

Helpers of God's Precious Infants

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Greetings to all Helpers of God's Precious Infants Throughout the World,

First, we would like to thank everyone who either attended in person or sent us Mass cards and other expressions of sympathy after the death of Msgr. Reilly, our founder and Executive Director. We greatly appreciate all these tributes and condolences. We knew that Msgr. had a great influence on many lives, but we did not know how many. People came from all over the world to be at his funeral, and we were very touched. If anyone is interested, Craig and Wenqi Glantz, Helpers from the Philadelphia area, have set up a website, prolifehero.com, which contains tributes to Msgr. Reilly from Helpers and others from all over the world. Msgr. was influencing others even until the time of his death. We recently met a young woman who came across a copy of "A Dance in the Rain", a book written by Helpers Margaret Driscoll and Emily Faugno some years ago documenting their experiences sidewalk counselling. Soon after she met with pray-ers and sidewalk counselors at All Women's Medical Pavilion in Kew Gardens, New York and brought her 11 month old baby with her. One Saturday, not long after she began praying with us, a couple considering abortion saw her with her baby and turned around and left All Women's. She requested training in sidewalk counselling, and we were happy to send her two of Msgr. Reilly's talks from some years ago, one on the culture of life and another on sidewalk counselling. Msgr. also blessed a rosary for her. She was very happy to receive these items, and although she has moved from the Queens area to another part of New York State she has continued her efforts at sidewalk counselling. Being confined to a nursing home did not stop Msgr. from helping this young woman. We have a limited number of copies of DVDs of two talks Msgr. gave in the late 1990s and DVDs of Msgr.'s appearance on "Sunday Night Prime" with Fr. Benedict Groshel which we would be happy to send to anyone who requests them. We would especially recommend his talk on sidewalk counselling for anyone who may be new to the Helpers or who may need a refresher.

Miracle in Manhattan

In 2008, Fr. Fidelis Moschinski, a priest of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, and a long-time friend of Msgr. Reilly's, asked him to lead a prayer vigil from Old Patrick's Cathedral in lower Manhattan to the Planned Parenthood located in Magaret Sanger Square. Msgr. was happy to comply. Fr. Moschinski continued these prayer vigils every first Saturday of the month ever since, including inviting Msgr. Reilly back for the 10th anniversary in 2018. Last month Planned Parenthood announced that it would be closing this facility and selling the building. This was the flagship operation of Planned Parenthood, opening as a state-of-the-art facility in the early 1990s. Thousands of children were killed there, and many, many women were injured there. Despite receiving millions of dollars in both federal and New York State aid, Planned Parenthood could not make ends meet at this location. This shows us the importance of persistence in prayer and sidewalk counselling. We have often joined the pray-ers at this facility, and noted the antics of Planned Parenthood's most ardent supporters. For the last several years a group "pro-choice" activists have tried to block pro-lifers from even walking to the location. It would take us 45

minutes to walk the three blocks from Old St. Patrick's to the facility, even with police escort. After several months of this, when the police finally started to move the activists out of our way, the abortion supporters organized a band which played so loud that it was difficult for us to hear the prayer leaders, although they had walkie-talkies. Other activists would stand in front of us with umbrellas wide open so that anyone entering the building would not see us. We wonder what they will be doing on their Saturday mornings now. Planned Parenthood has received support from the federal, state and city governments, and also has the support of nearly all of the mainstream media in New York City. To reference the Frank Sinatra song, if Planned Parenthood can't make it New York, New York can it make it anywhere? We cannot be certain, but this might be the first miracle of Msgr. Reilly since his entrance into eternity.

More Woes for Planned Parenthood

We read with great interest a recent article on Planned Parenthood in of all places, the New York Times. The Times has been a very consistent supporter of abortion and Planned Parenthood since the 1970s. They have often refused to print letters to the editor from pro-lifers and ignored or dismissed complaints about Planned Parenthood. However, this recent article detailed several problems with Planned Parenthood facilities ranging from low morale to lack of supplies to shoddy workplaces. The article claimed that most of the money Planned Parenthood takes in whether from government subsidies or from payments from clients goes to pay the salaries of its top echelon, to buy media access, and to donate to pro-choice politicians. Alexis McGill Johnson, Planned Parenthood's CEO is paid close to a million dollars a year to promote Planned Parenthood's "mission" which is the killing of unborn children. Planned Parenthood is the nation's premier abortion provider, with over 300,000 babies destroyed last year alone. Several other Planned Parenthood executives receive six figure salaries. Planned Parenthood has donated millions of dollars to friendly politicians and regularly buys media access to again to promote their "mission". Very little of this money filters down to the local facilities, which is why Planned Parenthood has closed several locations and is having difficulties in those remaining. Even the monies generated from the selling of aborted baby parts to researchers, which Planned Parenthood has been engaged in for quite some time has not alleviated this problem. We as Helpers need to stay strong in our prayer and witness so that we can bring the light of God to these places of darkness. Since Msgr. Reilly and 4 others founded the Helpers of God's Precious Infants in 1989 over 25 abortion businesses have closed in the New York City area.

What Can the Helpers Do?

