

VINE AND BRANCHES
September – October 2007

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Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats for emotional and spiritual healing after abortion are held internationally. Rachel's Vineyard welcomes women, men, couples, grandparents and abortion providers. Our retreats are held in both Catholic and Interdenominational settings. Rachel's Vineyard Ministries is a resource for clinical training, education, and healing models.

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Rachel's Vineyard Conferences in Ireland

By Kevin & Theresa Burke

Ireland is unique. The countryside, its castles, its shops and pubs have an atmosphere all their own; it is a land of music, legend and most of all conversation. This past summer, we visited the Benedictine Monastery where Rachel's Vineyard retreats in Ireland are held, overlooking the breathtaking waters of Cobh, pronounced Cove. This majestic mountain faces the port, formerly known as Queenstown, where all Irish immigrants departed their country fleeing the cruelty of starvation. They demonstrated so much tenacity and willingness to brave the unknown to build a new life with hope for the future. So much of America's heritage has blossomed because of immigrants who sailed the ocean blue, who were willing to work hard and face numerous challenges as they created communities. Our voyage to Ireland captured feelings rooted in our own national heritage with deep longings for the motherland since we are both the grandchildren of Irish immigrants. But so much more than that, it captured the magic of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries!

We had an incredible 3-day training in Cork, Ireland. Close to 200 people attended including team members, counselors, and many beautiful hearts eager to learn and help. Rachel's Vineyard teams traveled from England, Malta, France, Italy, Gibraltar, Scotland, South Korea and Nigeria! We were also blessed by the presence of Mother Teresa's nuns. Our clergy training drew 25 priests and clergy from across Ireland and England, many of them young servants who remained engaged and enlightened throughout the day. Powerful witnesses were presented by both past retreatants and clergy that serve in the ministry.

Fr. Lawrence Kettle who has been influential in getting the Korean translation of Rachel's Vineyard traveled with translator Basa Choi all the way from South Korea! We also met Anne Helene O'Malley, who spearheaded and completed the translation of Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Manual for France. As they say in Ireland, "t'was just lovely" to be with so many incredible people! The spirit of joy, enthusiasm and the desire to serve Christ were so powerful! We were grateful to Bernadette Goulding, Fr. Pat Scanlon, Fr. Joe, Duncan, Dermatt, and all those who are embracing and assisting this ministry and empowering it to spread across Ireland and beyond.

Catherine Cronin, a fabulous Step Dancer, brought in a family of traditional Irish Musicians. They taught us Irish dancing -- breaking it down into manageable steps so that all of us, including the dance challenged, could actually get out there and step it up. Like our National Leadership Conference in Malvern, we were privileged to witness the great joy and laughter of God's wonderful servants in the vineyard and the fruit of God's hand on this ministry. After we witnessed the RV team from Belfast perform an entertaining and impromptu dance routine, I knew beyond a shadow of doubt that Rachel's Vineyard was in good hands... and outstanding feet up in Northern Ireland!

As a special gift, among a grand showering of presents and affection, as a surprise, they rented a bus and a group of us traveled north to visit the Shrine of our Lady of Knock. There we prayed for all of you who support our work, who offer your time and talents, especially Martha Shuping MD, who planted the first seeds in Ireland by going to facilitate their first retreats, and for all those who have been through Rachel's Vineyard, asking the Mother of our Savior to bless our ministry, both Catholic and Interdenominational retreat teams who so faithfully serve her Son Jesus.

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Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation.
Elton Trueblood
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Ministry Spotlight – Bernadette Goulding
Basilica at Knock, Ireland.

Bernadette Goulding is the Rachel's Vineyard Coordinator for Ireland and the United Kingdom. Bernadette has a deep trust and faith in Jesus, and many gifts and talents that make her a valuable leader in the Lord's Vineyard. Bernadette has been working closely with our New Retreat Site Coordinator Michelle Krystofik bearing much fruit as the Rachel's Vineyard Retreats continue to grow in Ireland, Northern Ireland, England and now beyond to France, Spain, Gibraltar, and Malta. Bernadette has also presented her story and information on post-abortion trauma to the European Parliament.

