



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR LIFE

Date: 09/20/2018

To: Whom it May Concern

From: **The Edinburg Pro-Life Committee**

This committee consist of the three parishes in our community in Edinburg; Sacred Heart, St. Joseph, and Holy Family. The three councils of the Knights of Columbus have united to organize a **"Prayer rally"** to bring the community together; families, children, adult, church and public leaders to manifest the need to pray for our country to discourage so much violence, crime, and to protest against the law that permits abortion to occur in our country. Repeating the prayer of Billy Graham, we pray, "Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your forgiveness and to seek your direction and guidance". The "Walk for Life" will commence at Holy Family Catholic Church and convene at the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court (Annex 3 Building).

In the past five years that we've had this event, there has been approximately 50 to 75 parishioners that participated. The plan is to meet at Holy Family Church on Champion at 8:00AM and have a procession to the Commissioners Court Annex 3 building starting soon after. We will walk West on Champion, North on 21st to 107 then West on 107/E. University proceeding West, then South on 12th Ave, West on Cano, finally South on Clossner ending at the Commissioners Court (Annex 3) parking lot (following all traffic laws, proceeding on the sidewalk or shoulder). We will recite the Holy rosary and pray for the Unborn as we walk. At the Commissioners Court, we will be utilizing the parking lot on the South side of the building, where we will have a canopy, chairs, tables, podium, and a sound system set up for the event. Water will be provided throughout the procession and during the event. We will also have nurses available if medical attention is needed.

Statement of Need

Every year, more that, 1.5 million children are aborted in their mother's womb. Over 60 million children have lost their life through abortion since the infamous law of Roe vs. Wade which passed in January 22, 1973. Four thousand pre-born children die every day in the United States, one every 26 seconds. 42 million pre-born babies die world- wide; that's 20 percent of humanity. It was John Paul II who said "A nation that Kills it's children is a nation without hope." Hence, united we come to plea for our country to stop the holocaust against pre-born children who have no one to speak on their behalf.

Action Plan

Therefore, we request **your permission** to have this procession and to use **The Commissioners Court – Annex 3 Building parking lot** to convene as a community to pray, sing, and listen to speakers express their prayers and needs to call this country on its knees to Repent their ways and implore the "Name of God" and "His Mercy" to call us back home to restore and cherish the Christian values on which this country was founded on. Furthermore, we ask that any and all fees be waived as this is a non-profit organization and there is no monetary gains from this event.

The prayer service will be Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 8 a.m. To 11:30 a.m.

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