THEY NEED OUR SUPPORT!

Reason	Total	1st Trimester	2nd Trimester	3rd Trimester
Elective Abortion	56076	53505	2571	0
Abortion Performed due to Social or Economic Reasons	15271	14310	961	0
Abortion Performed due to Emotional/Psychological Health of the Mother	1409	1282	127	0
Abortion Performed due to Physical Health of Mother that is not Life Endangering	1110	1013	97	0
Abortion Performed due to a Life Endangering Physical Condition	146	121	25	0
Abortion Performed due to Serious Fetal Genetic Defect, Deformity or Abnormality	732	265	467	0
Abortion Performed due to Incest	9	6	3	0
Abortion Performed due to Rape	112	92	20	0
Florida Totals:	74865	70594	4271	0

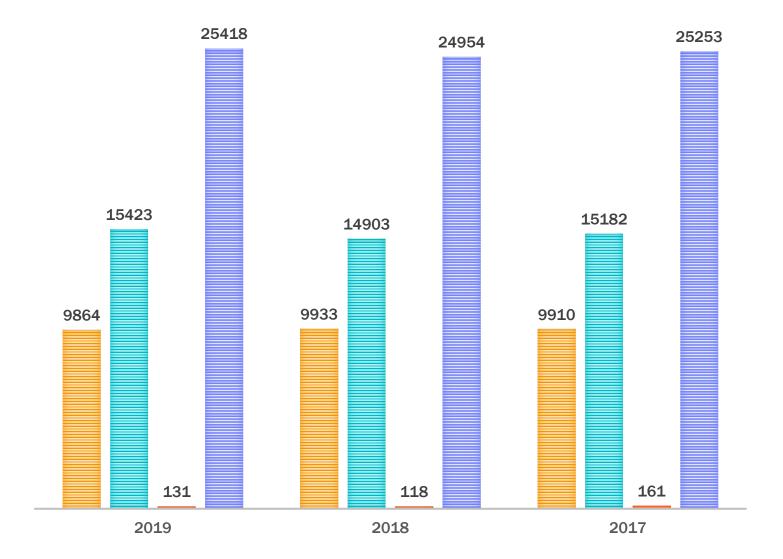
## REASONS FOR ABORTING

- $75\% \rightarrow \text{elective}$
- 20% → for social or economic reasons
- 1.8% → mother's emotional/psychological health
- 1.3% → mother's physical health
- Approx. 1% → baby had an abnormality

## ABORTION IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

#### REPORTED INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY CASES BY PATIENT COUNTY





"...Our parishes are called to be *islands of mercy* in the midst of a sea of indifference."

- Pope Francis



#### THE RESPONSE: WALKING WITH MOMS

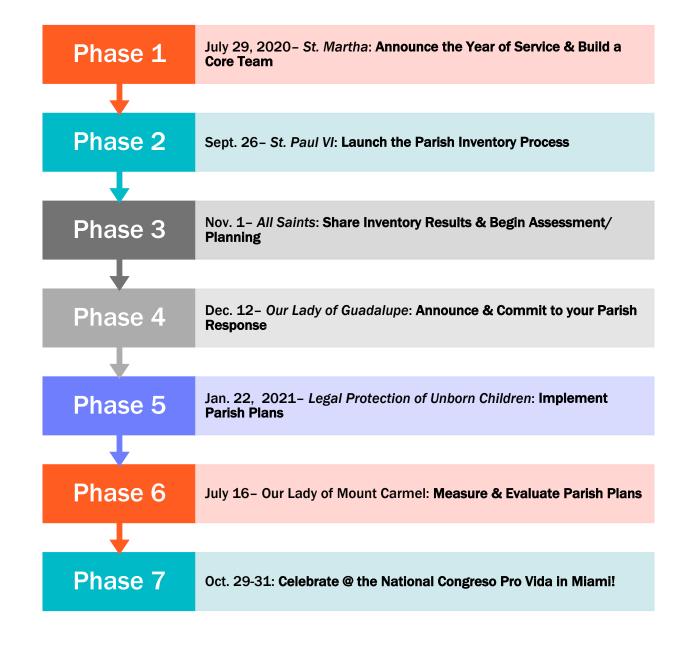


Archbishop Wenski has invited all parishes to participate from July, 2020 to October, 2021.

Visit <u>respectlifemiami.org/walking-with-moms</u> to learn more.