On August 24th 2007 Bernadette was honored to speak at the Basilica in Knock, Ireland. Knock, located in County Mayo, is Ireland's National Marian Shrine. The original church in Knock was

completed and dedicated to St. John the Baptist in 1830. An inscription placed on its west wall reads:

"My house shall be called the house of prayer to all nations." This epithet turned out to truly be a prophetic inscription.

At about 8 o'clock on the memorable evening of Thursday August 21st, 1879, Our Lady, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist appeared at the south gable of the church at Knock. Beside them was an altar with a cross and the figure of a lamb. Fifteen people saw the Apparition, young and old, who watched it for two hours in the pouring rain as they recited the Rosary.

Poverty and hopelessness were the lot of the people of the West of Ireland, at the time when Mary the Mother of God came from Heaven, to console and strengthen her children. People were being evicted from their homes because they could not pay their rent. In 1879 the fields were blighted by disease and the crops were destroyed.

Most Reverend Dr. John MacHale, Archbishop of the diocese, only six weeks after the Apparition set up a Commission of Inquiry which reported that the "testimony of all taken as a whole, was trustworthy and satisfactory".

Pope John Paul II traveled to Knock as a humble pilgrim on September 30, 1979 where half a million people greeted him. John Paul presented a Golden Rose to the shrine. With this gift, the Church set the seal on Knock for all time, and placed it among the greatest Marian shrines in the world.

Monsignor O'Callaghan who opened the Seminar at Knock wrote this about Rachel's Vineyard:

"The amazing expansion of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries reminds one of the Gospel parable of the Mustard Seed as metaphor for the Kingdom. Tiny as that seed is it grows over time to become a tree on which birds come to nest and roost. The hand of the Lord has been certainly at work. From small beginnings, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries quickly came to reveal the millions of women and their families traumatized by the experience of abortion, a dark secret locked in many hearts for many years."

Below you can read an excerpt from the speech Bernadette Goulding gave in this holy place last month:

"As I looked at the apparition scene, I remembered a few lines of a poem:

"The Famine Spectre".

*Tis around us and about us,
Tis with us everywhere,
We can feel its dark wings beating
Tho' we see it not nor hear it,
It is there - we know it - still,
The famine spectre waiting
And seeking whom to Kill.*

(Anon. Published in "The Cork Examiner" on Saturday February 28th 1880.)

“Mary came to Knock to feed her hungry children, and to give them a "New Hope.” I think of the poverty that prevailed in Ireland when our Lady came to give Hope to our people.

Today we have a more destructive blight that kills the soul, the blight of sin and indifference. We are now experiencing a different kind of poverty in Ireland. Ireland is now in the throes of another famine, a famine of the word of God, of God's Truth.

I am now going to speak the truth about abortion. My message is one of hope to the women and men wounded by abortion. At Rachel's Vineyard those who are blighted in spirit, because of their participation in abortion are restored to a new life, and a new relationship with God and are given a "New Hope".

I am so grateful that God has used such a tragedy as my abortion to bring me to Him. God can make miracles out of our mistakes:

We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who have been called according to his decree. (Rom. 8: 28)

Through my own experience of suffering and forgiveness, I can now reach out to other women and men who have been hurt by abortion. Those who campaign for abortion to be legalized in Ireland today, often mislead people by alluding to a false concept of compassion that has no reference to Truth.

Truth without compassion leads to harsh authoritarianism. Compassion without Truth leads to permissive anarchy.

It was the Truth that set me free, and it was the compassion of others that removed my shame. Rachel's Vineyard allowed me to grieve the loss of my child, and gave me a profound experience of the great mercy of Jesus, the Divine Physician, who heals the deepest wounds of our souls.

St Paul says:

"When I came to you brothers, I did not come with eloquence, or superior wisdom, as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and with much trembling. My message and my preaching were not with persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on wisdom, but on God's power." (1 Cor. 2 1-5)

When God forgives he forgets, and we find it very hard to accept that God has forgiven us for taking the lives of our children. An old Baptist Preacher "Corrie Ten Boom" had this to say:

"When God forgives he forgets, and he casts our sins out into the deepest ocean, gone and forgotten, and he puts a sign up on the shore "NO FISHING".

