



# LIFESPAN news

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## Right to Life – LIFESPAN’s 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Baby Shower

Sunday, March 9, 2025\*

(\*unless different date noted)

to benefit local Pregnancy Help Centers

Baby showers will be held at the following locations.

More locations are **added almost daily!!!** Visit [miLIFESPAN.org](http://miLIFESPAN.org) for updates!

Watch for fliers from your local church listed below to find out what the Pregnancy Help Center needs.

For more information, call *Right to Life - LIFESPAN* at 734.524.0162

**Gift Drop-Off ONLY – After Church Services (unless noted otherwise)**

### In alphabetical order by City:

**St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church, Bloomfield Hills**  
2215 Opdyke

**St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Canton**  
44800 Warren Rd.

**St. Anselm Catholic Church, Dearborn Heights**  
17650 Outer Dr W

**St. Sabina Catholic Church, Dearborn Heights**  
25555 Ann Arbor Trail *\*Before Masses*

**St. Fabian Catholic Church, Farmington**  
32200 W. 12 Mile Rd. *\*March 8/9*

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, Lake Orion**  
715 N. Lapeer Road *\*June 7/8*

**Four Winds Church, Livonia**  
31840 W. Seven Mile Rd. *\*Mar 2nd & 9th from 8:30a - 12:30 p*

**St. Edith Catholic Church, Livonia**  
15089 Newburgh Rd.

**St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia**  
17600 Newburgh Rd.

**St. Genevieve-St. Maurice Women’s Sodality, Livonia**  
29015 Jamison St.

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, Northville**  
707 Thayer *\*Lenten Collection*

**Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church, Orchard Lake Village**  
3750 Commerce Rd. *\*Lenten Collection*

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, Plymouth**  
47650 N. Territorial

**St. Damien of Molokai Church, Pontiac**  
120 Lewis Street

**Our Lady of Loretto Church, Redford**  
17116 Olympia *\*March 1/2 & March 8/9*

**St. Mary Catholic Church, Royal Oak**  
730 S. Lafayette Ave.

**St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Warren**  
26440 Ryan

*Choose a location near you, drop off some items and help our local moms and their babies. Sometimes, just knowing that there are resources available through local pregnancy help centers means the difference between aborting a baby and giving a baby LIFE!*

## From the President's Desk



Recently I personally experienced the changes in medicine that we in the pro-life movement have been fearing. Compassion is being replaced with hospital rules and regulations and hands on care of patients is being replaced by the computer. Recently a close family member was hospitalized through the ER of one of our major hospitals (twice in one month). Upon being assessed in the ER, and treatment being started, the doctor would, while explaining treatment, ask if my family member had an Advance Directive (they want it in writing). I was face-to-face with the realization that end-of-life care was no longer put in God's hands, with compassionate doctors and nurses overseeing care, but was now in the hands of corporate hospitals trying to comply with government/insurance companies rules and regulations.

Like many, I am sometimes a procrastinator. I never wrote out, on paper, my end-of-life directives. After this experience I realized if you are ever hospitalized, you have to have something in writing - giving verbal directives may be misinterpreted and is not what corporate hospitals require. I needed to reconcile this on a personal level. A close friend who has been a pro-life sister since 1970 shared her directive with me. It is strongly pro-life, and it is just what I needed. I

created one for myself and I asked her if I could share hers with all of you. This is not intended to be copied and used by you but it offers some ideas that you might want to incorporate with your own Advance Directive. If you don't have one yet, maybe it is time to have that difficult discussion with your family to be sure that your desires are met. An Advanced Directive does not need to be fancy with legal/medical terms—just what you want. Your physician should have a copy and so should your attorney and your family members. There are preprinted documents available from various organizations that some folks use, but very few real human persons fit into those pre-printed boxes. Be sure of what you want, what various terms mean and then make it your own. Please see page 10. Use this letter and add or subtract as you see fit for own needs.

