## WORD OF LIFE - Special Edition

## **Intercessions for Life**

These intentions are appropriate for inclusion in the Prayer of the Faithful at Sunday Mass. They can also be printed in the weekly bulletin, included in parish Holy Hours or Rosaries, featured in email newsletters, shared on social media platforms, or prayed during personal or family prayer.

May the Supreme Court's upcoming decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* help protect women and children from the harm of abortion; *We pray to the Lord*:

For the legal protection of unborn children and for loving support for their mothers before and after their births; *We pray to the Lord:* 

For expectant mothers considering abortion: May the Lord give them the grace to choose life for their children and send them caring people to help them meet their needs; We pray to the Lord:

For expectant mothers: May they be lovingly supported by the fathers of their children in welcoming new life; We pray to the Lord:

May friends and families of women with difficult pregnancies provide loving, life-affirming support for both mother and child; *We pray to the Lord*:

May Catholics recognize the needs of pregnant and parenting women present in their communities and help them to obtain the necessities of life; *We pray to the Lord:* 

May Catholic parish communities strive to provide compassionate, tangible support to pregnant and parenting mothers in need of assistance; *We pray to the Lord:* 

For the Church: May we faithfully witness in word and in deed to the dignity of every human life

through comprehensive care of mothers and their children; We pray to the Lord:

May the Church redouble its efforts to accompany mothers in need, offering them compassionate care and support; *We pray to the Lord:* 

May the Church better understand the challenges facing mothers in need and respond with increased care and support; We pray to the Lord:

May Catholic parishes become islands of mercy for women, children, and families in need of assistance; We pray to the Lord:

For our nation:

May we create a society in which the legal protection of human life is accompanied by profound care for mothers and their children; We pray to the Lord:

For those who have participated in an abortion and feel they have committed an unforgiveable sin: May they come to know the Lord's limitless mercy, and turn to Him for forgiveness and healing; *We pray to the Lord:* 

For those who suffer after participating in an abortion: May they find peace through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and be consoled through the Church's abortion healing ministry; *We pray to the Lord:*