# PARISH ACTION TIMELINE





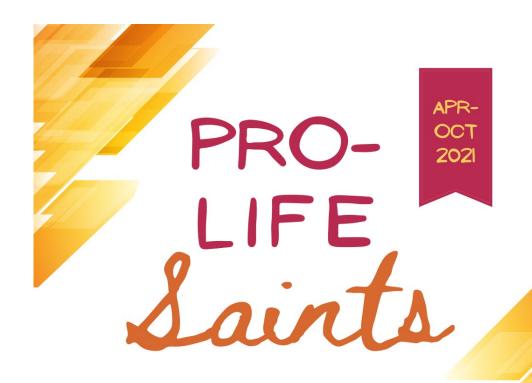
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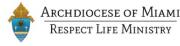
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### FEAST DAYS:

- 1. St. Gianna- April 28
- 2. Pope Paul VI- May 29
- 3. Fr. McGivney- August 13
- 4. Maximilian Kolbe- Aug 14
- 5. Mother Teresa- Sept 5
- 6. Gerard Majella- Oct 16
- 7. John Paul II- Oct 22



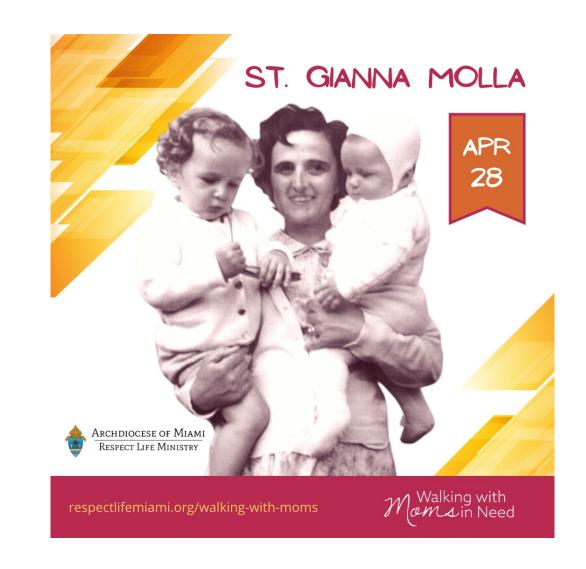


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## ST. GIANNA MOLLA

- Feast Day: April 28
- Patron: of mothers, physicians, and unborn children
- Birth: October 4, 1922
- Death: April 28, 1962
- Beatified: April 24, 1994 by Pope John Paul II
- Canonized: May 16, 2004 by Pope John Paul II



#### A MODERN MOTHER'S HEROISM

- St. Gianna was a physician who was advised to terminate her third child. She freely chose, with great generosity on her part, to proceed with a higher risk pregnancy for the benefit of her child.
- Saint Gianna provides an example of heroic commitment to the life of her own child.
   She believed that the privilege of being a mother, of being a cooperator with God in bringing forth new life meant always defending and protecting her children, whether in or out of the womb, even to the point of giving up her own life on their behalf.
- Gianna was a sister to many expecting mothers... She didn't leave them alone, with their doubts, anxieties, difficulties and temptations. She placed herself near them to welcome new life into the world.

#### POPE PAUL VI

Feast Day: May 29

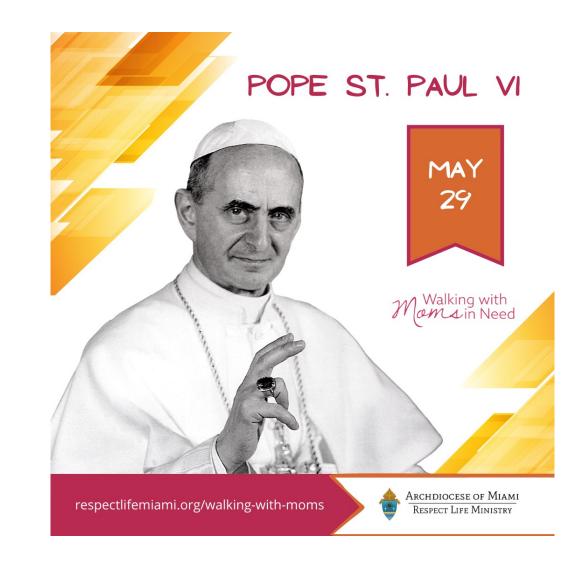
Birth: September 26, 1897

Death: August 6, 1978

Beatified: by Pope Francis,

October 19, 2014

Canonized: by Pope Francis, October 14, 2018



#### HUMANAE VITAE AS PROPHETIC:

- 1. Artificial methods of birth control opens the way of lowering of moral standards for the young as well as leads to marital infidelity.
- 2. The use of contraception will lead to the lowering of respect for women; husbands will regard their wives as mere instruments to serve their own desires.
- 3. The use of artificial methods of contraception, Pope Paul VI warned, will be a dangerous tool in the hands of government or public authorities who care little about the moral law, and who may force the use of contraceptives on everyone.

