

# Vine & Branches

*The Monthly e-newsletter of  
Rachel's Vineyard Ministries*

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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 former providers. Our retreats are held in both Catholic and Interdenominational settings. Rachel's Ministries is a resource for clinical training, education, and healing models.*

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## Saint Joseph and Post Abortive Fathers: The Journey from Shame to Redemption

By Kevin Burke

*...an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph with the command: "Get up, take the child and his mother and flee to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you otherwise. Herod is searching for the child to destroy him." Joseph got up and took the child and his mother and left that night for Egypt. (Matthew 2: 13-15)*

When you think about the Christmas season one of the iconic images that come to mind is the Christmas manger scene of the Holy Family featuring Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus. In Churches around the world we hear proclaimed once again of the great Angelic Annunciation to Mary, and the birth of Christ in Bethlehem. On January 2nd the Catholic Church celebrates the Epiphany of the Lord, the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles and the visit of the Wise Men to the infant Jesus.

For Father's who have participated in the abortion of their son or daughter, these great events of salvation history can serve to consciously and unconsciously connect them to some powerful emotions arising from their role in a previous abortion decision.

We know from Matthew's Gospel that St. Joseph was tempted to quietly divorce Mary during their engagement period when she announced that she was pregnant. However Joseph, being "an upright" man did not submit her to the letter of the law, which would have meant the death of Mary and her unborn child.

After the birth of Jesus we learn of the astrologers from the east who were tracking the coming of this great king in their study of the Heavens and travelled to Israel, with hopes to witness the coming of this great king. When Herod learned of their mission he became paranoid and jealous and set out to kill the baby Jesus to remove any possible threat to his throne.

We can imagine that Joseph did not want to leave his hometown and country, his business connections, family and friends...yet despite these sacrifices he listened to the warning of an angelic dream that informed him of the threat to Jesus and Mary from Herod. In obedience he travelled to Egypt where the Holy Family lived until it was safe to return.

These events clearly indicate the indispensable role of Joseph in Salvation History. If Joseph fails to fulfill his critical role to protect the Holy Family, Jesus would never have climbed Calvary with his cross, or rise in Glory from the tomb on Easter Sunday.

How might a man who has participated in abortion react to the experience of St Joseph?

- He may feel sadness and regret at his reaction to his partner's unplanned pregnancy and his role in the death of their child. He can look at St Joseph and feel a sense of shame, guilt and grief.
- He may have been against the abortion and tried to protect the child from death, but was unable to stop the procedure. He is filled with anger and resentment that he could not, like Joseph, prevent the death of his child.

We know that without healing, the vocation as husband, father and spiritual leader will be damaged and weakened. The Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend goes to the heart of Post Abortion grief. This healing process is particularly effective in helping men and women grieve their loss and reconcile.

With healing and forgiveness men are freed of the shame and guilt and can encounter St Joseph in a new way! They can now see St. Joseph as an inspiration and spiritual mentor for their vocation as fathers and husbands. Healed of shame and reconciled to God and their aborted children, post abortive fathers can fully embrace their vocation as spiritual leaders and defenders of the unborn in their families, Churches and communities.

Let's do all that we can to get the word out to Post Abortive Dads about the value and benefits of reconciliation and healing. Visit our Rachel's Vineyard YouTube page (<http://www.youtube.com/rachelsvineyard>) where you will find inspirational and educational short videos by Theresa and Kevin Burke, Fr Frank Pavone and others on post abortion suffering and healing for men and women. This can be a great way to introduce a post abortive father to some of the issues he may be facing in his life and the good news of healing.

A blessed New Year to you!

