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WHAT | Holy Hour and overnight devotional prayer

WHEN | Thursday, Jan. 19 from 7pm-8pm and 8pm-7am the next morning

WHERE | Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains: 325 W. 8th St., Cincinnati OH

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Cincinnati taking part in National Prayer Vigil for Life

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr will lead the faithful in an hour of prayer on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023, from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati. The hour of prayer, known as a Holy Hour, will include the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament along with the Rosary, Evening Prayer and Benediction. Following the Holy Hour, worshippers will remain in prayer throughout the night at the cathedral basilica. The Catholic devotion of Eucharistic adoration will take place from 8 p.m. until the celebration of Mass at 7 a.m. the following morning. All are invited to attend the Holy Hour and overnight devotion.

The Holy Hour and overnight devotion are part of the National Prayer Vigil for Life, a nation-wide effort, encouraging each diocese to continue their pro-life witness on the eve of the National March for Life in Washington D.C. (The National March for Life occurs on the Friday prior to the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, Jan. 23.) As part of the National Prayer Vigil for Life, dioceses across the country are having prayer services and overnight adoration. Both of these will be live-streamed on the Cathedral Basilica Facebook page and Archdiocese of Cincinnati YouTube page: [holy hour link](#), [overnight adoration link](#).

In the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, we continue our effort to assist women who are pregnant and families and children who are in need. In July of 2022 a weekend collection was taken up at all the parishes of the archdiocese, and donations were collected online, to assist women in need. Nearly **\$230,000** was collected and then given to 22 organizations that represent more than 30 pro-life centers in the archdiocese. In addition to assistance for women who are pregnant, post-abortive emotional and spiritual support is offered through Project Rachel, a local ministry that offers confidential healing to those who have been affected by abortion. More information about all our resources for women and families can be found on the [For Life](#) page of our website.

RADIATE CHRIST

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati is the 51st largest Catholic diocese in the country, with around 435,000 Catholics, and has the fifth largest Catholic school system in terms of enrollment with nearly 40,000 students. The 19-county territory includes 208 canonical parishes organized into 57 Families of Parishes, and 113 Catholic primary and secondary schools.

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