

# August 13, 2021

#### Dear Parents:

We have just been informed that the spot reservation deadline for March for Life has been **extended to Tuesday August 31, 2021**. We have received a number of reservations already. We hope with the extended date more students and chaperones will have a chance to decide if they would like to reserve a spot. **Please let us know ASAP, before August 30, if you would like to attend.** Thank you!

(We will reserve spots with a deposit and then individual pilgrims will complete online registrations by-September 30).

## **BACKGROUND**

Every year, students and chaperones representing GACC make the pilgrimage to the national March for Life in Washington D.C., advocating to save lives, end abortion and promote a culture of life. Since the 1973 Supreme Court cases that legalized abortion-on-demand in our country, over 60 million lives have been lost to abortion. That's almost 1/3 of our children's generation.

### **DETAILS**

- $\rightarrow$  The 2022 March for Life will take place on Friday, January 21, 2022.
- → Buses from the Archdiocese of Omaha will make the pilgrimage to Washington D.C. from January 18-23, 2022. As in years past, the pilgrimage will include additional opportunities to visit local sights for prayer and reflection. You can find links on the GACC web site to some "quick facts" about the pilgrimage as well as scholarship information for anyone needing assistance with the cost of the pilgrimage.

**\*NOTE**: New this year, the Archdiocese of Omaha is partnering with a third-party company, Verso Ministries, to coordinate the pilgrimage. All registration, payment, etc. will be made via Verso.

# WHAT DO I DO NOW?

- If you and/or your incoming 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grader want to **reserve a spot** on the pilgrimage, **email Jen Kreikemeier at jen.kreikemeier@gaccbluejays.org ASAP** and no later than August 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - After your spot is reserved, you will be prompted to fully register online with Verso Ministries.
- If you want more information about the pilgrimage, read the materials at the links provided and contact Jen Kreikemeier with any additional questions.
- Prayerfully consider serving as a chaperone (each group is required to provide one adult (age 21+) chaperone for every 5 students who attend).