



Live the Gospel of Life

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Pro-Life Office

-Visitation Banquet in Kearney on December 6

We encourage you to support this wonderful charity event hosted by UNK's Students for Life. Donations fund a scholarship for pregnant women on campus.

Get your banquet tickets here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSebCY0Dupb7ozrGnhICi8HeqQD7Ktn40MXtuDbAnwx46l1ZYw/viewform?pli=1>

To donate to the scholarship fund, go here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeszNjRIllvt_jHnr2yScemF1fBcVQX8YaaOxw45osJqKDJJQ/viewform?usp=header



UNK STUDENTS
FOR LIFE

The Visitation Banquet

December 6, 2025

Join us for a night of conversation and fellowship to raise money for a scholarship for pregnant women and current mothers on the University of Nebraska-Kearney campus. Ticket proceeds and donations will go directly to the scholarship fund.

JOIN US THIS NIGHT TO HEAR FROM OUR LOVELY SPEAKERS:

DR. KYLE MYERS
MRS. JULIE MYERS
MS. CASSIE KOUMA
SEL OFFICERS AND STUDENTS

TICKET FORM:



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-Listen to "It's Real Life" on Spirit Catholic Radio

Recently, Mike and Linda Kube were honored to be interviewed on Spirit Radio for the "That's Real Life" podcast. This podcast airs weekly on Wednesdays at 11:30 am and Saturdays at 5:00 pm and is sponsored by the Nebraska Pregnancy Care Alliance. You can listen to Mike and Linda's interview here: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/0QHvXgysWm7b6MvXYU0EHJ>

One of the things Mike discussed was the "Walking With Moms in Need" Deanery Concept of having parishes within their respective deaneries work together in supporting moms, along with the local life-affirming Pregnancy Help Organization (PHOs) in their respective areas. These PHOs are all members of the Ne Pregnancy Care Alliance. To find the PHO in your area, go to: <https://nebraskapregnancyalliance.org/>.

Please continue your prayers to discern how you and your parish can support "Walking with Moms in Need" in your parish and within your deanery. For more information, please visit our new bilingual promotional video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7u2eC8KW4K4>.

-‘Be Not afraid!’

Have the courage to be a witness and evangelist for the Gospel of Life
By Bishop James Conley, October 31, 2025

Read Bishop’s Letter here: <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/op-ed/bishop-s-column/19190-be-not-afraid-2>

Students For Life

A couple of winners from the *Pro-Life Gen Chalk Day Contest* held by Students for Life of America.



Most Artistic: Alexandra Cleveland



Most Creative Message: Winthrop Students for Life



Best Use of Theme: Classical Conversations

-Fall Apologetics Webinar

Join us on Wednesday, November 12th at 8 PM ET. **National pro-life apologist, Trent Horn**, will be covering the topic - ***When Life Isn't Enough: Answering the 'Consciousness' Argument for Abortion.*** [Save your seat today!](#)

-Nebraska: Lobby Day

Friday, January 9, from 10 am to 2 pm. [Message me](#) if you would like to join in Lincoln.
William Anderson, Students For Life Midwest Region Coordinator

Nebraska Catholic Conference

-Advocate Letter, by Tom Venzor, November 01, 2025

The Nebraska Catholic Conference has an important and exciting but bittersweet update as we kick off November!

One year ago at this time, we were frantically working together to defeat pro-abortion Initiative 439 and pass pro-life Initiative 434. Several weeks later, we were celebrating the defeat of the abortion industry and the protection of human life on Election Night and at our annual Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet & Conference. Sometimes, it feels like yesterday, and other times it feels like decades ago.

In the past year, God has continued to bless our work, including having the opportunity to think more deeply about our vision, mission, staff, resources, and events. In that discernment, it became clear to us that we need to shift time, energy, and resources to events that have the greatest impact on our pro-life public policy work (more on this below). This also means **we have decided to no longer host the annual Bishops' Pro-Life Banquet & Conference.**

Read the rest of Toms' letter [here](#).

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

-Bishops respond to President Trump on IVF

President Trump announced new policies on October 16 to make *in vitro* fertilization (IVF) more affordable. Bishop chairmen of three relevant USCCB committees [responded the next day](#), reemphasizing the harms of IVF while also expressing hope that ethical restorative reproductive medicine will be able to make strides within the newly announced plans as well.

-New IVF Podcast

In the latest episode of [The Respect Life Podcast](#) from the USCCB's Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Bishop Michael Burbidge from the Diocese of Arlington talks with Kat Talalas about the cross of infertility, the Church's teaching on IVF, and his pastoral letter addressing both. [Listen on your preferred podcast player](#) or [watch on YouTube](#)!

-FDA Approves Chemical Abortion Drug

On October 2nd, the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) was reported to have approved a new generic drug for the abortion pill, mifepristone. Bishop Thomas, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities, [responded in a statement](#), calling the decision especially "jarring" because the FDA is meanwhile reviewing the dangers of mifepristone to mothers.

-Samaritanus bonus

In 2020, the Vatican released the letter *Samaritanus bonus*, "on the care of persons in the critical and terminal phases of life." The Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities' [compendium](#) and [study guide](#) introduce Catholics to this beautiful letter and help them reflect more deeply on its contents.

- Catholic Care for the Sick and Dying

A special edition "Word of Life" is [available in English and Spanish](#) that focuses on Catholic care for the sick and dying. This parish kit can be used at any point throughout the year, but is especially timely during November, a special time of remembrance and prayer for those who have gone before us.

-Word of Life

The [December edition of Word of Life](#) is available in English and Spanish. [Word of Life](#) is a monthly resource for dioceses and parishes that includes monthly special features, intercessions, bulletin quotes, and graphics. Previous editions can be found in the [archives](#), and parishes can [subscribe to receive Word of Life directly by email](#).

Walking With Moms in Need

-Parishes Expand Services

[Several parishes](#) in the Diocese of Rochester have started Walking with Moms in Need ministries in response to [their bishop's request](#) to "renew and expand their services to women and children." Parishes are developing methods of accompaniment and support, from connecting moms with local pregnancy resource centers to incorporating spiritual works of mercy.

-Newsletter

Check out the most recent [newsletter](#)

Pro-Life Calendar

Nov 15	White Mass, Catholic Medical Association, Good Samaritan Chapel, Kearney (4:00 PM)
Dec 6	Visitation Banquet, UNK SFL Charity Event, Kearney
Dec 29	Holy Innocents Mass for Healing, Cathedral (5:15 PM) Celebrant: Bishop James Golka (invited)
Jan-Mar	Pro-Life Youth Art and Essay Contests https://gidiocese.org/pro-life
Jan 16-24	9 Days for Life Novena https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup .
Jan 18	Sanctity of Life Sunday
Jan 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, USCCB Action Guide https://www.respectlife.org/
Jan 22-23	National Prayer Vigil for Life https://www.nationalshrine.org/event/2026-national-prayer-vigilfor-life/
Jan 23	March for Life, Washington, DC https://marchforlife.org/
Jan 24	Pro-Life Summit, Students for Life, Washington DC https://prolifesummit.com/
Jan 31	Bishops' Pro-Life Mass, St. Mary's, Lincoln (9:00) https://necatholic.org/
Jan 31	NE Right to Life, Walk for Life, State Capitol, Lincoln(10:00) https://nebraskarighttolife.org/
Feb14	Pro-Life Coffee, Riverside Golf Club, Grand Island (9:00) https://gidiocese.org/pro-life
Mar 4	Catholics at the Capitol, Lincoln https://necatholic.org/