To read the rest of Bernadette's speech [Click here:](#)

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Start by doing what's necessary, then what's possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

St. Francis of Assisi

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A Note from our Pastoral Director

Dear Friends,

Today I just want to remind you of how each of you is remembered daily in the prayers and Masses of all the pastoral team of Priests for Life. The Priests for Life organization is greatly enriched by having Rachel's Vineyard as one of its ministries. After all, the ministry of reconciliation is at the heart of the priesthood.

Moreover, healing the wounds of abortion is a central activity of the pro-life movement. Advocacy for the unborn goes hand in hand with the compassionate healing of those who have had abortions. It can't be any other way. The love and compassion that inspires the invitation to healing likewise inspires the prophetic effort to unveil the evil that caused the wound. The gentleness shown to those on an RV retreat comes from the same inner strength that sustains a pro-life advocate speaking in a legislative assembly, or a protester standing on a public sidewalk holding a sign.

Love is indivisible, embracing *all* the victims of abortion, and inspiring a multitude of activities in the pro-life movement.

Our prayers embrace you all, as well as all your intentions and your families.

Sincerely,
Fr. Frank Pavone
National Pastoral Director, Rachel's Vineyard

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Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.
Martin Luther King Jr.

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National Fundraiser Kick Off! Save the Date on October 13, 2007!

Get ready for a great deal! Start your Christmas shopping. Buy a Macy's shopping pass for \$5.00 each and the proceeds from your sale will benefit Rachel's Vineyard Ministries.

Use your Macy's shopping pass at any Macy's nationwide for additional discounts on October 13, 2007 only. The discount entitles the bearer of the discount pass to exceptional savings on select merchandise specials.

For more information contact Joy Crimmins at crimmins@nfdc.net or Home: 717-993-5450, Cell: 717-578-2591, Work: 410-628-1330.

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Attention All Coffee Lovers!

When you buy Esther's Coffee online and use the coupon code "RACHEL" you can help support Rachel's Vineyard.

The coupon code "RACHEL" has been established in the Esther's coffee shopping cart at <http://shop.esthers.us/>. When a customer uses this code, 5% of their purchase price is discounted and goes to Rachel's Vineyard.

For more information contact Keith Miklas at 732-233-4559 or visit the website at <http://www.esthers.us> and <http://www.overus.org>.

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I keep my ideals, because in spite of everything I still believe that people are really good at heart.
Anne Frank
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Retreat for Healing Abuse

The next **Grief to Grace – Reclaiming the Gift of Sexual Dignity Retreat** will be held November 12-15, 2007. This will be the final pilot for the new retreat being launched for those who have suffered abuse. The retreat will be led by Dr. Theresa Burke at the St. Francis Spirituality Center in Aston, Pa.
Contact: info@griegtograce.org

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Please join us in prayer:

Please pray for Eugenia Hadley as she travels to Puerto Rico to facilitate the first Rachel's Vineyard Retreat September 21 –23. Eugenia will be training new team members to run " El Viñedo de Raquel." We pray that this tiny seed planted takes root and spreads throughout that country as a source of grace and healing.

We ask for special prayers for Sue Brazo in Indiana who has been fighting leukemia. We pray in union that her treatments are successful and that God's peace and love surround her always. We join together in prayer for all those who suffer from cancer, that God would restore them to health and complete recovery.

We pray with gratitude and thanksgiving for all those who labor in this ministry, for protection, for continued courage, for strength and grace.

We ask for prayers as we add the final touches to the new retreat for healing of sexual abuse – Grief to Grace. May God's perfect will be accomplished within this new venture.

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In this temple of God, in this divine dwelling place, God alone rejoices with the soul in the deepest silence. There is no reason for the intellect to stir or seek anything, for the Lord who created it wishes to give it repose here.
Teresa of Avila, "The Seventh Dwelling Place," The Interior Castle
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Upcoming Clinical Training and Speaking Engagements:

Sept. 19, 2007 **Catholic Answers Live radio program**
Time: 6:00 pm ET

Theresa Burke speaks on the topic “Are You Suffering from Post-Abortion Stress?”

