

## **GOSPEL OF LIFE COMMITTEE**

**Mission:** The Gospel of Life Committee is committed to providing spiritual and educational leadership for the community of St. Francis Xavier to foster and advocate respect and protection for the gift of human life.

**Scripture:** Psalm 139: 13-14 “You formed my being; you knit me in my mothers’ womb. I praise you so wonderfully you made me; wonderful are your works.”

**Objective:** To fulfill the Holy Father’s directive to respect, protect and celebrate the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death.

“Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end; no one can under any circumstances claim for himself the right to directly destroy an innocent human being.” (CCC 2258.)

### **Goal #1 Build Spiritual Growth to support and promote the Culture of Life from conception to natural death.**

Lenten Prayer and Fast for Culture of Life

Advent Prayer and Fast for Culture of Life

Weekly Entry in ‘Prayer of the Faithful’

Daily Rosary – Committee Members pray Rosary daily for building a Culture of Life

Parish Lenten Mission for the Theology of the Body

Promote the Blanket of Love

Promote the Book of Innocents

Coordinate the Sunday Rosary in the Chapel

Gospel of Life Group Retreat

### **Goal #2 Build an Education program to support and promote the Culture of Life.**

Develop Life Support E-mail List-

Bulletin Education entry each week

Sponsor Priest to speak on Gospel of Life at weekend Masses in First weekend Oct

Public Pro Life Publicity on local Bill Boards  
Bulletin Board at SFX  
Promote and advertise the <http://www.sfxforlife.org/> web site  
Gabriel Network-2 bulletin inserts describing GN  
Death Penalty education of community and calls to action  
Sanctity of Marriage, Stem Cell Research, Euthanasia Education to Community  
Pamphlets in the parish bathrooms  
Create a SFX Tri Fold Pamphlet  
GOL Teams will meet with Faith Formation and Middle School Leaders  
Facilitate groups focused on the study of the Theology of the Body

**Goal #3 Develop a Direct Action program to support and promote the Culture of Life.**

Legislation Action:

Lobby Night Annapolis in participation with other parishes  
Letter writing and e-mail  
March for Life DC Bus

Baby Shower for Pregnancy Center  
Gabriel Project – support 3 mothers  
Coordinate with sister pro-life groups  
GOL Dinner with existing members, prospective members and Father  
Participation in 40 Days for Life praying at Abortion Mills