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Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe: This missionary image, blessed at the apparition shrine in Mexico City, is one of only a few that travel throughout the world. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patroness of the unborn and her missionary image has been brought to parishes and abortion mills around the country and has been responsible for closing many killing centers. Talks centering around the pro-life aspects of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be given by Fr Imbarrato during the youth concert on the evening of the 21st and during the Conference the morning of the 22nd at the Inn at Loretto.

Priests: An invitation is extended to all Catholic priests from across the state (diocesan and religious) to **concelebrate** at one or both of the Masses that will open and highlight the event (see schedule). Please bring albs and stoles (red or white for Wednesday night; violet for Thursday). Signs will indicate the location for vesting. The USCCB has declared January 22nd a day of penance and prayer for the violations against the Sanctity of Life. For more information contact Fr Stephen Imbarrato 575-447-1717

Knights of Columbus: 4th Degree Knights of Columbus from around the state will participate in both the evening Mass (7:00 pm Wednesday 1/21 and Noon Thursday 1/22). Contact your local 4th Degree coordinator. Leo Pilat is the statewide 4th degree contact person, 505-836-1702; 505-220-7658. The Knights of Columbus are also sponsoring a continental breakfast on Thursday morning (1/22) at the Crispin Hall, directly behind the Cathedral (see map). To help, donate, or for information, contact Joe Valdez, 505-881-2838.

Catholic High School Students: The 3 Bishops are encouraging their Catholic High Schools to give excused absences to those students who wish to attend this event either with their family, school, or parish. **All prescribed policies regarding youth activities must be followed.** For more information, contact your school principal, Diocesan Catholic School office, or parish youth coordinator.

Catholic Elementary School Children: Catholic school children are encouraged to attend this event. Contact your school to see if they are participating as a group or to see what family arrangements can be made.

Youth: We encourage parents to bring their teenage youth (age 13 and above) to this event. **All prescribed policies regarding youth activities must be followed.** There will be a special optional prayerful tour of Holy sites in Santa Fe for teens on Thursday during the conference. Youth will gather on Thursday at 9:00 am after Morning Prayer between Cathedral and Rectory for a walking pilgrimage tour of Santa Fe holy sites led by Deacon Anthony Trujillo. *(this has yet to be finalized)* Bring at least \$5.00 for refreshments along the way. Youth will return by 11:30 in time for the noon Mass. Per Archdiocesan policy, any youth who attends this walking pilgrimage **MUST** have completed permission slip filled out and signed by a parent or legal guardian. See last page for permission slip.

Masses: The 2 Masses (January 21st 7:00 pm and January 22nd Noon) are the highlights of this event and we encourage everyone to attend and take part in both Masses. The Wednesday evening Youth Mass will be held at St Anne's Church (see address and directions below). The Noon Mass will be at the Basilica Cathedral of St. Francis. The 3 Bishops of NM will be attending the Noon Mass. These will be rich liturgies with full choirs. Priests from throughout the state will concelebrate. For more information, call Fr Stephen Imbarrato 575-447-1717.

Regarding Thursday, January 22nd, the USCCB states, "On this anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, *Roe vs. Wade* (1973), this day shall be observed in all dioceses of the United States as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through the acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.

Non-denominational Prayer Service: At Noon at the Conference Center at the Inn at Loretto, there will be non- denominational prayer service for life coinciding with the Noon Mass. both groups will then join up to process to the statehouse. The service will be lead by Pastor Bill Redman and other Christian pastor and will include praise and worship.

Youth Concert: After the Mass on Wednesday evening, January 21st, music geared toward youth, young adults, and young at heart will precede all night Eucharistic adoration. The Youth Concert should begin about 8 pm Wednesday, January 21st at St Anne's Parish. (see address and directions below)

Youth Group Overnight Accommodations: Youth groups from parishes or high schools who wish to stay overnight are welcomed to stay at St. Anne's, Santa Fe where the youth Mass and concert will be held. For more information about lodging at St Anne's, contact Anton Balcomb 505--474-2919 or 505-577-4634. Our Lady of Guadalupe should also be able to accommodate some youth groups.

Eucharistic Adoration at Cathedral, St Anne's and Our Lady of Guadalupe: We will have Eucharistic Adoration throughout the night at 3 locations in Santa Fe (see schedule and addresses and directions below). until early Thursday, January 22nd. We want groups from parishes and / or families to sponsor at least one hour during the night at one of the locations so we insure that there are ample adorers throughout the night. To sponsor an hour of adoration, please contact Fr. Stephen Imbarrato 575-447-1717 or frstephen@defendinglife.org.

