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Dear Pastors, Youth Ministers and Generation Life Group Leaders,

For many years youth from all over the Archdiocese of St. Louis have been making the pilgrimage to Washington DC to participate in the National March for Life.

In January of 2013 pilgrims united under the banner of **Generation Life** and this coming January will mark not only the 50th anniversary of marching in opposition to the landmark Roe v. Wade decision, but also 10 years of “*young people proclaiming the gospel of Life*” with **Generation Life** from the Archdiocese of St. Louis. The Office of Youth Ministry would like to invite parishes and schools to once again consider joining us on pilgrimage this coming **January 18th-22nd, 2023**.

Please see the attached Quick Facts for information about the schedule, cost, and important upcoming dates. The 2023 pilgrimage will be limited to one ballroom with combined 8th grade and high school groups. **Registration will open on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 10:00am.**

Prior to registration, it is imperative that you read over the attached cancellation policy contained in the Quick Facts carefully. If your parish or school signs up to participate in this pilgrimage, the OYM commits to having a spot available for your group. This means putting down non-refundable money for buses, hotels, flights and speakers. Please collect the \$50.00 deposit from each participant prior to purchasing their spot and ensure that all parents and guardians are well aware that this money is non-refundable, even in the event of a cancellation of the event. After the drop date of December 1st 2022, groups will be responsible for the full price of each spot.

Thank you for all of the legwork that you have done and will continue to do so that young people may proclaim the Gospel of Life. If you have any logistical questions about the 2023 pilgrimage, please reach out to our Coordinator of Events, Melissa Boesch at melissaboesch@archstl.org.

Peace,

Amy Eschelbach
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