***Walking with Moms in Need***

In 2020, the USSCB began the Walking with Moms in Need Initiative to highlight and connect ministries that serve mothers in need with our parish communities and ensure that everyone knows how to support these ministries and access them when the need arises.

In this critical moment as we await the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization, the US Bishops have asked every diocese and parish to redouble our efforts to promote walking with Moms in Need. **In response, the Archdiocese Respect Life Office has prepared the series of short messages which will be sent to you for the next 5 weeks to be included in your bulletin, Flocknote or other messaging system. The messages will run from Palm Sunday (Apr 10) through Mother’s Day (May 8th)**. They will be emailed from the Respect Life Office in advance each week and will be available in both English and Spanish.

If you are interested in further integrating Walking with Moms in Need at your parish, please contact Sr. Virginia Joy S.V. (sr.virginia.joy@archny.org) at the Respect Life Office. A presentation on how to incorporate the initiative into your parish can be arranged for leaders in the parish.

***Pro-Life Action Guide for Divine Mercy Sunday-April 24th and Mother’s Day- May 8th***

The **Sunday of Divine Mercy** provides an important opportunity to share Christ’s message

of mercy, especially with those who have been wounded by abortion. The USCCB has prepared some excellent resources for you, including **homily helps, sample intercessions**, **bulletin inserts**, and a **Prayer Service for Healing and Mercy.**

**Download the Divine Mercy Pro-Life Action Guide** [**here**](https://www.usccb.org/resources/divine-mercy-action-guide)

For resources and ideas to celebrate **Mother’s Day,** including offering a spiritual bouquet to the Blessed Mother and including a Blessing for the Child in the Womb as well as homily helps and sample intercessions, **download the Mother’s Day Pro-Life Action Guide** [**here**](https://www.usccb.org/resources/respect-life-action-guide-mothers-day)