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## Rachel's Vineyard in Lebanon

By Brid Gemayel

In October 1986, I married my husband and I left our home in Ireland and moved to Lebanon to live in the Middle East. The adjustment was difficult due to the difference in language, culture and the insecure war environment. In February 1987 I received a phone call one night from a friend. She said "I have some bad news for you...it's the worst you can imagine." She had an abortion. There was a feeling of emptiness, like a vast chasm in time, that 'what was done was done' and there was no going back, there was no way to humanly salvage the past; this, with a feeling of disbelief at what had happened and how abortion had so easily entered, scarred and wounded the life of someone who was dear to my heart. I thought about her loss and the empty arms of my friend. Thankfully, she has since participated in a Rachel's Vineyard retreat where she received healing and peace.

During the years that followed, I met women in Lebanon who had abortions and who after many years, continued to secretly mourn the loss of their children. It came to my attention that abortions are frequently carried out in Lebanon's hospitals, often under the name of 'curettage' or a 'cleaning of the womb' or sometimes just xxx after a given name. Women are then left to suffer in silence with no one to console or help them. Back in Ireland there was a Capuchin Friar in my home town known as Fr. Laurence Kettle. It was through Fr. Laurence that I heard about Rachel's Vineyard and he would sometimes mention his friend Bernadette. I hoped that one day I should meet this wonderful lady.

It was during a holiday in Ireland in 2008, towards the end of my stay, that I decided to make a retreat before returning to my family in Lebanon. I discovered that there would be a weekend retreat with a prayer group from Monaghan which would take place in Knock, the Shrine of Our Lady of Ireland in Co. Mayo. The main speaker asked us to

introduce ourselves to the people around us. I had noticed a woman standing in front of me and thought there was something 'special' about her. Little did I know how special! She turned around, smiled and said "Hi, I'm Bernadette". Only when she was called up to the altar to speak did I realize that she was Bernadette Goulding from Rachel's Vineyard, the same Bernadette mentioned by Fr. Laurence! I was riveted and so deeply impressed over the weekend by her honesty and openness and love for God that I felt it was necessary for Bernadette to come over to Lebanon. The suffering women of Lebanon needed to hear her story in order to find healing from their abortions. I didn't know how it would happen but God would make a way if it was His will, and I was pretty sure Our Lady of Knock would put in a good word! On Sunday at the end of the retreat, I approached Bernadette and asked her if she would be interested in coming to Lebanon and to my delight she said 'Yes!' I took her contact numbers and after a couple of weeks I was back in the Middle East.

I prayed every day that the Lord would show me the path and way forward so that Bernadette could come over and bring Rachel's Vineyard to Lebanon. I decided then to wait on the Lord because His timing would be perfect. I continued to wait and pray, daily offering my intention at Mass and in our Rosary group for Rachel's Vineyard, while keeping in touch with Bernadette by e-mail. One day she wrote to me and said 'Brid, your prayers have been answered!' A Franciscan Friar of the Renewal, Br. Joseph had heard her speak and invited her to come to Lebanon! He arranged for Bernadette to visit with permission from Bishop Youssef Bechara who resides in my village and all of a sudden the pieces were fitting into place like a jigsaw puzzle.

Bernadette sent me all the particulars I needed to know concerning props and information about Rachel's Vineyard and the retreat.

One day I had a visit from my friend Fr. Albert Assaf. I explained Rachel's Vineyard to him and shared that the need for various props for the retreat, a priest's alb and Alleluia banner for the cross. He carefully took note of everything and said he would ask the help of the Sisters of the Visitation. Not only did Fr. Albert return with all the necessary items beautifully made, but he also attended a Rachel's Vineyard retreat and will now be facilitator of Rachel's Vineyard in Lebanon.

In July 2009, Bernadette arrived at last in Lebanon and conducted our first two Rachel's Vineyard retreats here. They were greatly blessed as the Lord's mercy embraced each one present and unfolded His mercy, healing and peace to wounded souls. The retreats were not without hardships as we suffered the summer heat and electricity cuts among other things but we soldiered on and through these retreats the Lord brought our Rachel's Vineyard team together.

By God's grace we hope to have a Rachel's Vineyard retreat in Lebanon this spring from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2011, feast of the Divine Mercy. I ask you please for your support in prayer. I see this wonderful healing ministry of Rachel's Vineyard as a calling to a new work of God's merciful love in Lebanon and in the Middle East. Praise his Holy Name!