May God give us all the courage to continue our PROLIFE

## Donations have been made -

### *In Memory of:*

***Raymond Norman Faitel***

Given by: Tony & Chris Hansen

***Marge Flanigan***

Given by: Jerry & Diane Fagelman

Diane Trombley



## Trump and Vance declare at March for Life: 'We stand with you'

*By Michael Foust*

President Donald Trump and Vice President J.D. Vance reassured pro-life supporters on Friday that their administration will again stand with the pro-life community as it seeks to build on the gains made during Trump's first term.

"In my second term, we will again stand proudly for families and for life," Trump told attendees at the national March for Life in a virtual address from the Oval Office."

Vance's remarks echoed those of Trump.

"I want to be clear that this administration stands by you," Vance said in his first public appearance since being sworn into office Monday. "We stand with you, and most importantly, we stand with the most vulnerable."

In his first term, Trump repeatedly sided with the pro-life cause, most notably with his nomination of three Supreme Court justices whose votes were critical in the 2022 *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision that overturned *Roe v. Wade*. Even so, some pro-life leaders grew concerned during the 2024 campaign with

remarks by Trump and Vance on such issues as the abortion pill and state-level pro-life measures.

On Friday, though, both Trump and Vance said their administration would defend the unborn.

"Each year," Trump said, "Americans of every age, color and background travel to our nation's capital by the tens of thousands to stand up for precious little babies who cannot stand up for themselves."

Trump offered a preview of his pro-life goals for a second term.

"We will protect the historic gains we have made and stop the radical Democrat push for a federal right of unlimited abortion on demand up to the moment of birth and even after birth," he said. "We will work to offer a loving hand to new mothers and young families, and we will support adoption and foster care. We will protect women and vulnerable children. Under my leadership, a reformed Department of Justice will finally investigate the radical left attacks on churches and crisis

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## LIGHTS FOR LIFE

*Continued from January 2025 LIFESPAN News*

**IN MEMORY OF:** Roberta Humphrey, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Kelly, given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Woodcox ♥ Deceased Members of the Johnson & Scicluna Families, given by Isabel A. Johnson ♥ Wilda & Samuel Yakish, Clement & Marie Schenk, given by Karen and Thomas Schenk ♥ Rosina Boccomino, Ann Boccomino, John Boccomino, Sam Boccomino, given by Ann Marie Pagano ♥ Unborn Lost to Abortion, Joan Barrett, Celeste Barrett Southard, given by Paul Barrett ♥ Helen Wolonsky, Thomas Hied, Judi Adam, Jean Hied, given by Diane Hied ♥ Marc Rinke (Adopted), given by Edward & Darlene Rinke ♥ Pat Holscher, Carmen Mosquera, given by Anne Marie Reiff ♥

**IN HONOR OF:** Mr. & Mrs. Rich Przybylowicz, Mary Cassar, given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Woodcox ♥ Craig Rinke (Adopted), given by Edward & Darlene Rinke ♥

**FRIENDS OF LIFE:** Michael Brennan ♥ Joseph Lang ♥ Maryann Aiton ♥ Lisa Koziol ♥ Cheryl Beatty ♥

### ***Kerr v Planned Parenthood***

Alliance Defending Freedom, is reporting that the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear *Kerr v. Planned Parenthood*, an important case about government funding and Planned Parenthood.

The firm is defending South Carolina's freedom to direct taxpayers' Medicaid funds away from Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers.

*"States should have the freedom to decide that taxpayers don't have to fund abortion facilities".* And no American should be made to feel like Planned Parenthood can simply override their state's pro-life laws and policies to force the state to provide it permanent access to taxpayer dollars.

