

ONLINE

## Culture of Life (CL) Track

The purpose of this three-part series of workshops is to help those working in diocesan pro-life or family life offices, as well as parish coordinators, health care workers, and employees or volunteers serving pro-life apostolates (i.e. crisis pregnancy centers, legal advocacy groups, and post-abortion healing ministries).

The demanding skill set needed for effective pro-life ministry draws from fields as diverse as health care, politics, formal theology, bioethics, counseling, sociology, catechetics, law, life sciences, and policy history. This track address all these and more, delving into related aspects of fostering a culture of life: the nature of human liberty in Catholic social teaching, the feminine genius, the masculine genius, evolution, environmental stewardship, service to the poor, outreach to those addicted, depressed, or those discarded by society, and the critical importance of prayer and spiritual combat to oppose the pervasive culture of death.

*F*orming those who form others.



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## Foundational Culture of Life Certification – (12 hrs)

### KNOWING THE TRUTH

1. Introduction to Pro-Life Studies
2. The Reality of a Culture of Death
3. A Vision for Life: Catholic Teaching
4. The Spiritual Armory of Pro-Life Work

### UNDERSTANDING THE LANDSCAPE

5. Science: The Biology of the Gift of Life
6. History: Roots of a Culture of Death I
7. Policy: Abortion Politics
8. Strategy: Parish Pro-Life Work

### EVANGELIZING WITH HOPE AND JOY

9. Catechetics: Persuasion & Clarity
10. Outreach: Pro-Life Work Worldwide
11. Communication: Digital Age Realities
12. Leadership: Entrepreneurs for Life

## Advanced Culture of Life Certification – Part I (10 hrs + 2 electives)

### KNOWING THE TRUTH

1. The Human Person: God's Masterpiece
2. The Human Person in God's Loving Plan

### UNDERSTANDING THE LANDSCAPE

3. Science: Beginning of Life
4. History: Key Documents on Life Issues
5. Policy: Initiatives Opposed to Life
6. Strategy: Diocesan Pro-Life Work

### EVANGELIZING WITH HOPE AND JOY

7. Catechetics: God's Plan & God's Way
8. Outreach: Abortion Counseling I
9. Communication: Staying Personal
10. Leadership: Analysis of Failures

## Advanced Culture of Life Certification – Part II (10 hrs + 2 electives)

### KNOWING THE TRUTH

1. Bioethics & Semantics
2. Ethical Bioethics

### UNDERSTANDING THE LANDSCAPE

3. Science: End of Life
4. History: Relevant Social Movements
5. Policy: Local & State Successes
6. Strategy: Other Forms of Effective Action

### EVANGELIZING WITH HOPE AND JOY

7. Catechetics: Parish Formation
8. Outreach: Abortion Counseling II
9. Communication: Clergy / Laity Unity
10. Leadership: Rethinking Approaches

Individuals taking this three-level certification are required to take a total of four electives from the lists below but would be allowed to take as many as they wish at no additional cost. All the workshops listed on this page will be available to take as enrichment by individuals in any other course or track.

### ELECTIVES: BIOETHICS

1. Artificial Conception
2. Contraceptive Methods I
3. Contraceptive Methods II
4. Abortion I
5. Abortion II
6. Sexually Transmitted Diseases
7. Euthanasia
8. Stem-Cell Research
9. Cloning & Chimeras
10. Eugenics
11. Vaccinations & Related Mandated Public Health Issues
12. Ordinary & Extraordinary Care & Life Extension

### ELECTIVES: PRO-LIFE WORK

1. Pro-Life Work: St. Mary's Patronage
2. Pro-Life Work: St. Joseph's Patronage
3. Roots of a Culture of Death II-VI
4. Preaching Pro-Life I
5. Preaching Pro-Life II
6. Giving an Anti-Abortion Witness
7. NFP Methodologies
8. Marriage in the Pro-Life Outreach
9. Theology of the Family
10. The Catholic Faith & Family Size
11. Adoption Ministries
12. Pro-Life Work with Disabled People
13. Crisis Pregnancy Centers
14. Maternity Ministries
15. Birth & Midwifery
16. End-of-Life Mercies
17. Relevant Pro-Life Legal Cases

18. Human Trafficking
19. Pro-Life Work in Other Cultures I
20. Pro-Life Work in Other Cultures II
21. Population Control
22. Post-Abortion Syndrome
23. Depression
24. Miscarriage
25. Relational Abuse
26. Homosexuality
27. Transgender Issues
28. Theology of the Body I
29. Theology of the Body II
30. Theology of the Body: Teaching Catholic Sexuality to Teens
31. Abortion Law
32. Abortion in Minority Communities
33. Catechesis for Persons with Physical or Developmental Disabilities
34. Catechesis & Inculturation for Diverse Communities
35. Preferential Option for the Poor
36. Poverty & Human Rights
37. Liberty & the Common Good
38. Liberty & Government
39. Liberty & Conscience
40. Liberty & Education

### ELECTIVES: SCIENCE & FAITH

1. Science & Faith Overview
2. Evolution & the Catholic Church
3. Cosmology & Humanity
4. Sentience & Humanity
5. The Environment & Humanity

### ELECTIVES: HEALTH CARE

1. Spiritual Dimensions of Health Care
2. Patient Rights in Health Care
3. Maternal Care
4. Geriatric & Palliative Care
5. Substance Abuser Care

### ELECTIVES: FEMININE GENIUS

1. St. John Paul II: *Mulieris Dignitatem*
2. The Universal Vocation to Mother
3. Feminine Spiritual Models
4. Counterfeit Forms of Femininity
5. Formation Work With Women
6. Formation Work With Teenage Girls

### ELECTIVES: MASCULINE GENIUS

1. St. John Paul II: *Redemptoris Custos*
2. The Universal Vocation to Father
3. Masculine Spiritual Models
4. Counterfeit Forms of Masculinity
5. Formation Work With Men
6. Formation Work With Teenage Boys