*Brid Mary Gemayel is an Irish woman, married with 5 children and living in Lebanon in the Middle East.*

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"For I know the plans I have for you,' says the LORD. 'They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.'"

~Jeremiah 29:11

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## March for Life Events

The Annual March for Life in Washington, DC is quickly approaching. Fr. Frank Pavone, Theresa Burke and Kevin Burke will be holding a book signing at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday the 23rd from 3:30pm-5:30pm. To view the full schedule of events that you might be interested in [click here](#).

## Silent No More Awareness Campaign

The Silent No More Awareness Campaign will participate in the March for Life and share their testimonies in front of the US Supreme Court Building in Washington D.C. To register to share your testimony or hold an "I Regret My Abortion" or "I Regret Lost Fatherhood" sign, please contact Georgette Forney at 800-707-6635 or [georgette@silentnomoreawareness.org](mailto:georgette@silentnomoreawareness.org). If you cannot participate but wish to anonymously register your regret [click here](#).

## Rachel's Vineyard Prison Ministry

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries is constantly growing and improving to meet the needs of those who are searching for healing. We know that many women and men in the prison population have experienced at least one abortion. There are currently some Rachel's Vineyard teams who are reaching out to those in prison.

Due to the nature of a prison setting, some of the aspects of the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat have to be modified. Kathleen Miller of the Las Vegas, NV site has been part of an effort to reach out to those suffering from post abortion grief in prison.

"We have been doing a Rachel's Vineyard weekly seminar model in the women's prison here in Southern Nevada for four years now. We have one 15 week session each year, though we would like to do two. It took just over a year to get permission and get everyone background checked and approved. We take a team of 4 into the prison and try to make sure that at least two are Post Abortive," she shared.

She went on: "We had to modify the manual and the props are sparse, the first year we were able to do paper replicas of many items. One of our team members, Daisey Contin really stayed on top of things and made sure everyone had the proper clearance to get into the prison (and back out again!)"

Betsy Kopor of the Fort Worth, TX Rachel's Vineyard site has also been involved with post-abortive prison ministry. "We brought RV into the federal women's correctional facility several times. We used the RV Weekly manual, but we had to modify it in several ways."

It was certainly different than the retreat, but very powerful. I remember one young woman who came every week, cried throughout every meeting, but would not make a comment. At the last meeting, she was smiling, happy and thanked us for being there. Her only comment was at the last meeting, when she whispered to us, "I know where my babies are! God is healing my broken heart."

For those who are interested in this ministry Besty has a suggestion: "I'm sure you can work with the program to set up a plan that your prison facility will approve. It just takes a little creativity to create the desired effect without using any prohibited props." Besty also shares how prison ministry requirements differ depending on the type of facility. "In researching where else we could present the prison program, I found that every prison was different in what they would allow. A federal prison has more long term inmates, so they are likely to stay for your entire program. State prison is a bit less, and local or county facilities have the most turnover. The state and local also seemed to have more prohibitions (at least here in TX). The federal was a little more open and less stringent in what we could do. "

"The women in prison really need it, and they can't come to us - we have to go to them."

*There will be a Prison Ministry workshop at our upcoming 2011 Rachel's Vineyard Leadership Conference.*

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## A Note from the Pastoral Director

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year!

The beginning of a new year can lead us to powerful reflections about our Rachel's Vineyard ministry. "Behold, I make all things new," the Lord says, and those words come true day after day for so many people making RV retreats.

The start of a new year, with our new calendars and getting used to writing "2011" instead of "2010," reminds us that as long as we live, God gives us the chance to start again. We don't pretend that the past didn't happen; rather, we decide that we will not be unnecessarily burdened by it.

