

## Suggested Prayers of the Faithful Through Election Day

For the Church, that we may bear joyful witness that each human life comes from God, belongs to God, and is meant to return to God, we pray to the Lord.

For all public officials, that the Holy Spirit would inspire them to enact laws that defend and promote the right to life of all human beings, especially those not yet born; we pray to the Lord.

For those working to build a culture of life where every person is welcomed as a gift from God, may they be strengthened through the grace of Christ; we pray to the Lord.

For all couples facing an unexpected pregnancy, may the Lord give them hope and love for their child; we pray to the Lord.

For all pregnant mothers who are alone and afraid, may they know that Jesus is with them through the accompaniment of friends and family, we pray to the Lord.

For all who have suffered from the traumatic effects of abortion, that they may find peace in the love of Jesus Christ and be guided by hope to seek refuge in His mercy; we pray to the Lord.

For our parish community, that we will offer our hearts, minds, and hands to God to be His instruments in welcoming and supporting all expectant parents who find themselves alone or afraid, we pray to the Lord.

For all citizens of Ohio, may we have awe for the gift of life and act to protect the preborn and their mothers, preserve parental rights, and accompany pregnant women in need.

