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Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

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FROM THE DEPT. OF PASTORAL CARE – RESPECT LIFE MINISTRIES

Greetings Youth Ministers,

Please be on the lookout for a mailing from me containing important information! This mailing includes:

- The ***2018-2019 USCCB Respect Life Program*** materials along with information about ordering additional materials and accessing some free downloadable content. The materials are excellent! I encourage you to carefully look through everything so that you can consider how these materials may be used to promote Respect Life efforts among the youth that you serve.
- The ***2018-2019 Diocese of Trenton Respect Life Contest*** information (for grades k-8). These pages are printed on yellow paper in the packet for easy identification. As you may know, this annual contest uses the theme and image given to us each year by the USCCB Respect Life Program. I am pleased to get this information to you just prior to the start of the school year in hopes that you will be able to engage any k-8 grade students with whom you may interact in this excellent opportunity to explore Respect Life issues in a creative way. I have attached the contest flyer/entry form to this email for your convenience.

I think you will really LOVE the materials this year! The image used this year portrays Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Unborn and of the Americas) reaching out to St. Juan Diego, with the theme, “***Every Life – Cherished*Chosen*Sent***”. There is a reflection on this theme in the packet (in English and Spanish) that is very beautiful and could be used to introduce this theme to students and adults alike.

Thank you for all that you do to build a culture of LIFE among the youth! Please let me know if there is anything I can do to support your work.

*Peace,
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