On some New Year's Eves, my friends and I had "prayer parties," and during our prayer time before Midnight, we would pass around a calendar of the old year, and each person would tear part of it off, as a sign that what is past is past, and we are leaving it there. Then, after Midnight, we would pass around a calendar of the new year, and as each person handed it to the other, (s)he said, "Live this year in holiness and peace."

So, my friends, I say the same to you today. Take this fresh New Year and write a new story! Let the Lord make all things new!

Blessings,  
Fr. Frank Pavone  
Pastoral Director and Chairman, Rachel's Vineyard  
National Director, Priests for Life  
Follow me at [twitter.com/frfrankpavone](https://twitter.com/frfrankpavone)

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"The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul."

~G. K. Chesterton

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## A New Years Appeal

New Years is a time that many feel a strong desire for change, conversion and healing. You can help make someone's New Years resolution for healing become a reality by donating to Rachel's Vineyard this year.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries is a non-profit organization. We are able to minister to those hurting after abortion through your contributions and prayers. We offer thanks and gratitude for all those who have supported Rachel's Vineyard this past year.

Here's how to make a donation:

Online: [www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate](http://www.RachelsVineyard.org/donate)

By Phone: 610-354-0555

By Mail: P.O. Box 140130 Staten Island, NY 10314

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## Let Your Light Shine: Getting the Word Out About Your Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Thanks to Janet Kormish of the Kelowna British Columbia Canada RV Retreat Site for Sharing These Valuable Insights!

**1.** Word of mouth seems to be the primary way people find out about the retreat (through RV alumni), and we must encourage our former retreatants to do this.

2. Giving talks throughout the diocese is helpful.
3. We plan to have a series of weekly sessions in one of our local churches beginning in January using the DVD "Abortion and Unresolved Grief" [[click here](#) for more information] with Kevin & Theresa Burke and Father Frank. We will be advertising these sessions and hope to reach people who may not have heard about RV.
4. It would be most helpful for priests to speak about RV from the pulpit, although it is difficult to find priests who are willing to do that.
5. Pregnancy Care Centers need to know about RV. We have given talks to PCC volunteers in the past, and several have attended the retreat. The director of our local PCC makes it mandatory for volunteers who are post abortive to receive healing from their abortion experiences before they can volunteer their services to that organization.
6. Brochures: A couple, ages 77 and 85 were among the fifteen participants who attended our October RV retreat. The 85 yr old husband found a brochure in the church and took it home and showed it to his wife. Neither one knew anything about RV before.
7. One of our RV counselors does counseling at local group homes for women recovering from drug and alcohol abuse. So far she has referred three women from the homes to RV. These women are now a voice for other women who reside in these recovery homes. As they share with others their own personal experiences of the healing power of Rachel's Vineyard we anticipate that many more women from these homes will attend our retreats in the future.
8. Each month we send the Rachel Quotes to all the parishes in our diocese. Although, some of the parishes will not publish them, many do. These are very effective in inviting people who have had an abortion experience to call into the RV line. Let us pray that God will provide the ways and means for all those who suffer as a result of an abortion to find the healing they so desperately need.

Remember that we are His hands, His feet, His voice, His body. It is up to us to be an encourager to others needing healing. Whenever we have the opportunity to speak about Rachel's Vineyard, let us do so with passion and conviction.

Blessings,  
Janet

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## Rachel's Vineyard Leadership Conference 2011-Save the Dates

The next Rachel's Vineyard Leadership Conference will take place July 18th-21st, 2011 in Malvern, PA. Mark your calendars now and save the dates for an educational and inspirational gathering that you won't want to miss! We are moving into high gear in the planning of our conference. If you'd like to suggest any topics that would be helpful to your ministry, please email Kelly Smith at [kelly@rachelvineyard.org](mailto:kelly@rachelvineyard.org) We are doing our very best to provide speakers and workshops that will be targeted to your needs.

