

December 7, 2023

Dear Pastor:

I'd like to briefly let you know about a life-saving prayer project that will take place here in Springfield, MA February 14^{th} through March 24^{th} . I'm hoping that your Church or Parish will be able to join us as we unite with many other cities across our nation and around the world for a peaceful, prayerful, simultaneous pro-life outreach -40 Days for Life. We pray that this effort will bring about the end of abortion.

This International Campaign is based on 2 Chronicles 7:14:

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign that generates measurable life-saving results. So far, 40 Days for Life campaigns have been conducted in over 9000 communities in over 70 nations. More than 24,000 children have been reported as saved from abortion. Local abortion numbers have dropped – as much as 28%. Post-abortive women (and men) are finding healing and forgiveness. In each city, hundreds – more than 1,000 in some cases – are getting involved with local life-saving efforts for the first time.

40 Days for Life is a cross-denominational, faith-based effort made up of three key components:

- **Prayer and fasting:** Inviting people of faith throughout our city to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
- **Peaceful vigil:** Standing for life through a 40-day peaceful, prayerful, public witness outside Planned Parenthood at 3550 Main Street in Springfield, MA
- **Community outreach:** Taking a positive, upbeat pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church presentations, door-to-door advocacy, and public visibility

All participants are asked to sign a *Statement of Peace* in which they pledge to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner. 40 Days for Life has been endorsed by many prominent national leaders. To learn more about the plans for the forthcoming coordinated effort, you can visit: www.40daysforlife.com/springfield.

A representative from 40 Days for Life or someone from your parish may be contacting you to tell you more and help answer any questions you may have.

If you would like to speak with someone sooner, you're welcome to contact me at (413) 342-0340 and/or 40dayswm@gmail.com. I look forward to working with you, as Moses said, to choose life so that we may live!

Sincerely,

Tim Biggins Campaign Director 40 Days for Life, Western Mass.