# 2025 Silent Auction & Gift Card Tree: Items Needed

Every year at our Celebration of Life Dinner, we have a wonderful variety of items for the Silent Auction and Gift Card Tree. We are looking for items that will bring in large auction bids, such as:

Accommodations at tourist destinations • Golf Packages  
Restaurant Gift Cards (Red Lobster, Outback, etc.) • Family-Friendly places to visit  
Sporting Event Tickets • Specialty/Department Store Gift Cards

*Monetary donations will be put to good use; donate any amount and an auction item will be created in your name.*

**Please go to [miLIFESPAN.org/donate](https://miLIFESPAN.org/donate) to donate online or call the Main Office at 734-524-0162 for more information.**

*Have gift cards from Christmas? You can donate them to us for our auction!*

# LIFESPAN's Annual Celebration of Life Dinner

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

5:30 Auction · 7:00 Dinner

Keynote Speaker:

## Rachel Campos-Duffy



Co-host of Fox & Friends Weekend on Fox News as our speaker!

Outspoken Pro-Life Advocate · Mother of 9 Awesome Kids

Wife of the New Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy

**For more information:**

**Right to Life - LIFESPAN Oakland/Macomb Office**  
**248.816.1546 · oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org**

There is no charge for this event, but please remember that this dinner is our largest fundraiser of the year.

**2025 Fundraising Dinner Reservations:** Reservations due by **Friday, April 18, 2025.**

Yes, I (we) plan to attend this Fundraising Event. Number of seats: \_\_\_\_\_ Seat with: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I (we) plan to reserve a table of 10. Please list names of all those for whom table reservations are made on a separate sheet of paper. Table seating will be determined by date of receipt of reservation.

I (We) are not able to attend. Enclosed is a donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support your pro-life efforts.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail or Email this form to: Right to Life - LIFESPAN, 1637 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite G, Troy, MI 48084**  
**Call 248-816-1546 for more information.**

*\*When we receive your reservation, we will notify you. Where possible, full tables will be assigned in the order that they are received.*

*\*\*People with dietary restrictions must contact us by the deadline above - restrictions will NOT be accepted after this date. My restrictions include: \_\_\_\_\_*

*\*\*\*Photos/videos may be taken at this event and may be used on the web, in publications and/or other media. If you would prefer that your image not be included, please send email to [mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org).*



**BOWLING FOR LIFE 2025** **RTL-LIFESPAN**

When: Saturday, February 15th 2:30-5pm

Where: **WOODLAND LANES** BOWLING & LOUNGE  
33775 Plymouth Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

Enjoy two games of bowling, includes:  
bowling shoes, 2 slices of pizza and soft drink.  
Children 12 & under are FREE!  
There will be a 50/50 raffle, Cash Bar is available.

**BOWLERS SHOULD MAKE OR COLLECT PLEDGES EITHER PER PIN, PER STRIKE, OR PER GAME. MINIMUM OF PLEDGES COLLECTED IS \$30/BOWLER.**

**REGISTER TODAY!**  
**CALL 734.422.6230 OR EMAIL WCDR@RTL-LIFESPAN.ORG!**

## Bowling for Life

at Woodland Lanes  
Saturday, February 15, 2025 from 2:30 to 5:00 pm  
33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI 48150

### Bowler \_\_\_\_\_

Scores  
1st Game \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd Game \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \_\_\_\_\_

#### Sponsors

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Gain at least \$30 in pledges and bowl for free, and enjoy pizza and pop!

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pregnancy centers, and we will bring perpetrators to justice.”

The president also said he would “end the weaponization of law enforcement against Americans of faith.” On Thursday, he signed a pardon for 23 pro-life activists who had been prosecuted by the Biden administration.

Trump noted that he was “proud” to have been the first sitting president to address the March for Life in person during its 2020 gathering. He also reiterated his pride in contributing to the overturning of Roe.

“This annual march started 52 years ago on the first anniversary of the disastrous ruling known as *Roe v Wade*,” the president said. “That unconstitutional decision took power away from the states and the voters, kicking off 50 years of division and anger.”