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"For last year's words belong to last year's language. And next year's words await another voice. And to make an end is to make a beginning."  
~T.S. Eliot

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## Upcoming Events/Trainings

### **Shepherd of the Hills Church - Bechtelsville, PA Sunday, January 09, 2011**

Speaker: Kevin Burke, MSS

Kevin will be speaking at the 8am and 10:30am services and also to the Adult Sunday School class.

### **38th Annual March for Life- Washington D.C. Monday, January 24, 2011**

Kevin and Theresa Burke will be attending the March for Life.

## **AAPLOG Conference - Washington DC**

**Friday, January 28, 2011**

Speaker: Theresa Burke, PhD.

Contact: Visit their website for more information.

<http://www.aaplog.org/aaplog-january-educational-meeting/>

Details: Theresa will be a panelist for the topic of RU486.

## **Mount St. Mary's Seminary (CLOSED EVENT)**

**Thursday, February 03, 2011**

Speaker: Kevin Burke, MSS

Kevin is presenting to a theology class at the Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. He will covering the topic of men and abortion.

## **Pontifical Academy for Life Study Group - Rome Italy (CLOSED EVENT)**

**Friday, February 25, 2011**

Theresa Burke, PhD, has been invited to return for another meeting of the Pontifical Academy for Life's Study Group on Post-Abortion Syndrome: Ethical, Scientific and Pastoral Implications. This time Dr. Burke will be giving a lit review of post-abortion research.

## **Priests/Clergy Enrichment Day - Newark NJ**

**Friday, March 25, 2011**

Speaker(s): Kevin Burke, LSW

Theresa Burke, PhD

Contact info: Michelle Krystofik

732-388-8211

[arnewrespect@sjanj.net](mailto:arnewrespect@sjanj.net)

## **Clinical/Regional Training - Bismarck ND**

**Friday, April 01, 2011 -- Saturday, April 02, 2011**

Speaker: Theresa Burke, PhD

Contact info: Joyce McDowall

701-222-3035

[jmcdowall@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:jmcdowall@bismarckdiocese.com)

**Thursday, April 28, 2011 -- Thursday, April 28, 2011**

## **LifeLine of Berks County Banquet - Wyomissing, PA**

Speaker: Theresa Burke, PhD

Contact info: David Ross

[david@aigltd.com](mailto:david@aigltd.com)

## **Clinical Training - Patterson NJ**

**Friday, May 06, 2011**

Speaker(s): Kevin Burke, LSW

Theresa Burke, PhD

Contact info: Marie Ryan

[mryan@pattersondiocese.org](mailto:mryan@pattersondiocese.org)

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## **Grief to Grace-Healing the Wounds of Abuse**

Grief to Grace - Healing the Wounds of Abuse will be held in a number of different locations this year. If you or someone you love is suffering because of past abuse visit [www.griefftograce.org](http://www.griefftograce.org) . This new program was composed by Theresa and Kevin Burke, the founders of Rachel's Vineyard, to provide a psychological and spiritual healing journey for anyone impacted by sexual, physical, emotional abuse or neglect.

**Aston, Pennsylvania**

March 21-25, 2011

[info@griefftograce.org](mailto:info@griefftograce.org)

**Kelowna, British Columbia**

[G2GKelowna@shaw.ca](mailto:G2GKelowna@shaw.ca)

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## Rachel's Vineyard Social Networking

Click the links below to visit Rachel's Vineyard social networking sites. Join today and send to your friends and family!

Facebook Fan Page: [www.facebook.com/rachelsvineyard](http://www.facebook.com/rachelsvineyard)

Facebook Cause: [www.causes.com/rachelsvineyard](http://www.causes.com/rachelsvineyard)

Youtube: [www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard](http://www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard)

### New Educational Series

An Educational Series on the Psychological and Spiritual Impact of Abortion is now available through Rachel's Vineyard. The series is called Abortion Loss and Unresolved Grief.

The set includes a collection of professionally produced DVD's of many of our presentations that we use in our clinical and pastoral trainings including "Traumatic Reenactment," "PTSD," and "The Genesis of Abortion." A Course Guide has been developed to use with the DVD set that provides an outline of each talk to help facilitate discussion as well as a course syllabus and sample exams. It also includes suggested reading and discussion questions for each lesson. This set was made possible by a grant from Our Sunday Visitor.