Sept. 26, 2007

Melbourne, Australia Public Lecture

Time: 7:30 pm – Theresa will be presenting

Place: The Cardinal Knot Centre

383 Albert Street, East Melbourne

Contact: Anne Neville (03) 9870 7044

anne@opendoors.com.au

Sept. 27, 2007

Hobart, Australia Public Lecture

Time: 5:00 pm

Place: Murphy Room: Diocesan Office

35 Tower Road, New Town

Contact: Anne Sherston (03) 6229 8739

projectracheltas@smartchat.net.au

Sept. 29, 2007

Sydney, Australia Public Lecture

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Place: Chevalier Centre

1 Roma Avenue, Kensington

Contact: Louise Robards (02) 4232 4261

souldreamproductions@hotmail.com

Sept. 29 – 30, 2007

Sydney, Australia National Training Conference

Place: Chevalier Centre

1 Roma Avenue, Kensington, Sydney, NSW

Contact: Julie Kelly (02) 9440 7980

info@projectrachel.org.au

October 12, 2007

Tampa, Florida

Clinical Training Sponsored by Diocese of St. Petersburg

Contact: Emma Boe (813) 631-4370 ext. 222

eboe@ccdosp.org

October 17, 2007

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Clinical Training (Presented by Theresa & Kevin Burke)

Contact: Maggie Walsh, Director Project Rachel

Diocese of Grand Rapids

(616) 233-0081

projrach@iserv.net

October 18, 2007

New Boston, Michigan

“The Choices We Face” Television Show

October 26, 2007

Newark, New Jersey

Training for Newark Diocese

Kevin will be presenting with Msgr. Mike Mannion

November 2, 2007

Baltimore, Maryland (Friday Evening)

Regional Skill Building Clinic for Rachel's Vineyard Leadership in
Baltimore, Virginia, DC, Delaware, and Pennsylvania areas

- November 3, 2007** **Baltimore, Maryland**
Deacons Convocation
Contact: Linda M. Brenegan
Respect Life Program Director
Archdiocese of Baltimore
(410) 547-5537
Fax: (410) 625-8485
lbrenegan@archbalt.org
- November 3, 2007** **Baltimore, Maryland**
Maryland Unites for Life Conference
Contact: Angela Martin
700 Melvin Avenue Suite 1
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(410) 269-6397
Fax: (410) 263-9138
- November 4, 2007** **Tom's River, New Jersey**
9:00 Respect Life Communion Breakfast
Contact: Deacon Frank McKenna
fjnmckenna@aol.com
Kevin Burke will be presenting on men & abortion
- November 9, 2007** **Catholic Leadership Institute Awards Banquet**
Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania
The Drexelbrook 6:00-9:30 pm
Theresa is being honored at a dinner sponsored by CLI as a recipient of
one of the 2007 Awards for Outstanding Catholic Leadership.
Information: (610) 363-1315
- November 12-15** **Grief to Grace – Reclaiming the Gift of Sexual Dignity**
A retreat for those who have been abused led by Dr. Theresa Burke
St. Francis Spirituality Center, Aston, Pa.
Contact: info@griefftograce.org
- November 29, 2007** **Tulsa, Oklahoma**
Clergy Workshop
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Tulsa
Contact: Mary Lee Ingram (915) 585-8167 ext. 116
mlingram@catholiccharitiestulsa.org
- November 30, 2007** **Tulsa, Oklahoma**
Pregnancy Loss and Unresolved Grief Seminar
Sponsored by Saint Francis Health Systems and Catholic Charities
Contact: Theresa Valento (918) 494-1096 trvalento@saintfrancis.com
*** Continuing Education Credits Available

Keep posted for additional trainings in upcoming issues of Vine and Branches!

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Other Conferences of Interest:

Second World-Prayer Congress for Life, Poland

The Second World-Prayer Congress for Life will be held at the Sanctuary of the Divine Mercy in Cracow-Lagiewniki, Poland on October 11-14, 2007. The organizer is the Polish Association for the Protection of Human Life. A short program will be included relating the pro-life activities of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries. You can find more information about the event at www.cracow-pro-life-congress-2007.com.

