

WORD OF LIFE: SEPTEMBER 2017

Intercessions for Life

September 3rd

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the times we call out to God in distress:

May we receive the grace to give thanks
for the gift of life and to trust the promise
of God's steadfast love;

We pray to the Lord:

September 10th

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the times we suffer in anguish:

May God comfort us with the knowledge
that our life always has purpose
and is always worth living;

We pray to the Lord:

September 17th

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the times we have taken

God's gift of life for granted:

May we seek forgiveness with confidence
in God's faithful and merciful love;

We pray to the Lord:

September 24th

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all of Christ's disciples:

May we foster a culture of life
and a civilization of love;

We pray to the Lord:

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September 3rd

“The sufferings caused by chronic or terminal illness ... cry out for our compassion, a word whose root meaning is to ‘suffer with’ another person. True compassion alleviates suffering while maintaining solidarity with those who suffer. It does not put lethal drugs in their hands and abandon them.”



USCCB, “To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Assisted Suicide,”
© 2011, <https://goo.gl/BVQ3dE>.

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September 13th

“When people are tempted to see their own lives as diminished in value or meaning, they most need the love and assistance of others to assure them of their inherent worth.”



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September 17th

“The Church’s teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God’s love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world.”



USCCB, “Married Love and the Gift of Life,” © 2006, <https://goo.gl/eKhtav>.

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September 24th

“Only respect for life can be the foundation and guarantee of the most precious and essential goods of society, such as democracy and peace.”



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IN THE NETHERLANDS, REQUESTS FOR “HASTENED DEATH” WERE WITHDRAWN BY **85%** OF PATIENTS WHEN THEIR SYMPTOMS WERE BETTER CONTROLLED.

Every Suicide is Tragic:
www.goo.gl/KEXpR9

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AND HIS PLANS FOR US ARE GOOD.

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