



Suggested

Laity for Life

Prayers of the Faithful

We have found that the *Laity for Life* Masses are even more meaningful for those in attendance if they include related “Petitions” or “Prayers of the Faithful.”

What follows are several examples of Prayers of the Faithful we have already used.

We post them here for your use as they are or for your creative modification. Feel free !

Then ask the Celebrant of your scheduled *Laity for Life* Mass for permission to include one or more related Prayers of the Faithful.

And should you feel inspired to write some Prayers of the Faithful yourself, please e-mail them to us with your name and parish name. We may post them here.

2008 Novena Of Masses For Life

APRIL 25 - End of FIRST Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the FIRST month of life in their mothers' wombs - their tiny hearts already beating –
That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that first month in Our Lady's womb, will protect them throughout their gestation ...

Let us pray to the Lord

MAY 25 - End of SECOND Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the SECOND month of life in their mothers' wombs – already able to suck their tiny thumbs –
That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that second month in Our Lady's womb, will bless their mothers with the selfless love they need to bring them to term ...

Let us pray to the Lord

JUNE 25 - End of THIRD Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the THIRD month of life in their mothers' wombs – now with tiny fingernails and unique fingerprints – That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that third month in Our Lady's womb, will bless their fathers with the strength to protect them from all harm ...

Let us pray to the Lord

JULY 25 - End of FOURTH Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the FOURTH month of life in their mothers' wombs – now experiencing their first little dreams –
That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that fourth month in Our Lady's womb, will inspire all doctors and nurses to care lovingly for both them and their mothers ...

Let us pray to the Lord

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AUGUST 25 - End of FIFTH Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the FIFTH month of life in their mothers' wombs –
now kicking hard enough for their mothers to feel them –

That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that fifth month in Our Lady's womb, will
encourage and strengthen *everyone* who strives to defend human life ...

Let us pray to the Lord

SEPTEMBER 25 - End of SIXTH Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the SIXTH month of life in their mothers' wombs –
their tiny lungs now strong for possible survival outside the womb –

That Our Lord, Who also knew that sixth month in Our Lady's womb, will give everyone
in public office the courage to protect all human life, born and unborn ...

Let us pray to the Lord

OCTOBER 25 - End of SEVENTH Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the SEVENTH month of life in their mothers' wombs
– now able to taste and yawn and recognize their mothers' voices –

That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that seventh month in Our Lady's womb, will guide
those who minister and teach in His name to risk every worldly opposition in defense of
innocent human life ...

Let us pray to the Lord

NOVEMBER 25 - End of EIGHTH Month

For all unborn babies at the end of the EIGHTH month of life in their mothers' wombs –
now with enough baby fat for warmth and lungs ready to breathe air –

That Our Lord Jesus, Who also knew that eighth month in Our Lady's womb, will open
the arms of everyone around them to receive them with love ...

Let us pray to the Lord

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
Epiphany Cathedral Mass
March 31, 2008

For the shepards and people of the Catholic Church, that Our Lady's YES in response to the Annunciation will constantly inspire them to defend all human life, from conception to natural death ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all unborn babies, nestled in their mothers' wombs as Our Lord was nestled in His, that we might accept them as signs of God's infinite love for us ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all expectant mothers and fathers, that they might be inspired by Our Lady and St Joseph to rejoice in their noble vocations to self-giving parenthood ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all those in government and those aspiring to offices of public trust, that the Holy Spirit will touch their hearts with a profound respect for the sanctity of all human life ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all those who work to protect and defend human life, that they will be continually sustained by Our Lady's prayer for them and her Divine Son's love for them ...

Let us pray to the Lord

**VARIOUS
Laity for Life
MASSES**

In constant thanksgiving for the steadfast commitment of the Holy Catholic Church to the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death ...

Let us pray to the Lord

In prayerful hope that Our Lady's beloved priests and bishops will continuously, courageously call for an end to abortion and euthanasia ...

Let us pray to the Lord

In persevering trust that, no matter what the setbacks, Christ's victory over the Culture of Death is already won ...

Let us pray to the Lord

As this month of **January** ushers in the ____th sorrowful anniversary of the **Roe vs Wade** decision -

May God Our Heavenly Father continually renew the strength of His servants who advocate for the sanctity of all human life ...

Let us pray to the Lord

May His Divine Son continually guide them toward His victory - already won - over The Culture of Death ...

Let us pray to the Lord

May Their Holy Spirit of Love continually fill them with compassion for all they strive to help, including those misguided to do harm ...

Let us pray to the Lord

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For all of God's precious unborn children, that they be safe from abortion and that their mothers and fathers cherish their lives as gifts from God ..

Let us pray to the Lord

For all of God's beloved who are frail or disabled, that they be safe from euthanasia and assisted suicide and that their families treat them with dignity and love for the rest of their natural lives ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all of God's faithful who pray and work for a Culture of Life, that their hope be constantly renewed and their efforts bear abundant fruit ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all the pro-life young people of the Pope John Paul II generation, that the inspiration they took from his special love for them will sustain them in their chaste living and courageous influence of their peers ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all the pro-life adults so deeply touched by Pope John Paul II's Gospel of Life and his own fidelity to it, that they will bear the pro-life fruits of his mighty prayers for them before the throne of God ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For the Holy Catholic Church, whose motherly arms are always open to all of human creation, that Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception will continually inspire the lay faithful and their shepherds to persevere in defending every human life ...

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For all those who dedicate their time and talents to pro-life work, often at the sacrifice of more self-serving activities, that God the Father will continually sustain them with His strength and peace ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For all those young people whose families have taught them to value human life as a sacred gift from their Creator, that God the Son will use their youthful energies to help build His Culture of Life ...

Let us pray to the Lord

For the Holy Catholic Church, called to be a worldwide beacon of respect for *all* human life, from conception to natural death, that God the Holy Spirit will infuse its leaders and its faithful with a burning passion for that Call ...

Let us pray to the Lord

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