Benefit for Gabriel Network – Silver Spring, Maryland

On Sunday, October 7, the Knights of Columbus Rosensteel Council will host a dinner to benefit Gabriel Network, a faith-based nonprofit pregnancy support network that provides practical, emotional, and spiritual assistance to women and families facing crisis pregnancies. The speaker will be Patrick F. Fagan, PhD, from the Heritage Foundation. He studies the impact of family life and religious practice on the key areas of social policy: health, mental health, education, crime and income. His topic will be, "Why religion matters even more." Contact Janet Baker - 301.208.9180, janetbaker01@comcast.net.

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But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.
Galatians 5:22-23

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Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats: September – November 2007

September 21-23, 2007 -- Fairfield County, Connecticut

Contact: [Clarissa Cincotta](mailto:Clarissa.Cincotta@rachel.org) 203 218 0291

September 21-23, 2007 -- Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Contact: [Stephanie Claudy](mailto:Stephanie.Claudy@rachel.org) 866 4 RACHEL

September 21-23, 2007 -- Sacramento, California

Contact: [Edie Sickman](mailto:Edie.Sickman@rachel.org) 916 733 0161

September 21-23, 2007 -- Dallas (Espanol), Texas

Contact: [Aurora](mailto:Aurora@rachel.org) 972 679 4760

September 21-23, 2007 -- Romeoville, Illinois

Local Host: Joliet Diocesan Life Office

Contact: [Kay Corcoran](mailto:Kay.Corcoran@rachel.org) 815 838 7171

September 21-23, 2007 -- Los Angeles, California

Contact: [Christine Lowe](mailto:Christine.Lowe@rachel.org) 866 2 RACHEL

Contact: [Rachel's Vineyard Los Angeles](http://www.rachel.org/losangeles)

September 21-23, 2007 -- Richmond, Virginia

Note: Interdenominational retreat

Contact: [Gordon and Deborah Frantzich](#) 540 775 5147

September 21-23, 2007 -- Wheeling, West Virginia

Contact: [Jackie Hamilton](#) 304 230 2229 ext 104

September 28-30, 2007 -- Linden, New Jersey

Contact: [Michelle Krystofik](#) 732 388 8211

September 28-30, 2007 -- Evansville, Indiana

Local Host: Diocese of Evansville

Contact: [Pam Robinson](#) 812 838 4707

September 28-30, 2007 -- Tulsa, Oklahoma

Contact: [Mary Lee](#) 918 585 8167 ext. 212

September 28-30, 2007 -- Ellensburg, Washington

Sponsor: Diocese of Yakima

Contact: [Nancy Murray](#) 509 554 9415

September 28-30, 2007 -- North Providence, Rhode Island

Local host: Rachel Vineyard Retreats of Southern New England

Contact: [Sheila Kuzmic](#) 401 348 8874

Contact: [Joan Pendergast](#) 401-861-2069

Contact: [Nicole Cunningham](#) 401-263-4442

September 28-30, 2007 -- Omaha/Lincoln, Nebraska

Contact: [Heather](#) 877-746-6689

September 28-30, 2007 -- Fort Worth, Texas

Note: Interdenominational

Contact: [Betsy Kopor](#) 817 923 4757

September 28-30, 2007 -- Knoxville, Tennessee

Contact: [Catherine McHugh](#) 865 694 4971

September 28-30, 2007 -- Lubbock, Texas

Contact: [Kathy Krile](#) 806 577 5912

September 28-30, 2007 -- Cork City, Ireland

Contact: [Bernadette](#) 087 859 2877

Contact: Dr. Rita O'Connor 061 468 570

Website: www.rachelsvineyard.ie

September 28-30, 2007 -- Charlotte, North Carolina

Local Host: Diocese of Charlotte

Contact: [Maggi Nadol](#) 704-370-3229 office or 704 231 2030 (cell)

October 5-7, 2007 -- Richmond, Virginia

Local Host: Post Abortion Healing Ministry, Epiphany Catholic Church

Contact: [Kay Marie Geiger](#) 804 330 3137

October 5-7, 2007 – Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota

Contact: [Debbi Stocco](#) 952 928 1697 or 651 206 8926 (cell)

Note: Interdenominational - To register [click](#)

