



RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I set you apart . . . (Jeremiah 1:5)

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**Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio leading a Helpers Prayer Vigil,
Jackson Heights, September 16, 2017**
(see more photos on page 7)

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

The passing of Bishop Daily and the passing of Mary Murray and Dottie Doyle (though the latter were relatively unknown) leave "empty spaces" in the minds and hearts of many, particularly in the Brooklyn Diocese. This issue of *Respect Life News* will focus on some of the memories they created.

There are many, many "warriors" in the Pro-Life struggle within our beloved nation who are willing to "stand up and be counted" despite the dominant, secular media culture in which they find themselves. That media has aided and abetted so much misinformation for such a long time, and it is difficult to counteract it. We know that the facts and the truth will win out, eventually. We continue to persevere in prayer and in witness.

Our Lady of Fatima promised a period of peace 100 years ago when she appeared numerous times to three shepherd children, two of whom are newly sainted and the third is counted among the Blessed.

Our Lady promised that Prayer and Penance for the many outrages committed by us against a loving Almighty God will bring about a period of peace.

We need to do what she asked for—we know that with Our Lady's intercession, Respect for All Life will be achieved. Peace will follow.

Florence Maloney, Editor

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45th Annual March for Life

Friday, January 19, 2018

See the official March for Life Web site:
<http://marchforlife.org/mfl-2018/>

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Memories of Most Rev. Thomas V. Daily, Bishop Emeritus of Brooklyn

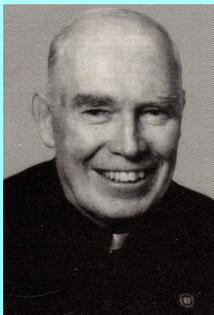


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A Pro-Life Champion

By Msgr. Philip J. Reilly,
Helpers of God's Precious Infants

Bishop Thomas Daily was installed as the sixth Bishop of the Brooklyn Diocese on February 20, 1990. He had previously been the founding Bishop of Palm Beach, Florida where he had prayed in front of abortion mills, becoming one of the first bishops in the United States to do so. Shortly after he was sent to Brooklyn he approached me asking "Are you the priest who prays in front of abortion clinics?" I replied that I was. This began a very fruitful relationship that lasted over twenty years until Bishop Daily was no longer physically capable of going to the abortion businesses.



In 1989 he became the first Bishop to lead a large prayer vigil when he accompanied the Helpers of God's Precious Infants to Choices abortion facility then located in Rego Park, Queens. In 1992 he concelebrated Mass and walked along with John Cardinal O'Connor (and many, many Helpers) at one of the largest prayer vigils in New York history. The clinic that was visited that day has since closed.

After retirement as Ordinary he could still be seen praying at All Women's Medical Pavilion in Forest Hills. On one occasion, a Spanish-speaking woman was looking to enter All Women's and our sidewalk counselors could not reach her due to their lack of understanding of Spanish. Bishop Daily, who was fluent in Spanish, got out of his car and spoke to the woman in the language she could understand. Her child's life was saved.

Bishop Daily was an upbeat and joyful man, while not disregarding the evil of abortion. He always used to say "Never underestimate the power of one Hail Mary". He believed in the power of prayer to lead to a conversion of heart. He will be missed by all of the Diocese of Brooklyn, but particularly by the Helpers of God's Precious Infants. ♦

Bishop Daily and the Rosary For Life

By Wyn Powers,
Foundress

Rosary For Life, Inc. was born in the Diocese of Brooklyn in 1991, a year and a half after Bishop Thomas V. Daily was appointed the Sixth Bishop of Brooklyn.

At the start of Rosary For Life, I contacted Bishop Daily for his blessing and prayerful support for our Apostolate.

His response was a beautiful letter saying that "The Power of one Hail Mary can change the world." His words were placed in our Rosary For Life book.

Bishop Daily also wrote, "The Rosary, especially prayed in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, is a most powerful means of spiritual grace. In all of our efforts to promote the sanctity of human life, prayer is our first and strongest resource."

Whenever I would meet him, his greeting was always, "How is the Rosary going?"

He was excited to hear that the Rosary For Life had spread to twenty-seven countries and was growing in leaps and bounds in the Philippines.

Bishop Daily was the Honorary Chairperson of Rosary For Life.

While we pray for the repose of his soul, let us pray to him that the so-called "Right" to abortion will be rejected and that the Sanctity of all Human Life from its natural beginning to its natural end will be protected in Law and in Life.

We have a great Advocate in Heaven.



My most impressive moment with Bishop Daily was quite a few years ago at a prayer vigil in front of an abortion clinic. After the rosary, he commented:

"...never stop praying; never underestimate the power of a Hail Mary."