Despite the troubles that Planned Parenthood is having, there are still far too many abortion businesses in the United States and now the federal government is allowing retail pharmacies such as CVS and Walgreens to become abortion providers by dispensing the abortion pill to anyone with a prescription. With the easy availability of abortion throughout the land, even though there are restrictions in 22 states, it is imperative for the Helpers to never become discouraged. Msgr. Reilly has shown us the way. His keen insight was that before a physical abortion can take place, a spiritual abortion must occur. The woman, (or her partner, or her parents, abortion is very often coerced) must spiritually abandon her child in order for her to physically expel the child from her

body. This is where the Helpers should be prepared to encounter her. Our primary purpose should not be to save the child. We should be at the killing center to bring Jesus Christ to the mother. If she accepts our offer of help, she will not kill her child. If she does not accept our offer, we should still meet her after the abortion to offer spiritual help. Her first thought after the abortion is often "Great. My womb is empty". Soon after the feeling of relief, however, she thinks "My God. My womb is empty." She now realizes what she has done. We Helpers need to be there for her and help her to overcome this very painful (both physical and spiritual) experience. Here we can offer spiritual help with post-abortion healing such as Rachel's Helpers. Tragically, with the popularity of the abortion pill regimen, we may never get a chance to encounter the young women taking these pills. With these pills so widely available, our chances of talking with these women may be few and far between. However, if we do encounter such women, we should be ready to offer help spiritually and physically, and in some cases, we can inform them of the availability of the abortion pill reversal process.

The Possibilities are Endless

Last year we attended a gala for the Life Center of Long Island, a local pregnancy help center. While there we met a young woman and her newborn son. This lady had originally been pressured to abort this child, but the facility she went to that day told her she was too far along for them to be able to abort the child. Unsure of what to do, she contacted Don Magnotta, a Helper and sidewalk counselor. Don sprang into action, setting her up with temporary housing with the Missionaries of Charity in Brooklyn, New York and setting up transportation for her appointments for her drug rehabilitation. This woman was not only addicted to drugs but was also living with her mother who was pressuring her to kill her child. A few months later she gave birth to a beautiful son and Don was able to find permanent housing for her, her son, and her mother. She will soon complete her drug rehabilitation and is looking forward to finding employment which Don is helping her to find. She is extremely happy with her decision for life and loves her son with the love only a mother can give. Pro-lifers are often accused of caring only for the unborn child. Nothing could be further from the truth. The possibilities are endless when the decision is made for life.

Schedule of Vigil Masses from April 2025 to December 2025

April 12, 2025	Saint Charles Borromeo	Planned Parenthood
8:00 AM Mass	31 Sidney Place, Brooklyn	44 Court Street, Brooklyn
May 31, 2025	Our Lady of Sorrows	Women's Health Care
8:00 AM Mass	104-11 37 th Avenue, Queens	8922 Roosevelt Ave, Queens
June 28, 2025	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Choices
7:30 AM Mass	88-19 Parsons Boulevard, Queens	147-32 Jamaica Avenue
July 2025	No Vigil	
August 30, 2025	Our Lady of Sorrows	Women's Health Care
8:00 AM Mass	104-11 37 th Avenue, Queens	8922 Roosevelt Ave, Queens
September 20, 2025	St. Joan of Arc	Women's Care
7:30 AM Mass	Jackson Heights, Queens	

October 25, 2025	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Choices
7:30 AM Mass	88-19 Parsons Boulevard, Queens	147-32 Jamaica Avenue
November 29, 2025	Our Lady of Sorrows	Women's Health Care
8:00 AM Mass	104-11 37 th Avenue, Queens	8922 Roosevelt Ave, Queens
December 13, 2025	Saint Charles Borromeo	Planned Parenthood
8:00 AM Mass	31 Sidney Place, Brooklyn	44 Court Street, Brooklyn

News and Notes

40 Days for Life is continuing its spring campaign as we write, with campaigns in over 600 cities throughout the world. 40 Days for Life has saved over 25,000 babies since their inception in 2007. The organization has expanded the number of cities which are conducting year-round vigils. We recently heard from Fr. Peter Hesse, founder of the Helpers in Ghana, Africa. Father told us he is now operating a life center and a training facility where young women can learn a skill or trade to help them after their children are delivered. We also heard from Margaret Driscoll, whom we mentioned earlier in this newsletter. She told us that many of tumors in her body have died. She and her many friends have been praying for healing and attributes this remarkable result to the intersession of the soon-to-be canonized Carlo Acutis. She was recently interviewed by the Brooklyn Diocesan TV channel, NET TV. She was also featured in an article in the Brooklyn Diocesan newspaper, The Tablet. We would also like to ask for continued prayers for Margaret. We learned with sadness of the passing of Dan Goodnow of Michigan, a Helper of many years who often invited Msgr. Reilly to speak at his pro-life events over the years. Dan established the Helpers of God's Precious Infants in Michigan in 2001 and was a constant presence on the sidewalks near abortion facilities near his home for over 30 years. There are many, many Michiganders alive today who otherwise would not be due to Dan's efforts. We also learned at the time of the passing of Msgr. Reilly that both Dr. David Aachen, and his Wife Dr. Monica Aachen had died. They were both doctors in China and were imprisoned and tortured for 10 years for their faith before escaping in the early 1990s. They somehow landed in New York and saw a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary that was located outside of Cathedral Prep where Msgr. was the rector/principal. They knocked on his door and Msgr. answered and welcomed them in. From that moment on they were a part of the Helpers. They were often at the large prayer vigils and took part in Helper's celebrations held at the Monastery of the Precious Blood. Dr. David designed the Helpers logo. Please pray for the repose of the souls of these good people. We would also like to ask for prayers for John Foley, Mary Duran, Kathleen O'Connell Murphy and Emily Faugno, long-time Helpers who are battling age and illness. In closing we would like to wish you many blessings this Easter season.

> Yours for Life, Susan & Kevin Moore