



Respecting All Life

Every October, we consider more deeply why *every* human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

Each of us can be a part of this work, indeed are **called** to it, but the specific ways that we live out our contributions will differ.

Some are called to pray outside abortion clinics and to support the life of the unborn by assisting young women in challenging circumstances.

Others of us are caring for our children, grandchildren or elderly parents, checking in on a neighbor who needs some help, or teaching.

Farmers, production workers, medical providers, police, firefighters, and waste management workers are involved in the production of food, or goods, or the providing of services which support life.

Some of us are engaged in the political process to help effect change in public policy that will help the poor and address injustice.

The list goes on and on, but each person's work is important and a participation in God's ongoing presence in the world and care for his creation.

Most days we go through our routine without an awareness of how we are doing the very work of God.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done...

Help me, God, to do my part.

Discipleship Update

October 2021

Our New Prague Area Catholic Community parish mission:
We are a Catholic community forming disciples of Jesus Christ dedicated to loving God through our worship, sharing the Good News, and loving service to others.



An Opportunity Too Good to Miss?

The last two sessions of the Synod are focused on youth and young adults. We all know how important it is to engage them, for the future of the Church. We ALL have an opportunity to act on something that is very much on their minds, the future of the planet.

Pope Francis has taken the leadership in responding to the crisis we are experiencing with the changing climate. He is encouraging us not to give up hope, but to act. The Vatican will soon be releasing a 7 year action plan to address this threat to the future of life on earth.

By taking this seriously as a parish, we will be acknowledging something very much on the minds of many youth and young adults as they contemplate their future and the future of their children and grandchildren to come.

This plan is being introduced on November 14. It will suggest goals and concrete actions we can take to be a part of the solution, both in our families and as a parish.

For more information, go to

<https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>

Let's take this opportunity to show our younger parishioners that we care enough about their future to take it seriously.