I've never forgotten, not only what he said but the *fervor with which he said it*.

Jack Carroll

Bishop Daily (six years ago) would stop by at the All Women's Medical Pavilion, Austin Street, Forest Hills on a Saturday morning at 7 AM.

He was a delight, and his presence gave the witnesses of the Helpers of God's Precious Infants a wonderful spiritual uplift.

Madeleine Santangelo-Palumbo

The Pro-Life Bishop

**By Catherine Bala,
Director (former) of the
Office of Family Life and Respect Life**

Most of us have fond memories of Bishop Daily as a kind and gentle man, almost avuncular, with a hearty laugh who never stopped believing in the Red Sox. He was human, approachable, a great listener, and full of compassion for his people.



My relationship with Bishop Daily officially began in November of 1999 when he formally invited me to become the Director of the Office of Family Life for the Brooklyn Diocese. It was groundbreaking, in a way, as I was the first layperson and woman to assume that role.

After several months, the Respect Life Office was added to the Family Life Office, and Bishop Daily provided us with the resources we needed to minister to an ever-growing population of women and families facing crisis pregnancies. But perhaps the most significant aspect of our work was in raising awareness of their needs and creating networks to support them.

He encouraged Nights of Hope and Healing which offered spiritual support and comfort to women who had experienced abortions.

Soon the Public Policy Commission was established with training programs to help educate people on how to effectively lobby for laws to protect the unborn, and a

whole generation's conscience was formed about the sanctity of all human life.

Bishop Daily leaves a legacy of love and action that will be long remembered by the many people whose lives he touched.

May he rest in peace!♦

Fond Memories of Bishop Daly

**By Patricia Tabone
Immaculate Conception Parish,
Astoria**

I was blessed to serve as a teacher of Christian Doctrine at Immaculate Conception Church in Astoria, the church in which I received my first Holy Communion.



For twenty-five years I helped to prepare the children who were to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. After the Confirmation, there would be a celebratory post-Confirmation dinner. All who helped prepare the newly confirmed were invited to the dinner along with the Bishop, the Pastor, and the priests of the parish. The dinner was often served in the Convent of the Sisters of the Holy Union. They made all feel most welcome.

Over the years, I got to meet and dine with many of the Bishops who worked hard to serve the people of Brooklyn and Queens. Every one of them was special, and I felt blessed to meet each of them, but one always has a favorite. Mine was Bishop Daily, the "Pro-Life Bishop," because from the moment he became Bishop of Brooklyn, he spoke up for the innocent unborn.

Shortly after his installation, a reporter asked a question to which he responded by stating that the Governor of New York would not be welcome as a speaker in the Diocese's parishes because his position on abortion was at odds with Catholic teaching. Mario Cuomo was Governor at the time.

But Bishop Daily did more than speak up for the unborn. He led many Helpers of God's Precious Infants Vigils along with the Helper's Executive Director, Monsignor Philip J. Reilly.

I remember one particular Vigil that took place on a very cold day outside of Choices, then located in Long Island City, near St. Patrick's Church. After the Vigil, we were happy to get out of the cold and move to St. Patrick's Church and then to the auditorium. In the auditorium, imagine our surprise to find Bishop Daily, with sleeves rolled up, smiling, and already serving so many.

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I recall, too, that Bishop Daily and Monsignor Boccio were good friends who met regularly with Charlie's Angels, a group of women from the parish Respect Life Committee who attended the monthly Helpers' Vigils.

At a parish St. Patrick's Day party to which Bishop Daily was invited, the Bishop sang an Irish ditty he remembered from his childhood. He was humble, down to earth, and full of happiness.

Another happy memory, Bishop Daily confirmed our grandson, Nicholas, at St. Anastasia Parish, in Little Neck. Nicholas was part of a very large group being confirmed.

After the Mass at which Bishop Daily preached a wonderful homily, the Bishop stood and posed for photos with each and every child and spoke to each as if he/she were the only one who had been confirmed that day.

As I watched him, I remembered Psalm 69, "Zeal for your house consumes me." I will never forget this man who was zealous for the Lord, unafraid to speak the truth, and to witness for the innocent unborn. This, oh so human and oh so holy shepherd of the people of Brooklyn and Queens has gone to his reward. ♦

Two Extraordinary Helpers

**By Susan and Kevin Moore,
Helpers of God's Precious Infants**

The New York area pro-life movement, in general, and the Helpers of God's Precious Infants, in particular, lost two great friends with the passing of Mary Grace Murray in December of 2016 and Dorothy M. Doyle in March of 2017.



