



Diocese of Joliet Life Advocacy Day

Help fight taxpayer-funded abortions!

[House Bill 40](#) is the latest version of legislation that allows **your tax money to pay for elective abortions** for Medicaid recipients and state employees.

It also allows **tax money** to go to grants to **organizations that refer, counsel for, or perform abortions**. Current law calls for those grants to go to organizations that assist women experiencing problem pregnancies.

Please join the
Office for Human Dignity ~ Respect Life Ministry
Wednesday, April 5, 2017
At the Capitol Building in Springfield
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Schedule of the Day:

- 10:00 AM – Briefing at Illinois State Museum’s auditorium, 502 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL
- 10:30 AM – Lobby with Legislators
- 1:00 PM – Lunch Provided
- 2:00 PM – Depart Springfield to return home

Please register by Wednesday, March 29, 2017

By phone: (815) 221-6251

By email: prolife@dioceseofjoliet.org

*Please provide your name, address, e-mail, and phone number.



Consider fasting on Wednesday, April 5, to join in solidarity with those from our Diocese who will be traveling to Springfield.

Prayer for Life Advocacy Day

Gracious and merciful God, we ask that you send your Spirit among us to guide us and direct us in order to inspire all of our political leaders to advance the culture of life in their duty to uphold the common good for all the people they serve. You sent your Son Jesus to teach us how to pray, how to serve you in obedience and how to be the people you are calling us to be. You inspire us each and every day to appreciate the gifts you bestow upon us and to use them to change the hearts and minds of all people. The most precious gift you have given us is the gift of life and you call us to be good stewards of all our creation. Help us to cultivate a spirit of prayer and of reconciliation for the lack of due diligence in protecting the most vulnerable among us; the children who are forgotten, abandoned and thought of as an inconvenience to the welfare of societies. Inspire all those in public office to protect the dignity of the unborn and those who are living who are deemed unfit to receive our care. Help us to receive your wisdom so that we may know how best to serve you and your people. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

We ask the faithful of the Diocese of Joliet to pray this prayer daily.

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This advocacy campaign is part of a larger effort by all the Dioceses in Illinois, and is coordinated by the Catholic Conference of Illinois.