#### FR. MCGIVNEY

Feast Day: August 13

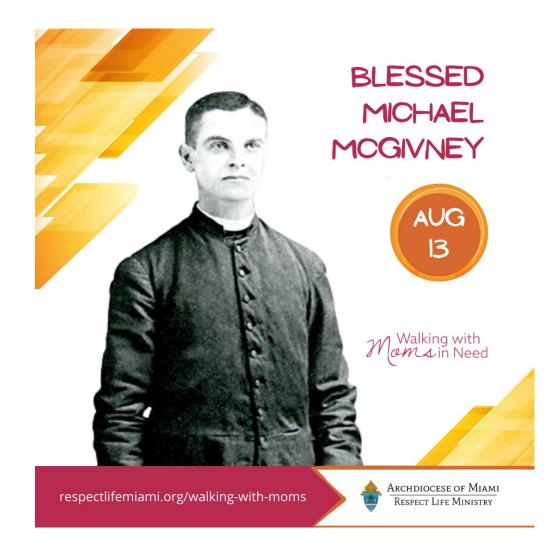
• Birth: August 12, 1852

Death: August 14, 1890

Beatified: October 31, 2020

Founder of the Knights of Columbus: "instituted for the welfare of Catholic families, [...] when death takes the support of the family away, the Knights of Columbus comes to the relief of the widow and the orphan in a very substantial manner." — Fr. GcGivney

• 3<sup>rd</sup> priest born in the United States to be beatified, and the 1<sup>st</sup> who spent his whole priestly ministry in a US parish.



"Zeal for the proclamation of the Gospel & generous concern for the needs of his brothers and sisters made him an outstanding witness of Christian solidarity and fraternal assistance."

### Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:

The Father McGivney Guild
1 Columbus Plaza

New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA
www.fathermcgivney.org

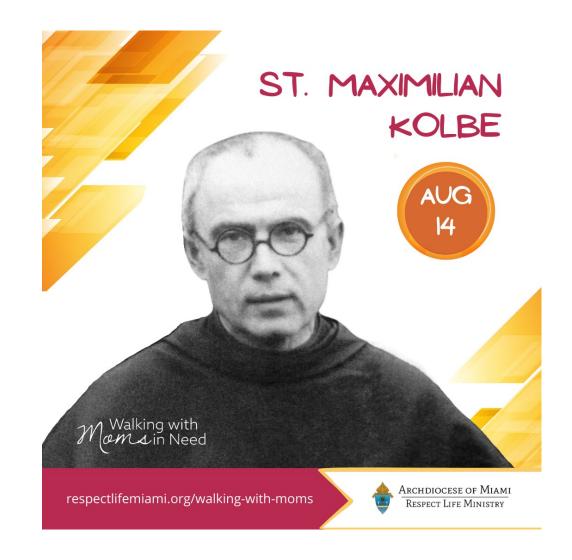


#### **Pro-Life Miracle leading to Beatification:**

Mikey Schachle, who was given a pre-natal diagnosis of severe fetal hydrops and not expected to live, was cured and has life was saved thanks to the intercession of Fr. McGivney.

## ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

- Feastday: August 14
- Patron: of drug addicts, prisoners, families, and the pro-life movement
- Birth: January 8, 1894
- Death: August 14, 1941
- Beatified: By Pope Paul VI, Oct. 17, 1971
- Canonized: By Pope John Paul II, Oct. 10, 1982

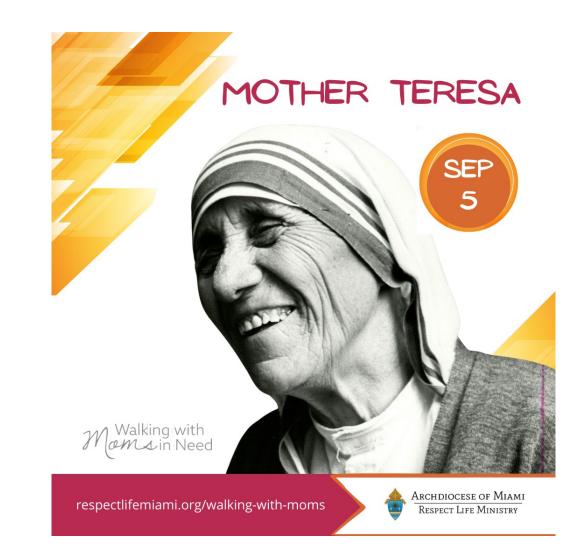


#### SACRIFICIAL LOVE

- "Greater Love has no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13).
- He was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar and a martyr in the German death Camp of Auschwitz during World War II.

