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Office of Parish Stewardship

We are pleased to present our October issue of **ONE FAMILY IN MISSION** newsletter. We invite you - as part of that **FAMILY** - to share articles, best practices and any other items that you believe would benefit our community of Stewards. Please send them to tzalud@drvc.org.

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This Month is Respect Life Month

During the month of October, the Church celebrates Respect Life Month. Throughout the month, parishes, Dioceses and the USCCB provide opportunities for the people to pray for the sanctity of life in this country (and around the globe), give gifts to single and pregnant young mothers, and learn about the importance of protecting life. As Catholics, we are called to stand up for life and defend the weak and vulnerable against the culture of death that seems to be prevalent within our society. There are many ways you can take a stand and do something to respect life—including following the 4 pillars of stewardship.

Using the **Pillar of Service**, you can donate your time or money to important Pro-Life causes. There are volunteer opportunities available in our Diocese for you to assist the Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics in their important mission. You could be of great service to mothers in need.

Using the Pillar of Hospitality, you could not only volunteer your time to help others in need, but you could also use your time to visit the elderly. Unfortunately, many of our elderly are lonely and would love some company. You respect all walks of life when you take some time out of your day to remember that everyone needs some love and company from time to time.

Using the **Pillar of Prayer**, you can pray for an end to abortion and pray for those women who may be considering an abortion. You can do this on your own, or you could join with Catholics all over the country by praying the Respect Life Month Novena from October 13-21st this year. You can find more information on that <u>HERE</u>.

Finally, using the Pillar of Formation, we invite you to check out the

resources page on the DRVC's Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics by clicking <u>HERE</u>. On this webpage, you can learn about the Church's teaching on important ethical issues and grow in your understanding of ethical concerns our world faces.

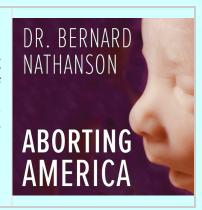
This October, please take some time to remember the vulnerable—the unborn; single, pregnant mothers; the elderly; the ill and those facing the end of their life. Have courage to stand up for what is right and pray for the vulnerable and those who work tirelessly to protect them. Remember also to include the pro-life efforts of the Church in America in all your prayers.

God bless you!

Click **HERE** to check out an interview from St. Martha in Uniondale's own, Pat Edwards and be inspired by her Stewardship journey and service as she discusses her participation in the Ministry to Catholics of African Ancestry and as CMA Chairperson.

Formed Stewardship Content of the Month

Each month, our office suggests Stewardship content from Formed.org that will help you grow in the faith! If you are not signed up with Formed.org, check with your parish to see if they have a subscription. This month, we recommend "Aborting America".



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