“But thanks to your tireless work and devotion across five decades, that historic wrong was set right three years ago,” he said. “I was so proud to be a participant. Six courageous justices of the Supreme Court of the United States returned the issue to

the state legislatures and to the people where it belongs.”

“It became a vote of the people,” he added.

Trump concluded in his address by telling the pro-life crowd, “Your mission is just.”

Both Trump and Vance’s remarks met with enthusiasm from the crowd. Marchers chanted “J.D.” in anticipation of Vance taking the stage and as he exited.

“We march to protect the unborn,” Vance said in his comments. “We march to proclaim and live out the sacred truth that every single child is a miracle and a gift from God.”

The cultural battle for the unborn, Vance said, involves a fight to change hearts and minds. At the same time, he said, government policies must assist pregnant women.

“I want more babies in the United States of America,” said Vance. “I want more happy children in our country. And it is the task of our government to make it easier for young moms and dads to afford to have kids, to bring them into the world and to welcome them as the blessings that we know they are here at the March for Life.”

- *Pregnancy Help News, January 24, 2025*

### Important:

Both Sam’s Club & Kroger have removed the abortion pills from their online pharmacies, stating that they were included “because of an error on the part of a third party vendor.” Walgreen’s & CVS sell in some states and not in others. Amazon does!!

# LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb Counties

## Valentine's Day

Red hearts and roses are everywhere as we celebrate Valentine's Day. Florists, candy stores, greeting cards all sing the praises of love. There is much more to love than candy and cards. As Scripture says, "Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." This is what we in the pro-life movement mean when we say "Love Life."

## Reminder

If you look at the address bar on this copy of your newsletter, you will see a date. That date is the last time you renewed your membership with LIFESPAN. With your yearly renewal we can continue our current efforts to protect the babies and their moms and do even more. We have an opportunity to expand our outreach this year but can only do things for which we have the funds. If the date that appears is more than a year from today's date, please consider renewing. You may continue to receive this newsletter even past your due date because we want you to be as fully informed about pro-life issues as possible, but your help would be sincerely appreciated.

## Celebration of Life Dinner

Mark your calendar for **May 6th** so you won't forget our annual dinner and auction. **Rachel Campos-Duffy**, from Fox News, is our speaker. There is a full page (page 4) in this newsletter dedicated to reservations for this event. As usual, we are not charging for the dinner, but this is the largest fundraiser of the year for LIFESPAN. We are excited to have Rachel and hope you will come and bring friends. She has a great pro-life story to tell. So often we hear that a woman cannot have a successful career if she is a mom and therefore must be pro-choice. It is refreshing to hear from a woman who has a family, a career, a deep-rooted faith belief and is pro-life.



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## Membership Drives in 2025

LIFESPAN membership is also greying, as are most churches, organizations, and whole cities in Southeast Michigan. It is our aim to hold multiple membership drives throughout 2025. The idea is to have a speaker give a very brief introduction to LIFESPAN during church announcements and invite members of the congregation to stop and speak with LIFESPAN representatives in the parish center or vestibule after the service or liturgy. Please contact us with any interest from your community to activate Jesus' call to serve the least of our brothers and sisters as a LIFESPAN member protecting the preborn, elderly, trafficked, and marginalized.



## Shine Your Light: Lights for Life

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once wrote, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." We thank everyone who donated to **Lights for Life** this past Christmas season to drive out the darkness and for our dedicated crew who braved the elements to install and take down the Lights for Life Tree at Weingartz in Farmington. The photo of the installation and tear-down crew includes from L to R: Bob Salter, fearless tree captain Ed Rinke, Ray David, Randy Desrosiers, Andy Kostrzewa. James Kreger is not pictured.



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Wayne County



# Wee Care

February - a month filled with heart-shaped candy and heart-shaped cards and so many expressions of love. It also reminds us of a variety of hearts - the Heavy, the Racing, the Broken, the Giving and the Loving.