Suggested Donation: \$60.00

[Click here](#) to order or for more information.

Here is some recent praise for the DVD from Lynda Munroe of the Ottawa, Canada site:

*"I've been meaning to pass on how our team has appreciated the Dvd's. We have viewed & discussed some as a team, & our prayer team has viewed the one giving an overview of the actual retreat which was excellent for those who had not participated in one. Also, our pastor viewed the Fr Pavone clergy ones. We intend to view a couple more with our team before our next retreat end of November. I highly recommend them."*

### Book Review-*To Begin Again*

Cortney Davis, APRN, is an "Expert" on our Ask the Experts webpage. Davis has written a captivating book, *To Begin Again*, which follows the inner struggle of a young doctor who chooses life. To find out more information on Cortney or the book, please visit her website at [www.cortneydavis.com](http://www.cortneydavis.com). The book is also available online at Amazon, Borders etc.

### Healing and Signature Ads for January

The Elliot Institute's "UnChoice" campaign has released Ads to be used in flyers, church bulletins etc. Its is suggested to use them in the month of January for the March for Life, but they can be used at any time. [Click here](#) to view the Ads.

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"A new year is unfolding-like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within."

~Unknown

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### United in Prayer

*We pray for the following intentions:*

For **Guido Fetta**, of the **Doylestown, PA** site that his health continues to improve as

prayers are poured out for him and his family.

*We pray in thanksgiving:*

For the new site in **Rotorua, New Zealand** and site leader **Catherine Gillies** and for the new site leader for the **Lisbon, Portugal** team, **Maria Jose Vilaca**. Please keep Maria and Catherine as well as their teams in your prayers as they labor in Rachel's Vineyard.

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## Other Conferences/Events of Interest

### **Rally with Alveda King for Civil Rights for the Unborn & Life Centers, NY, NY January 10, 2011, 7-9:30pm**

Join Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s niece, Alveda King, from Atlanta, GA and other prominent pro-life speakers on Monday, January 10th in the Inwood section of Manhattan.

We will address the Targeting of NYC's minority children for abortion, and the NY City Council's Planned Parenthood and NARAL inspired current legislative attack on our City's 23 Life Centers (12 of them operated by EMC FrontLine) citiwide.

Rev. Clenard Childress, of Montclair, NJ, Pastor Bill Devlin, Pastor Michel Faulkner and others will speak.

For more information, please see [www.savethelifecenters.com](http://www.savethelifecenters.com)

### **Life is a Gift Conference-Detroit, MI January 22, 2011, 8am-5pm**

This conference will bring together many aspects of what it means to be living witnesses of the Gospel of Life in our times. Why is Life a Gift? How are we living our Gift of Life? Please visit [www.aodonline.org/lifeisagift](http://www.aodonline.org/lifeisagift) or call (313) 237-4691 for registration and more information.

### **Louisiana Life March-Baton Rouge, LA January 22, 2011, 10am-12pm**

A powerful march from the Old State Capitol up to 4th Street to the current State Capitol.

Please visit [www.LALifeMarch.com](http://www.LALifeMarch.com) or call 1-866-463-5433 for more information.

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## Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

### **January 7 - January 9, 2011 -- Baltimore, Maryland**

Contact: Denise Douglas 410-625-8491 [projectrachel@archbalt.org](mailto:projectrachel@archbalt.org)

Contact: Deacon Frank Zeiler 410-299-9597

Website: [www.project-rachel.net](http://www.project-rachel.net)

### **January 7 - January 9, 2011 -- Houston (Interdenom), Texas**

Contact: Stephanie Walker 713-690-2210 [steph@gulfcoasthealing.org](mailto:steph@gulfcoasthealing.org)