The pair had known each other since childhood and lived in the same house (once owned by Dorothy's parents.) Dorothy, or "Dottie" to her friends, and Mary were devout Catholics who followed the teachings of the Church's magisterium wholeheartedly. Their first experience with life issues came when they were taking care of their elderly parents, providing them with loving care and comfort, themselves, and not pushing them aside.

Later, they would take care of each other. Both Mary and Dottie were career ladies. Mary rising to become Vice President of a Wall Street firm and Dottie, secretary to the president of a major company.

They became involved with the Helpers of God's Precious Infants shortly after its foundation and began praying and sidewalk counseling at All Woman's Medical Pavilion, located on Austin Street in Forest Hills, in the early 1990s. On one occasion, Mary asked the incoming abortionist whether his mother knew what he was doing there. The doctor turned to

Mary, looked at her, and left the facility never to return.

They were also part of a pro-life group at their parish, Our Lady Queen of Angels, in Sunnyside. There they sponsored baby bottle collections, spiritual adoption of unborn babies, and numerous baby showers. In addition, they were Eucharistic ministers for that parish and for ailing Helpers in Queens, particularly for Susan's mother,

Frances Moore.

Their pro-life activism was not limited to prayer and activities at their home parish. They both served on the Board of the Helpers, Dottie as Secretary and Mary as Treasurer. From the early 1990s until the late 2000s on Saturdays, after everyone was finished praying at the various clinics, Monsignor Reilly would offer Mass followed by a lunch at St. Mary's of Winfield Parish where he had space in the basement of the church.

Mary and Dottie supervised the lunches for a good portion of that time. In fact, it was at one of those lunches that we met. Usually, once a year, Monsignor Reilly would invite all of the New York area Helpers to the Monastery of the Most Precious Blood where he resided for a "Day of Recollection" and fellowship. Again, Mary and Dorothy organized everything and usually paid for the refreshments.

They were instrumental in creating the *Helpers Prayer Book*, a three-hour Office of Prayer that Helpers use at

their worldwide local clinics. It has been translated into many languages.

They compiled three of Monsignor Reilly's talks and had them published as a book, which is known as "The Compendium" which has been distributed throughout the world.

They took care of all of Monsignor's many mailings: prayer books, rosaries, and pamphlets. They were regulars at the *March for Life* in Washington, D.C. until they could no longer attend due to advancing age.

Dottie Doyle and Mary Murray loved to travel, enjoyed a good meal with friends (of which they had very many), and loved life. They lived their lives with Christian joy. They were especially fond of their cats, two of whom they adopted when the cats were thrown over the Monastery wall some years ago.

They both died at the age of 92 proving that, contrary to Billy Joel, not only the good die young. ♦



The authors would like to thank Ms. Eileen Moore for her contributions to this article.

A Very Special Event

By Florence Maloney,
St. Josaphat Parish

On Saturday, May 20, Marion Higgins and I attended a Mass celebrated by Father James Devine at the Msgr. William F. Burke/Rockaway Council No. 2672 of the Knights of Columbus, at Rockaway Beach.

The Mass was offered especially for the miracle of the return of The Right To Life Monument To The Unborn which had been stolen from the council grounds in October 2016. It was found in January of this year along the Jamaica Bay shoreline. Eventually it was restored to its old home.

And it is a very special story indeed—a real miracle. Even some swans had a part in this extraordinary event!

It was good to see Ed Wilkinson, of *The Tablet*; and John Picciochi and Phil McManus, of the K of C, at this well-attended gathering.

Details are given in the following articles:

"Miracles Do Happen: Knights to Commemorate a Monument Thought to be Lost," *The Wave*, April 14, 2017. <https://www.rockawave.com/articles/miracles-do-happen/>



Members of the Msgr. Burke Council with the monument they fished out of Jamaica Bay.

"Life Memorial Found Becomes the Miracle on Beach 88th St.," by Ed Wilkinson. *The Tablet*, April 26, 2017.

<https://thetablet.org/life-memorial-found-becomes-the-miracle-on-beach-88th-st/>

"Life Monument Rededicated," *The Tablet*, May 24, 2017.

<https://thetablet.org/life-monument-rededicated/>

Photo Courtesy of Ed Wilkinson

Fr. Vincent Capodanno, MM



Father Vincent Capodanno, MM, served as a Chaplain during the Vietnam War. His heroic actions were reenacted during a 90-minute film on EWTN which aired on August 30. You can order a DVD at:

http://www.ewtnreligiouscatalogue.com/shop.axd/ProductDetails?edp_no=34411

Father Capodanno epitomizes the meaning and value of all life. He was there for the young men in his charge and provided them with a support that only a priest can provide.

