

April 9 Prayer Vigil for Clemency for Brian Dorsey

On Tuesday evening April 9, Brian Dorsey, who is currently on death row in Missouri, is scheduled to be executed in Bonne Terre.

To live out our Catholic values of human dignity and respect for life from conception through natural death, the Archdiocese of St. Louis is participating in an ecumenical prayer vigil in Bonne Terre to ask for clemency for Brian Dorsey. A bus will be leaving at 4 p.m. from the Cardinal Rigali Center (20 Archbishop May Dr., St. Louis, MO 63119) to head to the prayer vigil. It is free and all are invited. Anyone who wishes to ride the bus should RSVP to jamielabelle@archstl.org

Per the Catholic Mobilizing Network regarding his case, Brian's "clemency application [to Governor Mike Parson] includes support letters from over 70 corrections officers, former warden Troy Steele, many family and friends, and even relatives of his victims. Several jury members who sentenced Mr. Dorsey to death have said that they would have made a different recommendation had they known what they know now."

- To learn more about Brian Dorsey's case, including how to sign the petition asking for clemency, visit online at: <https://catholicmobilizing.org/action/2024-03/stop-execution-brian-dorsey>
- To learn more about the Catholic teaching on the death penalty, listen to the Missouri Catholic Conference podcast, "Catholic Teaching on the Death Penalty." <https://mocatholic.org/podcasts/>