Morning Prayer and Benediction: All night Eucharistic adoration will end with Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and Benediction at various times on Thursday, January 22nd, at St Anne's, Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the Cathedral of St Francis. (see addresses and directions below)

Conference at Inn at Loretto: From 9:00 am on Thursday morning, January 22nd, to approximately 11:30 am, there will be a conference on Respect Life issues at the Conference Center of the Inn at Loretto (see address and directions below). The Conference will include talks given by Archbishop Michael Sheehan, Allen Sanchez of the Catholic Conference, and Dauneen Dol as well as Bill Sharer, and Pastor Mike Naranjo. These talks will center on current legislative issues and spiritual aspects of Respect life Ministry. The bishops will be available for meet and greet. All are encouraged to attend, but seating may be limited. For information on the conference, please contact Allen Sanchez 505-319-3334.

Vigil At Local Abortion Mill: For those who are interested, there will be a prayer vigil at the office of Lucia Cies, abortionist, on 435 St Michael's Drive (near St Vincent Hospital). Vigil will be held from 9:30 am till 10:30 am. Go to the website www.defendinglife.org for more information.

Pro-life Exhibits: The convention will also be at the **Inn at Loretto** and will include exhibits by Respect Ministries and organizations from across the state and the 3 dioceses. To reserve a table at the convention for your Respect Life ministry or organization, please call 505-266-4100 (Project Defending Life). There is no charge for a table.

Continental Breakfast: There will be a **complimentary** (monetary donations requested) simple continental breakfast served from 8:00 am till 11:00 am on Thursday, January 22nd, sponsored by the state Knights of Columbus at Crispin Hall located directly behind the Cathedral. To assist the Knights during the breakfast, contact Joe Valdez, 505-881-2838.

Rosary Procession: The procession will begin immediately after the Thursday, January 22nd, Noon Mass. We will process from the Basilica Cathedral through the Plaza area of downtown Santa Fe to the Roundhouse.

Signs / Banners / Images: Everyone is encouraged to bring a parish or school banner (identifying their school/parish) or religious images or Santos such as Our Lady of Guadalupe to carry in the procession and during the rally. Please note that these banners or signs cannot be brought into the Cathedral because of lack of space, so keep them in your car until the procession begins. **Text and Image Signs will be available from Project Defending Life and will be distributed after Mass outside of the Cathedral and then collected at the Statehouse.** Everyone is encouraged to carry a sign or image while praying during the procession.

Rally at the Roundhouse: The rally at the roundhouse will conclude the event and will last about 1/2 hour. This rally will be of a reflective and prayerful nature keeping with the serious nature of abortion in this country. Again, no candidate or "issue" signs are permitted as this is a prayer event not a protest. **Event organizers reserve the right to remove any signs that are inappropriate.** For more information, please contact Allen Sanchez 505-319-3334.

Driving Long Distances: If you are driving long distances, leave enough time for your trip. Driving time from Farmington (approx. 4 1/2 hours), Gallup (3 1/2 hours), Las Cruces (4 1/2 hours), and Albuquerque (1 hour). Weather in January can be unpredictable and since we are encouraging people to come for the whole event, please consider making overnight arrangements (see lodging section below).

Food: A Continental breakfast and will be available at Crispin Hall behind the Cathedral next to the Cathedral from 8:00 am till 11:00 am on Thursday, January 22nd (see above). Because lunch is not provided, you may want to bring snacks and sandwiches with you or take advantage of the many eating places in the Santa Fe Plaza area. There is a list of eating places nearby the Cathedral at the end of this guide.

Lodging: If you need to stay overnight, all lodging arrangements need to be made on your own. Since January is the low season in Santa Fe, there are many reasonable inn rates (prices range from \$79 /night and up and accommodations vary in number). Discounts may be available if you book multiple rooms. We are working on discounts for the event.

Inn at Loretto (211 Old Santa Fe Trail 505-988-5531 where the Conference and Exhibits will be held. This is a top end place.

Garrell's Desert Inn 311 Old Santa Fe Trail (basically next to the Inn at Loretto \$79 to \$99 to \$109 in January. This is a lower end place, but very nice. (505) 982-1851 or 1852 Fax (505) 989-1646.

Other suggestions: Hotel Plaza Real (505-988-4900), Ft Marcy Inn and other inns (800-796-8194); Old Santa Fe Inn (888-653-7346), Inn at Santa Fe (888-675-2422), El Rey Inn 982-1931. Dancing Ground of the Sun B & B 711 Paseo de Peralta, on the corner of Paseo de Peralta & Palace Ave. 2 minute walk to the Cathedral and the Plaza. (505) 986-9797 or 988-2800 X 500, FAX (505) 986-8082 This B & B has 5 casitas at \$107 a night with King or Queen size bed in bedroom and a front room and a small kitchen and bathroom. They have 16 traditional rooms at \$79.00 with queen or 2 twin beds for 2 people only and centennial breakfast included in price.

Directions to St. Francis Cathedral, Santa Fe: I- 25 to Pecos Trail exit. Follow exit west to Pecos Trail light. Make right onto Pecos Trail and follow till merge with Santa Fe Trail. Follow Santa Fe Trail (bear left) to light at Paseo de Peralta. Make right onto Paseo De Peralta and follow to Alameda light. Make left onto Alameda and then right into parking lot.

