

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

ST. JOHN'S

October 19, 2025

"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. ...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. ...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation." Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae, no. 99. © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Speaker Series

(short presentations of 10 to 15 minutes, with a Q & A opportunity)

- **This Sunday**, October 19th, following 8:30 AM Mass, in the parish hall during the Knight's breakfast. Who: Vitae Family Care Center, Michelle McKernan. Topic: Natural Family Planning. This is a family friendly presentation.
- **Next Sunday**, October 26th, following 8:30 AM Mass, in the parish hall during coffee and donuts. Who: Respect Life Committee member, Kaitlyn Osborn Topic: miscarriage support.



Join Catholics in praying a Respect Life Month novena Oct. 22 - 30. Get daily prayers, reflections and more. Sign up at <u>respectlife.org/celebrate</u>

Interactive Display

Next weekend we wind down the baptismal date interactive display that is located in the front entry area of the church. There is still time for you to participate. See the display for additional information.

Baby Bottle Campaign



We are entering the final week for the baby bottle campaign for InnerVisions HealthCare, a local unplanned pregnancy and STD medical clinic. Please return your change, cash, or checks with the bottle by next Sunday, October 26th. Or you may leave a donation in the large baby bottle or donate online www.IVHCare.org/donate/ (online select Baby Bottle Campaign, St. John's (Adel)). Whatever offering you give will help the mother and the child. Thank you and God bless you all!

If you have any questions, please contact Bryan Gonzalez at 515–280–4706. To learn more about their two clinics and life-affirming mission, visit www.ivhcare.org. We're grateful for Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home for matching a portion of the proceeds that are donated to InnerVisions baby bottle campaign this year!

More reflections, prayers, and activities of our committee may be found at www.stjohnsadel.org/respect-life-committee