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3. for an end to the culture of death through an end of legalized abortion, euthanasia, and the immoral use of medical technology to demean the dignity of human life, and to try to take the place of the One Who is the Source of all Life.
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6. for all survivors of childhood abuse of any sort, and in particular for those who have experienced sexual abuse at the hands of a priest or bishop; we pray for an end to all human trafficking, violence of any sort, and protection for those who are victims of such human indignities.
7. for those in our communities who are homeless, who are in great need of material and physical needs, and for a renewed spirit of generosity and responsibility that Mary shows us to help our sisters and brothers in need.
8. for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, for holy marriages, and loving families; we pray for young people to make good and God-centered decisions as they chart the course for their career choices and life choices.
9. for civility and cooperation in our government and community leaders and for priority to be given to the common good, we pray for a greater respect for human life at all stages of the life spectrum.
10. that each of us will live our lives with prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance, rooted in a life of Faith, Hope and Love — according to the model of our dear Blessed Mother.



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