

Respect Life Week: Youth Night Resources

Respecting Others

Opening Prayer: [Life and Dignity of the Human Person Prayer](#)

Introduction: We like to think of our world as free of slaves. We have come so far since the time of the slave trade, since the time of the Emancipation Proclamation. So, how could we possibly have slaves in the twenty-first century? Students will learn about the growing problem of human trafficking, both domestic and international. They will learn what trafficking victims experience, how to recognize the victimization of a modern-day slave, and how to keep themselves safe from predators.

Watch [Turn on the Light](#)

- What is human trafficking? Can you give an example?
- Where does human trafficking take place?
- What kinds of people are vulnerable to trafficking? What are some factors that make them vulnerable?
- Who are the traffickers?
- How do you think trafficking is being combated?

Watch [End It Movement: Amy's Story](#)

- How is Amy trying to end human trafficking?
- What are some of the challenges faced by someone who has been trafficked?
- What are ways that each of us can help to "end it"?

Watch [Sister Josephine Bakhita](#) to learn about Saint Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of victims of human trafficking.

Pray this human-trafficking themed [Stations of the Cross](#) from the USCCB to intercede for all victims of human trafficking.

Closing Prayer: Prayer to Saint Josephine Bakhita

St. Josephine Bakhita, you were sold into slavery as a child and endured untold hardship and suffering. Once liberated from your physical enslavement, you found true redemption in your encounter with Christ and his Church. St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery. Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free. Provide comfort to survivors of slavery and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith. Help all survivors find healing from their wounds. We ask for your prayers and intercessions for those enslaved among us. Amen.

Additional Resources for Youth Ministers and Parents

For Youth Ministers and Parents: [Project iGuardian](#) offers practical solutions for teens, parents, and educators for keeping kids safe from online sexual predators. Online resources as well as

information on booking school presentations and a local tipline. Created by Department of Homeland Security.

For Parents: [Covenant Eyes](#) internet accountability and tracking software for purchase that can help keep kids safe from pornography online.