We speak with so many moms with heavy hearts. Some have been abused. Some have been abandoned. Some have no one to love them. We speak with many moms with racing hearts. They are terrified. How will they provide for their newborns? We speak with many moms with broken hearts. Some yearn for the baby they aborted. Some are facing giving their baby up for adoption.

We speak with many, many caring people with giving hearts. It is the people who give, who bring joy and love to those with heavy hearts. It is they who calm a racing heart when they give clothing, blankets, diapers and desperately needed supplies to a worried mom. It is they who give, who make it possible for us to be here for the broken hearted; to refer people to post abortion counseling and to caring adoption centers.

And finally, we speak with many moms with loving hearts. And it is because of YOU! Because of the supplies you give, the prayers you say

and the messages of love and hope they receive – many of our moms can experience a loving heart – unburdened by their fears, their anxieties and their hopelessness. They instead can feel the pure and incomparable love between a mother and her child. As one mother said, "I never knew how much love my heart could hold until my baby was placed in my arms."



Thank you for touching so many lives.  
Love, Karen

May your heart overflow with love and hugs on Valentine's Day ...and of course, chocolate!

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Phone: 734-524-0165

Office Hours: By appointment

Karen Patrosso, Director

All material and monetary donations to Wee Care are tax-deductible. Checks must be made payable to Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund.

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# YOUTH REPORT

Dear Students, Young Adults, Parents, School Teachers, Campus Ministers, Principals, Presidents, Administrators, Parish/Church Youth Groups and Leaders, DRE's, and other staff who work with young people,

At the time of this writing, we are getting ready to send 74 Marchers to Washington, DC on our Movement in Motion Bus Trip for the 3rd Post-Roe **March for Life!** Our Marchers include groups from Marian High School and Our Lady of the Lakes High School, and students/chaperones/adults from Regina Caeli Academy, Chesterton Academy, and parishes like Saints Cyril and Methodius, St. John Fisher Chapel, Immaculate Conception, St. Mary's (St. Clair), St. John Vianney, and St. Joseph (Lake Orion). You will hear from some of the Marchers and see some photos in our March Newsletter!

We would like to invite you to some of our upcoming events!

Here is the direct link for the 2025 **Be The Change** event:

<https://righttolifelifespan.regfox.com/2025-be-the-change>

There is information about Be the Change on the back cover of this newsletter.

In addition to that, we have the upcoming **Baby Showers** in March and our **Celebration of Life Dinner & Silent Auction** in May (see the front cover and page 4).

When the Youth Mailing was sent out for February, we shared the following video clips. You can look at them online.

Voyage of Life video from Charlotte Lozier Institute:

[https://youtu.be/4TQVwNjz\\_cY](https://youtu.be/4TQVwNjz_cY)

Choice42 produces another pro-life masterpiece, "So, You're Pregnant" - National Right to Life:

<https://nrlc.org/nrlnewstoday/2025/01/choice42-produces-another-pro-life-masterpiece-so-youre-pregnant-2/>

Please join us and invite your family and friends to any/all of our events!

Thank you! We appreciate you being a part of our 2025 Generation Truth Youth Outreach mission!

## Be the Change

**Lynn A. Gura**, Youth Director for LIFESPAN Ed Fund

248-816-1546, oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org

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# Right to Life - LIFESPAN's RESOURCE BOOK 2025

## Advertising Contract

This book will contain pro-life informational material that will be used throughout the year.  
Your ad represents support for LIFESPAN's educational efforts.  
Please fill out the Contact below and send it to us with your remittance included.