## MOTHER TERESA

- Feastday: September 5
- Patron: of World Youth Day, Missionaries of Charity and a copatron of the Archdiocese of Calcutta
- Birth: August 26, 1910
- Death: September 5, 1997
- Beatified: by Pope John Paul II, Oct. 19, 2003
- Canonized: by Pope Francis, Sept. 4, 2016

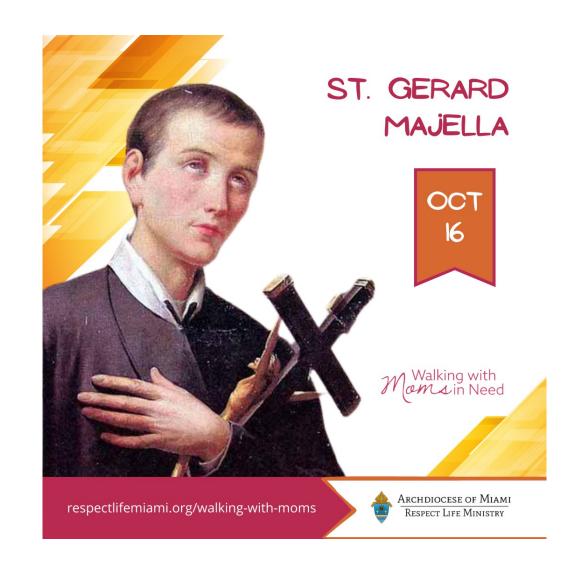


## PRO-LIFE QUOTES

- "America needs no words from me to see how your decision in Roe vs. Wade has deformed a great nation. The so-called right to abortion has pitted mothers against their children and women against men. It has sown violence and discord at the heart of the most intimate human relationships. It has aggravated the derogation of the father's role in an increasingly fatherless society. It has portrayed the greatest of gifts—a child—as a competitor, an intrusion and an inconvenience."
- "Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three-quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers."
- "It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish."
- "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. That is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion."
- "If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

## GERARD MAJELLA

- Feastday: October 16
- Patron: of expectant mothers
- Birth: April 6, 1726
- Death: October 16, 1755
- Beatified: January 29, 1893, by Pope Leo XIII
- Canonized: December 11, 1904, by Pope Saint Pius X



#### PATRON OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

A Redemptoris brother, he became known for his extraordinary supernatural gifts of bilocation, prophecy, ecstasies, visions, and infused knowledge.

Just prior to his death, St. Gerard visited his friends, the Pirofalo family. One of the daughters ran and called after him as he left the home, as he dropped his handkerchief. Speaking through the gift of prophecy, he replied, "Keep it. It will be useful to you someday." Years down the road, when this young women was in danger of childbirth, she recalled these words of St. Gerard, and requested the handkerchief. The handkerchief was applied to her, thus a miracle: her pain immediately ceased and she gave birth to a healthy child.

## POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

Feastday: October 22

Patron: of World Youth Day (Co-

Patron)

Birth: May 18, 1920

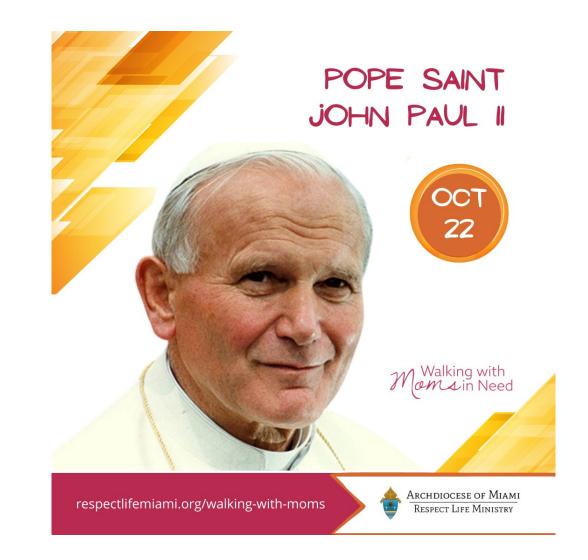
Death: April 2, 2005

Beatified: May 1, 2011 by Pope

**Benedict XVI** 

Canonized: April 27, 2014 by Pope

**Francis** 



### KEY PRO-LIFE DOCUMENTS

One of the central themes of his pontificate was to protect and promote respect for human life from conception to natural death. He especially defended the unborn as abortion rates increased rapidly across the globe.

He became a champion for the pro-life cause with his many exhortations and papal encyclicals which admonished the world and educated all people regarding the sanctity of all human life:

- "Theology of the Body" Wednesday Audiences, (1979-1984)
- Evangelium Vitae, The Gospel of Life, (1995)

If you want equal justice for all, and true freedom and lasting peace, then, America, defend life!

## TAKE-AWAYS





**PRAY** 

**STAY ENGAGED** 



**TAKE ACTION** 



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