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27<sup>th</sup> International Week of Prayer and Fasting  
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## Coalition Announces the 27<sup>th</sup> International Week of Prayer and Fasting to Battle the Corruption and Division in our Families, the Church, our Country and the World

**Washington, D.C:** Today our Catholic faith and the world face unprecedented moral crises: abortion up until the moment of birth, civil unrest, the accelerating breakdown of marriage and family life, and a deepening scandal that has rocked the Church and shaken the faith of its members.

In response to these crises, an international coalition of Catholic organizations has mobilized for the **27<sup>th</sup> International Week of Prayer and Fasting from November 2-10, 2019**. The Coalition is uniting with **The Marians of the Immaculate Conception, Legion of Mary, Priests for Life, and many others** to pray and fast for:

- *the Conversions of all Peoples and Nations*
- *to Build a Culture of Life*
- *for all Priests, Vocations, and Holiness for the Members of the Church*
- *to Defend the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life*
- *for Peace and to Implore God's Mercy*

The Opening Day of the **27<sup>th</sup> International Week of Prayer and Fasting** will be held on **Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. This event is being held at the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM**. Registration is **FREE** online at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) where you can also register to pledge your prayers and fasting for the week's goals.

**Join us for a day of dynamic speakers, the Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, all day Confessions, and noon Mass.**

Confirmed speakers are:

- **Abby Johnson**, the former Planned Parenthood director whose story inspired the new movie and best-selling DVD ***Unplanned***
- **Fr. Chris Alar, M.I.C.**, Director of the Association of Marian Helpers and author of the new book, ***After Suicide: There's Hope for Them and You***
- **Kristan Hawkins**, President of Students for Life of America
- **Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga**, Rwandan healing priest, genocide survivor and author of the new book ***Forgiveness Makes You Free***.
- **Monsignor Charles Pope**, Pastor of Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian Parish in Washington, D.C. He is a popular blogger, speaker and author.

In the words of Coalition Chair Maureen Flynn, *"The current grave crisis in the Church and the world can only be fully remedied by Heaven's spiritual weapons of the Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, the Holy Rosary and Fasting. Our Lord, His Blessed Mother and the saints have told us that these spiritual weapons will destroy evil."*

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