



4 March 2017

Mary Our Queen

Attendance:

Whitney Bradley – Coordinator, RLA
Fr. Kevin Vogel – Chaplain, RLA
Jeff Kanger – Nebraska Catholic Conference
Lauren Garcia – Nebraska Catholic Conference
Megan Drapa – Vitae Foundation
Deacon Bob – Mary Our Queen
Marcy Gregory – Mary Our Queen
Lois Coyne – Mary Our Queen
Gene Wessling – Mary Our Queen
Holly Sales – St. Columbkille
Sheila George – St. Peter
Mary Muckey – St. James
Guadalupe Lima – St. Joseph
Angie Wingert – St. Wenceslaus
Mary Alice Kanger – St. Leo

Ann Marie Bowen – Nebraskans United for Life
Carolyn Manhart – St. Margaret Mary
Doris Klitz – St. John Vianney
Connie Johnson – St. Thomas More
Craig Wallace – St. Stephen the Martyr
Joyce Dolton – St. John Vianney
Lynn Weist – St. Leo
Joan Niemeyer – St. Bernard
Monika Maides – Christ the King
Michael Jones – St. Columbkille
Lynn Jones – St. Columbkille
Mary Beth Burton – Holy Cross
Mike Fecci – St. Margaret Mary
Janice Wear – St. Patrick, Gretna
Cathy McDermott – Christ the King

Upcoming Parish and School Pro-Life Coordinator Meetings

- 13 May 2017

1. Welcome, Prayer, and Introductions

2. Local Events and Activities – Whitney Bradley

- 40 Days for Life
 - i. has begun! Most of the days that Carhart is practicing during the vigil are full. Planned Parenthood still needs coverage. If you want to help, or need more information contact Bob Henchal (Carhart's) and Liz Sambol (Planned Parenthood) or you can email 40DaysOmaha@gmail.com. (Flier given – Spanish and English)
- March 9: It's Good that You Are: Death, Dignity, and the Meaning of Compassion
 - i. Whitney Bradley, Omar Gutierrez, and David Hazen have produced a podcast where they discuss Euthanasia. Publication is planned for March 9, 2017. It will be posted to the Archdiocese website, facebook page, and sent out to our different contact groups.
- March 25: Pro-Life Essay Contest
 - i. Whitney will need judges again, and will send out an email asking later this month. At least three volunteer per grade are needed (15).
- March 30: HUSH Screening
 - i. Whitney is working with UNO Students for Life. They will be showing HUSH (<http://hushfilm.com/>) for free with a discussion panel to follow. It will be in the Milo Bail Student Center Dodge Room, UNO from 5:30-8:30pm. If all goes well, they will try another screening at the Newman Center. (Flier given)
- April 4: Living Rosary



- i. St. Peter's at 2:30pm. Coordinators, please bring 1-2 dozen cookies as we expect at least 200 people. (Flier given)
- April 27: Abortion Dialogue Academy
 - i. St. Margaret Mary, Omaha (If you missed the one at Spirit on Wednesday, and still want to go! I would highly encourage it!) 6-8pm
- April 28: Abortion Dialogue Academy
 - i. St. Mary, West Point 6-8pm

3. Bishops Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities – Jeff Kanger

- Catholics at the Capitol: March 21 (Flier given)
- Legislative Updates

LB 46 – Choose Life License Plates

- Monday's cloture vote was successful 39 votes in favor, 1 vote against (Chambers) and 8 Present
- Sen. Krist did not vote on cloture or the underlying bill, LB 46A.
- LB 46 and the accompanying appropriations bill LB 46A, have now both moved on to Select File.
- We will have several more rounds on voting before the bill goes to the Governor's desk

LB 506 – Compassion and Care for Medically Challenging Pregnancies Act (Perinatal Hospice)

- Advanced from committee on 7-0 vote
- Prioritized by Sen. Albrecht Monday
- Best guess for floor debate will be end of March or early April

LB 450 – Doctor Prescribed Suicide

- Scheduled for Hearing March 15th
- Please let Jeff Kanger know if you have any ideas for testifiers (jkanger@necatholic.org)

LB 529 – Expand Judicial By-pass

- Scheduled for Hearing March 16th

LB 173 – Prohibits Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

- Advanced out of Judiciary Committee on 6-1 vote, Sen. Ebke was present not-voting
- Not yet prioritized. Prioritization by a senator means it would be more likely to be discussed and called to a vote in floor debate.

LB 120 – Expands Contraceptive Services

- Scheduled for Hearing March 15th

4. Break (10 minutes)

5. Presentation: Vitae Foundation – Megan Drapa

6. Reports from Coordinators and Miscellaneous Announcements

- a. Nebraskans United for Life
- b. News from other coordinators?

7. Closing Prayer