

## **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY 2011**

## Heavenly Father,

Help us to see that death and suffering are not the end.
Your Son defeated death and gave us the hope
of eternal life. Help us not to fear the moment
when You will call us home.

We pray that when confronted with suffering and dying, we may follow Your way of true love and mercy. May we always be ready to respond to those who are suffering with companionship, empathy and love.

We pray for health care professionals and policy makers, that they will uphold the unique dignity of every human person regardless of age, sickness or disability.

We humbly ask that You will be with us during our own times of suffering and at the hour of our death. Give us, we pray, the grace of a good death.

We pray that we might be witnesses to the gospel of life and transform our world with love.

Amen.

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