October 5-7, 2007 -- Trenton, New Jersey

Contact: [Judy Warenkiewicz](#) 732 536 6871

October 5-7, 2007 -- Rapid City, South Dakota

Local host: Family Life Ministries, Diocese of Rapid City

Contact: [Carol Kling](#) 605 374 5639

October 5-7, 2007 -- Ada, Oklahoma

Contact: [Rachel Miller](#) 580 332 4199

Note: Interdenominational retreat

October 5-7, 2007 -- Jacksonville/St. Augustine, Florida

Contact: [Donna Augustine](#) 904 221 3232

October 5-7, 2007 -- Santa Rosa/St. Helena

Contact: [Valerie Johnson Fish](#) 707 967 1101

October 12-14, 2007 -- Peoria, Illinois

Local Host: King's House Retreat Center in Henry, IL

Contact: [Colleen Harmon](#) 815 303 1184

Contact: [Jeanne Whalen](#) 309 671 1550 or 1 800 367 0702

October 12-14, 2007 -- Philadelphia Area, Pennsylvania

Contact: [Priscilla](#) 215-906-6337

Contact: [Geri Simboli](#) 610 399 0890

October 12-14, 2007 -- Helena, Montana

Local host: CSSM - [Rachel's Hope](#)

Diocese of Great Falls, Billings and Helena

Contact: [Susan Gliko](#) 888-456-4673

October 12-14, 2007 -- Cincinnati, Ohio/Northern Kentucky

Contact: [Peggy Feirstine](#) 513 588 0080

October 12-14, 2007 -- Madison, Wisconsin

Local Host: Diocese of Madison/Office of Justice & Pastoral Outreach

Contact: [Mary Mead](#) 608 221 9593

Contact: Emily Way 608 821 3086

October 12-14, 2007 -- Atlanta, Georgia

Contact: [Mary Ann McNeal](#) 404 896 6521

Contact: [Rachel's Vineyard Atlanta](#)

Website: [Healing After Abortion](#)

October 12-14, 2007 -- Birmingham/Cullman, Alabama

Contact: [Maria Kaczperski](#) 205-919-3288

Contact: [Maria Steele](#) 256-347-1569

October 19-21, 2007 -- Wichita, Kansas

Local host: Rachel's Vineyard of the Diocese of Wichita

Contact: [Tama Dutton](#) 316 269 4673 or 1-888-456-4673 (statewide only)

October 19-21, 2007 -- Kelowna, British Columbia

Contact: [Janet Kormish](#) 250 762 2273 or 877 683 CARE

October 19-21, 2007 -- Denver, Colorado

Contact: [Edith Gutierrez](#) 303 410-1710

Contact: [Diane Svoboda](#) 303 359 3289

October 19-21, 2007 -- Fairfield County (Espanol), Connecticut

Contact: [Rachel Torres O'Leary](#) 203 313-0101

October 19-21, 2007 -- Wilmington, North Carolina

Contact: Judy or Kathy 910 799 0270

Sponsor: HOPE a Ministry of Life Line Pregnancy Center

October 19-21, 2007 -- Portland, Maine

Contact: [Sandra Thompson](#) 207 879 1130 ext 770

Contact: Annette 207 879 1130 ext 771

Toll-free in Maine only: 800 CARE 002

October 19-21, 2007 -- Crookston, Minnesota

Contact: [Sherry](#) 701 520 1229

October 19-21, 2007 -- Steubenville, Ohio

Contact: [Sharon Maedke](#) 740-283-3636

October 19-21, 2007 -- Arlington, Virginia

Local host: Diocese of Arlington

Contact: [Myriam](#) 703 729 7998

(Bilingual: English & Spanish)

October 19-21, 2007 --New Orleans, Louisiana

Contact: [Melanie Baglow](#) 504 889 2431

Contact: [Nancy Rodrigue](#) 504 831-3125

October 26-28, 2007 -- Las Cruces, New Mexico

Contact: [Martha T. Beasley](#) 505-523-6923

October 26-28, 2007 -- Rockford, Illinois

Contact: [Catherine Rennert](#) 815 968 1157

Note: Interdenominational retreat

Location: Stronghold Retreat and Conference Center in Oregon, Illinois

October 26-28, 2007 -- London, England

Contact: [Susan Boyle](#) 020 7723 1740

October 26-28, 2007 -- Sonoma County, California

Local host: After the Choice, Diocese of Oakland

Contact: [Monika](#) 510 267 8335

October 26-28, 2007 -- Melbourne, Australia

Note: Interdenominational

Contact: [Anne Neville](#) 61 3 9870 7044

October 26-28, 2007 -- Long Island/Uniondale, New York

Contact: [Frank and Lorraine Gariboldi](#) 516 523 0586

October 26-28, 2007 -- Ladysmith (Northern Wisconsin)