I wish to publish a \_\_\_\_\_ page ad  
for the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please run:**

\_\_\_\_\_ last year's ad  
\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed NEW ad  
\_\_\_\_\_ EMAILED ad

<p>Full Page (7 x 10) \$325</p> <p>Inside Front Cover - Color \$375</p> <p>Inside Back Cover - Color \$375</p> <p>Outside Back Cover - Color \$500</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td> <p>1/4 Page (3 1/2 x 5) \$130</p> </td> <td> <p>1/8 Page (3 1/2 x 2 1/2) \$80</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> <p>1/2 Page (5 x 7) \$180</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>1/4 Page (3 1/2 x 5) \$130</p>	<p>1/8 Page (3 1/2 x 2 1/2) \$80</p>	<p>1/2 Page (5 x 7) \$180</p>	
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**Deadline for submission is March 10, 2025.**

- Submit copy of your ad either as a hard copy, camera-ready ad or email ad to: [mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org).
- If you are not able to submit camera-ready work, we will help you with your ad, just contact us!
- Payment must accompany Contract.
- LIFESPAN reserves the right to refuse any advertisement that it deems unsuitable.

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Advertiser/Business \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Seller's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, please send me a copy of the 2025 LIFESPAN Resource Book.

Call the Main Office to use a Credit Card or mail checks payable to:  
*Right to Life - LIFESPAN Ed Fund*  
32540 Schoolcraft Road, Suite 100, Livonia, MI 48150-4305  
For further information, call: 734.524.0162 or email: [mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org)

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## Put your special photo in *LIFESPAN's* Resource Book



Purchase a special ad to recognize the accomplishments of someone special! It's a great way to acknowledge a graduate, retirement, anniversary, 1st Communicant, scout troop, special teacher, etc.! Purchase a 1/8-page ad to feature your children, grandchildren or other special someone in *Right to Life - LIFESPAN's* Resource Book 2025. Photo Ads are tax-deductible! Fill out the form for photo ads below and send \$50 with a non-professional photo, along with the names of those pictured, or other desired caption, to: *LIFESPAN Educational Fund*, 32540 Schoolcraft Rd., Ste. 100, Livonia, MI 48150-4305. All picture ads must be received by **March 10, 2025**. If you prefer to e-mail your photo, you may send them in JPEG format to [mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org) (with "LIFESPAN Photo" in the subject line) and mail your check to the above

*LIFESPAN* address. For more information, call *Right to Life - LIFESPAN's* Main Office at 734.524.0162.

### Yes! Please include my photo in *LIFESPAN's* Resource Book 2025!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of people in photo (or other caption) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My photo and check are enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ My photo will be sent by e-mail; enclosed is my check.

Ad Seller's Name (if name is other than above) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Be a *LIFESPAN* Patron!

### Resource Book 2025 Patron Ads:

Gold Patron \$100     Silver Patron \$50     Bronze Patron \$10     Memorial Patron \$10

Please PRINT name(s) exactly as you wish them to appear. Names of patrons in each of these categories will be listed on separate pages in the Resource Book 2025. Patron Ads are tax-deductible; make checks payable to *Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund*. Deadline for submission is **March 10, 2025**.

Patron Name(s) - Gold, Silver or Bronze \_\_\_\_\_

Memorial Patron Name(s) (deceased): \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Seller's Name (if name is other than above) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_



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## Advance Directives - An Example

I am a human being. I believe that I have been made in the image and likeness of my Creator and have been placed on this earth for His divine purpose.

As such, I do **NOT** embrace the notion, medical or philosophical, of a “persistent vegetative state”. As noted above, I am a human being and not a carrot. My creator will call me to Him when His designs for me have been accomplished.

**Therefore, I state below my desires for end of life care.**

Should I be unable to indicate my preferences for medical/surgical care, be advised that I do not view nutrition and hydration, **NO MATTER HOW DELIVERED** (by mouth, intravenous drip, feeding tube-surgically placed or otherwise), to be medical care. I view nutrition and hydration, **NO MATTER HOW DELIVERED** (by mouth, intravenous drip or feeding tube-surgically placed or otherwise), to be normal, ordinary and mandatory care and expect to receive the same, **NO MATTER HOW DELIVERED** (by mouth, intravenous drip, feeding tube-surgically placed or otherwise). I further recognize that there may come a time that nutrition and hydration delivered by any means other than orally may prolong my dying process. Even in that instance, I require that fluids at least be offered orally – even if I cannot consume them. A straw from a fluid filled container placed in my mouth and verbal encouragement offered to drink from that straw protects my dignity as a human being and enhances the humanity of the one offering it.