Directions to other event sites such as St Anne's and the Inn at Loretto can be found at www.defendinglife.org where you can find maps and driving instructions through Mapquest.

Parking: Parking is in the public lot next to the Cathedral. Tell attendant that you are attending a Cathedral event. Parking is also available next to the Cathedral School off Alameda. There may be a small fee to park for the day. There are other public lots near the state house and around Paseo de Peralta (see directions).

Catholic Places to See: Mission Church of San Miguel, Hill of Martyrs, Cathedral of Saint Francis, Loretto Chapel. We will have information at the morning conference for those who wish to visit places of interest in the plaza area either the day before, the morning of (during the conference before Noon Mass), or after the rally.

What to wear: Dress warmly; hats gloves, and warm jackets. Last year we encountered snow flurries and temperatures in the 30's. After Mass, we may be outside for up to 2 hours between the procession and the rally. The rally will be outside in front of the Statehouse.

Eating Places: There are numerous eating places in the Santa Fe Plaza area. Here are a few examples: **San Francisco Diner** 50 E. San Francisco #2 505-982-2044; **Upper Crust Pizza** 329 Old Santa Fe Trail 982-0000; **Rooftop Pizza** 60 E. San Francisco St. There are several small places to eat right on the plaza. **Blue Corn Café,**

133 West Water St., 984-1800 Lunch \$7 to \$10, Dinner \$7 – 17 **Cowgirl BBQ**, 319 St. Guadalupe St., 982-2565, Breakfast \$7.50, Lunch \$9.00, Din \$12.00. **Sleeping Dog Tavern**, 114 West San Francisco St., 982-4335, Lunch & Dinner \$8.00, **Zia Diner**, 326 So Guadalupe, 988-7008, Breakfast & lunch \$5 - \$10.00. Din \$5 - \$20.00. **Bakery & Coffee : The French Pastry Shop**, 100 San Francisco St in La Fonda Hotel, 983-6697. Breakfast \$2.75, Lunch \$6.00 **Plaza Bakery/Haagen Dazs**, 56 East San Francisco St., 988-3858. Breakfast \$2.75, Lunch \$5., Dinner \$7.00. **Continental W Southwest Spin: The Pink Adobe**, 408 Old Santa Fe Trail, 983-7712. Lunch \$6 - \$8., Dinner \$12 –25.00. **Good Fast Food: The Burrito Co.**, 111 Washington Ave, 982-4453, \$5 to \$7.00. **Italian: Ie Piatto**, 95 West Marcy St., 984-1091. Lunch \$7, Dinner \$ 13. 00. **Osteria D’Assisi**, 58 so. Federal Place, 986-5858, Lunch \$6 -\$11, Dinner \$11 -\$19.00. **Pizza: Le Vicino** – near the Eldorado Hotel, 321 W San Francisco St, 986-8700. **Guadalupe Café**, 422 Old Santa Fe Trail, 982-9762, near the Capitol. \$7 to \$16.00. **La Plazuela at La Fonda Hotel**, 100E San Francisco St. 982-5511. **Santa Fe Bar & Grill**. 50 E San Francisco St., 982-2044, Lun \$7 – \$10.00, Din \$7.00- 20.00. **The Shed**, 113 East Palace Ave in Sena Plaza, 982-9030. Lunch \$8. Dinner \$10.00.

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**PARENT / GUARDIAN
PERMISSION SLIP / MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION / INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

SPONSOR OF ACTIVITY: Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Diocese of Las Cruces and Diocese of Gallup

ACTIVITY: Various Sanctity of Life Awareness and Unity Day Events (Teen Mass, Concert, Overnight, Walking Tour)

DATE (S) OF ACTIVITY: Wednesday January 21st to Thursday January 22, 2008

PLACE OF ACTIVITY: Downtown Santa Fe

The undersigned as parent or legal guardian of (print full name of youth) _____ does hereby give permission for the above named individual to attend the described activity.

As a condition of attending the described activity, I do hereby release the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe and all its affiliated parishes, schools and organizations, as well their officers, agents and employees, from any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of to death, injury, or illness, in any way, arising from the above described activity, including, but not limited to transportation to and from the event.

I further agree that the financial responsibility for securing care, in case of injury resulting participation in the program, is a matter between the participant and his/her health care provider, that the Archdiocese of Santa Fe cannot pay health care providers for treatment of any injuries.

It is further agreed, that the participant will assume all legal responsibility for their personal safety and actions while participating in the program and while traveling to and from program activities.

I hereby authorize the Supervisor of the activity or his/her designee to act in my behalf to authorize such medical attention, surgery, or other health care services, as may be recommended in an emergency situation while participating in the activity. If the below named physician cannot be reached, I hereby authorize any licensed physician or medical center to treat my child.

Name of Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Guardian)

Phone: _____
Home Work Mobile