Contact: [Mary Piper](#) 715-209-6387

October 26-28, 2007 -- Houston, Texas

Contact: [Traci](#) 713 379 3844

Contact: Dixine 281 286 7729 ext 10

October 26-28, 2007 -- Providence, Rhode Island

Local host: Life & Family Ministry, [Diocese of Providence](#)

Contact: [Kristin Caproni](#) 401 421 7833 ext 119

November 2-4, 2007 -- Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Contact: [Stephanie Claudy](#) 866 4 RACHEL

November 2-4, 2007 -- Litchfield, Connecticut

Local host: Archdiocese of Hartford

Contact: [Mary Hayden](#) 203 882 1326

November 2-4, 2007 -- Asheville, North Carolina

Contact: [Shelley Glanton](#) 828-670-8192 or 828-230-4940

November 2-4, 2007 -- Edmonton and Rural Area, Alberta, Canada

Contact: [Marlene Javorsky](#)

Contact: [Carla Houston](#) 780 963 4048

Note: Interdenominational retreat

November 2-4, 2007 -- Boise, Idaho

Contact: [Terry Lennox](#) 208-938-4976

November 2-4, 2007 -- Fresno, California

Contact: [Jennifer Butcher](#) 877 629 6626

November 9-11, 2007 -- Sydney, Australia

Contact: [Julie Kelly](#) 02 9440 7980

November 9-11, 2007 -- Washington DC Metro Area/Maryland

Note: Bilingual Spanish and English

Contact: [Eugenia Hadley](#) 301 237 6177

November 9-11, 2007 -- Chicago, Illinois

Contact: [Catherine Rennert](#) 815 968 1157

Contact: [Fr. William Lego](#) 708-648-9500

Location: Warrenville Cenacle

November 9-11, 2007 -- Mesa, Arizona

Local hosts: St. Timothy and St. Thomas the Apostle

Contact: [Karen](#) 480 329 6795

November 9-11, 2007 -- Portland, Oregon

Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186

November 9-11, 2007 -- Jacksonville/St. Augustine, Florida

Contact: [Donna Augustine](#) 904 221 3232

November 9-11, 2007 -- Longbranch, Washington

Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE

November 9-11, 2007 -- Elkton, Maryland

Contact: [Michele Heath](#) 443-350-6196

November 9-11, 2007 -- Las Vegas, Nevada

Note: Interdenominational retreat and Catholic

Contact: [Kathleen Miller](#) 702 737 1672

Contact: [Maria Vasquez](#) 702 283 8379 (Spanish)

November 9-11, 2007 -- Janesville, Wisconsin

Contact: [Cheryl Ryan](#) 608 755 9739 or 608 754 0309

Local host: [Pregnancy Helpline of Janesville](#)

Note: Interdenominational retreat

November 9-11, 2007 -- Corpus Christi, Texas

Contact: [Sharisse](#) 361-533-7455

Contact: [Fr. Tom Goodwin](#) 361 882 7912

November 9-11, 2007 -- El Paso, Texas

Contact: [Maria Acosta](#) 915 872 8405

Contact: [Cynthia Wynn](#) 806 793 1235

November 9-11, 2007 -- Los Angeles, California

Note: Spanish retreat

Contact: Marcela Figueroa de Alcala 877-2-Raquel

Claretian Renewal Center

November 16-18, 2007 -- Linden, New Jersey

Contact: [Michelle Krystofik](#) 732 388 8211

November 16-18, 2007 -- Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Contact: [Susan Lepak](#) 405 709 2707

November 16-18, 2007 -- Dallas (English), Texas

Contact: [Caryn Stevens](#) 214 544 2273

November 16-18, 2007 -- Ann Arbor/Lansing/Detroit Area, Michigan

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