I expect to be given those medications and treatments that will result in a cure or alleviation of discomfort for medical or surgical conditions or that will relieve pain and/or anxiety brought about by medical or surgical conditions. I understand that the administration of certain drugs may have side effects that impact adversely on respiration, circulation or mental status. I accept the administration of such drugs and/or treatments that are administered for the sole purpose of alleviating distress and NOT for the purpose of hastening or encouraging my death. The term being used at this time is “terminal sedation”. I reject this (terminal sedation) activity.

I also reject the notion of “futile care”. If I am unable to indicate my wishes, I expect that my physicians and my family will treat me with the respect, dignity and care that should be accorded to all human beings and that ALL efforts will be made to provide that care to me.

I find the use of life prolonging devices (including but not limited to ventilators, respirators, etc.) acceptable. I also find that it may be in my best interests to discontinue their use. Do not hesitate to start such treatment and likewise, do not agonize over discontinuing their use, except for oxygen, when that is the appropriate action to take. If I appear to struggle for air, I require the use of oxygen, by cannula or mask, because even when unconscious, distress caused by the inability to breath adequately is unnecessary and to be prevented.

Bear in mind that I may reach a state where no medical or surgical intervention will prevent my death. When that time is reached, and I am unable to indicate my wishes, I direct my children to make those necessary decisions. If one or more cannot agree on my treatment, I require that no final decision on such treatment be made until all three can agree. I lay the heavy burden of explaining medical/surgical options to my sons on my daughter, since, by virtue of her education and experience, she is the most well equipped to understand the options and their impact. I believe that this will lead to agreement among them. If there is disagreement, I urge patience, kindness and understanding among them until agreement is reached.

Should my mental competence diminish to such a degree that I am a danger to myself or others, I choose to be cared for in my home as long as possible. When that is no longer possible, residence in a facility designed to provide dignity, safety and care is acceptable.

I believe that my family understands that I believe in the sanctity of human life, in its purpose and that ultimately it belongs to the One who has created it. I direct them to trust in that Creator to help them make decisions most pleasing to Him and, therefore, in my best interests.

*Note: Make sure your doctor, lawyer, and family members have their copies.*



## 2000 Crosses

We would like to invite your congregation to participate in the 2000 White Crosses pro-life event which occurs April–November each year. We currently have several openings still available. Most faith-based communities display the crosses for 1 or 2 weeks (your choice). Putting up and taking down the crosses isn't difficult, we provide easy, stream-lined instructions. Your parish KofC can play an integral part in assisting. It's also an excellent opportunity for parishioners to be involved in a pro-life activity. The visual impact of seeing all these white crosses is a silent and inspiring message. For more information, please contact:  
**Donna Jazowski at 248-393-5766 or djaz28@comcast.net**



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Have questions? Please contact Charles Kleinbrook at 248-352-9569 or MrChip1234@aol.com

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We will be collecting baby items at the BTC locations for our outreach program, Wee Care. Wee Care is a place where families can turn in an emergency situation when their needs cannot be met by other organization or public agencies. Our "babies" are referred to us by churches, pregnancy help centers, hospitals, visiting nurses, social agencies and others. We put together baby layettes filled with clothing, warm blankets, diapers, and other necessities.

New items that are needed: Sleepers, onesies, dresses or outfits (newborn to 9 months), socks, baby bath towels and washcloths, receiving blankets, afghans, quilts, sheets, bibs, pacifiers, diapers (size 1 - 5), baby wipes, shampoo, & lotion.

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