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## Archbishop Carlson and St. Louis Youth Will March for Life on Saturday in St. Louis

St. Louisans unable to travel to Washington will have local opportunities for public pro-life witness

**ST. LOUIS** - Archbishop Robert Carlson and the Office of Youth Ministry of the Archdiocese of St. Louis will hold a special pro-life event on Saturday, January 23, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis (443 I Lindell). The event is intended for the youth who were unable to make the trip to Washington, D.C. after the Generation Life pilgrimage was cancelled due to impending severe weather in our nation's capital.

The event will begin at 2:30 p.m. with programming and music. Archbishop Robert Carlson will then lead a Rosary procession to Planned Parenthood. The event will conclude with a pro-life Mass celebrated by the archbishop at the Cathedral Basilica at 5 p.m. At approximately 4:30 p.m. the attendees will gather on the front steps of the Cathedral for a group photo.

"Even though we are disheartened that we could not march in D.C. this year, Archbishop Carlson and the Office of Youth Ministry invite our youth to pray and march with us this Saturday," said Tom Lancia, director of the Office of Youth Ministry. "Archbishop Carlson was really looking forward to spending time with the youth this weekend and in light of the recent changes we wanted to make it a priority to have an event in St. Louis. We couldn't March in D.C., but we will march in STL."

Other local events that have been planned include *Pro-Life Holy Hour of Prayer* for young adults, tonight, Thursday, January 21, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica and a special youth Mass tonight at 7 p.m. at Assumption Parish in Mattese (4725 Mattis Rd, 63128).

More information about Generation Life can be found at genlifest1365.com.

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