# WORD OF LIFE: SEPTEMBER 2017

# **Intercessions for Life**

### September 3<sup>rd</sup>

**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 17<sup>th</sup>

**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 3<sup>rd</sup>

"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,"

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#### September 13<sup>th</sup>

"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 17<sup>th</sup>

"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, <a href="https://goo.gl/eKhtav">https://goo.gl/eKhtav</a>.

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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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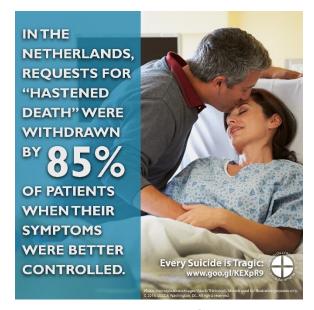
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