Contact: Apri 281-236-8719 [april@gulfcoasthealing.org](mailto:april@gulfcoasthealing.org)

Website: [www.GulfCoastHealing.org](http://www.GulfCoastHealing.org)

### **January 7 - January 9, 2011 -- Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota**

Contact: Nancy Blom 612-508-2184 [rvr-nancy@usfamily.net](mailto:rvr-nancy@usfamily.net)

### **January 14 - January 16, 2011 -- Fort Hood / Killeen, Texas**

Local Host: Hope Pregnancy Centers, Inc

Contact: Amy Casto 254-289-1595 [abortionrecovery@hopepc.com](mailto:abortionrecovery@hopepc.com)

Note: Interdenom

**January 14 - January 16, 2011 -- Linden, New Jersey**

Local Host: Archdiocese of Newark

Contact: Michelle Krystofik 732-388-8211 arnewrespect@sjanj.net

**January 14 - January 16, 2011 -- Rotorua, New Zealand**

Contact: Catherine Gillies 06-867-7335 catherine@gilliesbiz.co.nz

Contact: Dawn de Witt 021-0212-8255

**January 14 - January 16, 2011 -- Williamsburg, Virginia**

Contact: Linda Riva 757-887-3144 lindajr2@yahoo.com

Retreat Location: Smithfield

Note: Hampton Roads/Virginia Beach Areas

**January 21 - January 23, 2011 -- Fort Worth, Texas**

Contact: Betsy Kopor 817-923-4757 forgiven@racheltx.org

Contact: Macaria (espanol) 817-886-4760 misericordia@racheltx.org

Website: www.racheltx.org

**January 21 - January 23, 2011 -- Santa Rosa/St. Helena, California**

Contact: Valerie Johnson Fish 707-967-1101 rachelsvineyard@gmail.com

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**January 28 - January 30, 2011 -- Fairfield County, Connecticut**

Local Host: Diocese of Bridgeport

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Website: www.rachelsvineyardbpt.com

**January 28 - January 30, 2011 -- Phoenix (Español), Arizona**

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Contact: Carmen Portela 602-354-2031 cportela@diocesephoenix.org

Note: Español

**February 4 - February 6, 2011 -- Dallas (Español), Texas**

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Note: Español

**February 4 - February 6, 2011 -- Fresno, California**

Contact: Jennifer Butcher 877-629-6626 butcher\_jennifer@yahoo.com

Contact: Rosalinda Gutierrez - Español 888-686-8537 rosgonz20@aol.com

**February 11 - February 13, 2011 -- Joliet / Romeoville, Illinois**

Local Host: Joliet Diocesan Life Office

Contact: Kay 866-994-GIVE corcoran-family@sbcglobal.net

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Baltimore, Maryland**

Contact: Denise Douglas 410-625-8491 projectrachel@archbalt.org

Contact: Deacon Frank Zeiler 410-299-9597

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Bowling Green/Owensboro, Kentucky**

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Website: www.hopeafterabortionky.com

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Lake Charles, Louisiana**

Contact: Marjorie Long 337-439-7400 ext 317 rachels.vineyard@lcdioocese.org

Contact: Kathy Owen 337-439-7400 ext 317 rachels.vineyard@lcdioocese.org

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Longbranch, Washington**

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**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Miami (Español), Florida**

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Note: Spanish

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Palm Beach (Español), Florida**

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Retreat Location: Duncan Conference Center

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Peoria, Illinois**

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Retreat Location: Nazareth House in Henry, IL

**February 18 - February 20, 2011 -- Puglia, Piemonte Italy**

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Cache Creek, British Columbia Canada**

Local Host: Kamloops Diocese

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Cedar Falls, Iowa**

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Note: Catholic and Interdenom Retreats

**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Long Island/Brentwood, New York**

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Long Island/Brentwood (Español), New York**

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Medford, Oregon**

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- Miami, Florida**

Local Host: St. Kevin Catholic Church

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**February 25 - February 27, 2011 -- San Bernardino, California**

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