



# Speak up

for those who cannot speak for themselves  
*(Proverbs 31:8)*

**Add your prayers** to a 40-day, nationwide effort to end abortion. From September 23 to November 1 thousands of people will join **simultaneously in 250 U.S. cities** in fervent prayer and fasting for:

- ✚ Women and their babies who are in danger of abortion
- ✚ Men and women who carry the pain of a past abortion
- ✚ Workers at abortion clinics, and local, state and national leaders who misguidedly support abortion

Prayer can take place as peaceful, prayerful public witness in front of an abortion facility (recommended), or in church, home or school. **Will you pledge just 1 hour of prayer during the 40 days?** Ask your parish Respect Life Coordinator how your can unite with this effort. **PLEASE JOIN US TO CHANGE HEARTS through the power of prayer.**

For Maryland locations: [www.40daysforlife.com/baltimore](http://www.40daysforlife.com/baltimore)

## Related Activities Planned

**Day of Reflection**: “Food for the Journey”, Thurs., Sept. 24, 9:00 am-3:30 pm at the beautiful and peaceful Shrine of St. Anthony (Franciscan Friary), 12290 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042  
\$25/pp including lunch. RSVP: 410-547-5537 or [Life@archbalt.org](mailto:Life@archbalt.org)  
Make check payable to Respect Life Office, 320 Cathedral St., Baltimore, MD 21201

**Prayerful Presence + Sidewalk Counseling Seminars** at several locations  
throughout the Archdiocese – Details to follow

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### Suggested Prayer services for 40 Days for Life

**Holy Hour for Life booklet** – free download <http://archbalt.org/respect-life/abortion-clinic-prayer-vigils.cfm>

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/liturservices.shtml>

### **Prayers for Pro-Life Liturgical and Para-Liturgical Services**

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*"And so we pray for the conversion of those whose hearts have been made hard by the sin of abortion and the sin of its propagation. We pray for the courage and persistence of St. Paul, as we endeavor to spread the Gospel of Life. We pray for the triumph of Life."*

Cardinal William H. Keeler, Homily at the  
Basilica of the National Shrine of the  
Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C  
January 23, 2005

- **Blessings** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/blessings.shtml>
- **A Holy Hour for Life** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/holyhourforlife.shtml>
- **Intercessions** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/intercessions.shtml>
- **Litanies** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/litanies.shtml>
- **Meditations** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/meditations.shtml>
- **Novenas** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/novenas.shtml>
- **Prayer** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/liturgicalprayers.shtml>
- **Rosaries for Life** <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/rosariesforlife.shtml>

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