

## RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

### INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE | 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2009

*(One or more of the following could be used)*

For Pope Benedict XVI, our bishops, priests, religious, lay workers and all the faithful: that they may remain faithful to the call to build a civilisation of life and love;

*We pray to the Lord:*

That our political leaders may recognise the sacredness of life, and defend the fundamental right of every human being to live, from the moment of conception until natural death;

*We pray to the Lord:*

For all pregnant women who are alone, afraid, and overwhelmed by the responsibility of motherhood: that they will receive the love and support they need to continue with their pregnancy;

*We pray to the Lord:*

For every child and especially for those who live in their mother's womb: that they might grow in the image and likeness of the God who made them;

*We pray to the Lord:*

That all children with disabilities will be loved and cared for in healthy and nurturing environments;

*We pray to the Lord:*

That all who have been involved in abortion may come to true repentance and seek God's merciful and healing love;

*We pray to the Lord:*

That the sick may find strength and courage in the cross of Christ and discover the redemptive value of their suffering;

*We pray to the Lord:*

That the elderly may cherish each moment of their lives, and experience the love and attention they need;

*We pray to the Lord:*

For those who care for the sick and elderly with gentleness and compassion: that they may see themselves as Apostles of Life;

*We pray to the Lord:*