See also articles in *Salute*, Summer 2017, at:

<https://issuu.com/militaryarchdiocese/docs/salute-summer2017>

- "Witnessing Reactions to His Story: A Touch of Grace," George J. Phillips, Chairman of the Board, Father Capodanno Guild, pages 30-32.
- "An Extraordinary Person, Who Did Extraordinary Things in Extraordinary Situations," by Monsignor Frank A. Pugliese, Episcopal Delegate of the Cause, pages 33-34.
- "Archbishop Broglio Closes Archdiocesan Phase of Cause of Father Vincent Capodanno," by Taylor Henry, pages 35-37.



**Breaking News:
Assisted Suicide Decision**

“The New York Court of Appeals released its decision today in the case of Myers v. Schneiderman, in which the plaintiffs sought to establish a ‘right’ to physician-assisted suicide under the Constitution of the State of New York. In a unanimous 5-0 decision, the Court of Appeals rejected the claims of the plaintiffs, affirming that New York State’s existing laws against physician-assisted suicide are Constitutional.” (September 7, 2017)

Excerpted from
the New York State Right to Life Web site,
<http://www.nysrighttolife.org/>

For more information see also:

Euthanasia Prevention Coalition,
<http://www.epcc.ca/>

Wesley Smith’s commentary, “New York High Court Says There is No Right to Assisted Suicide (September 7, 2017),
<http://alexschadenberg.blogspot.ca/2017/09/new-york-high-court-says-there-is-no.html>

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<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action>

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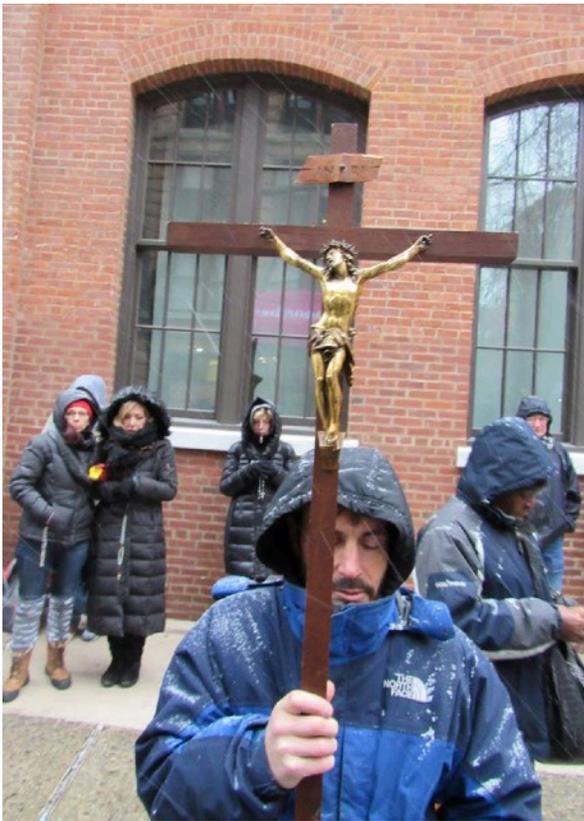


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Helpers Prayer Vigil, Bleecker St., Manhattan, 2017



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*Prayer Vigil, Midtown Manhattan,
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The Mass is celebrated on the **second** Monday of each month, at 7:00 PM.

St. Matthias Rectory
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 Phone: 718-821-6447

For directions see:
<http://www.stmatthiaschurch.net>

(Thank you to **Tom Kearns** for faithfulness in arranging for this Mass and for perseverance in prayer.
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HELPERS OF GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS PRAYER VIGILS

Mass begins at 7:30 AM and is followed by a march to a nearby abortion facility where the Rosary is recited. Attendees may also remain in the church in prayerful adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Your prayers will change hearts.

Sat., Oct. 28, 2017, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

88-19 Parsons Blvd., Jamaica, 718-739-0241

Sat., Nov. 18, 2017, St. John Vianney

140-10 34th Ave., Flushing, 718-762-7920

Sat., Dec. 16, 2017, St. James Cathedral

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Choices, 147-32 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica. Contact John Foley, 718-266-0003.

All Women's Medical Pavilion, 120-34 Queens Blvd, Kew Gardens. Sat., 9:00 - 11:30 AM.

For more information see www.helpersny.org or e-mail: helpers@helpersbrooklynny.org

Visit the [Helpers Facebook](#) page.

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<http://www.sistersoflife.org/visitation-mission-pregnancy-help>

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