



**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
AT HOLY FAMILY RESIDENCE**

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Little Sisters of the Poor to Sponsor Pro-Life Extended Weekend January 20-23

*Events Include a Local “March for Life”
and Hosting the Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe*

In opposition to the 39th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the controversial landmark decision by the United States Supreme Court to legalize abortion, the Little Sisters of the Poor will sponsor several pro-life events January 20-23 which will be open to the public.

On Friday, Jan. 20, the Little Sisters will have a “March for Life” on the campus of Marywood University, 2300 Adams Ave., Scranton. The public is invited to meet at 3:30 p.m. near the Memorial Arch in the area of Morgan Road and Conway Circle (just off of Adams Avenue) located near Regina Hall. As attendees march throughout the campus, they will pray the rosary for an end to abortions. At the conclusion of the march, there will be a special Mass in the chapel of Holy Family Residence, 2500 Adams Ave. Following the Mass, a light dinner will be served at the residence.

On Saturday, Jan. 21 to Sunday, Jan. 22, the Little Sisters will host the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This image, which has been traveling throughout the United States since 1991, will be available for the public to view and venerate Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the chapel of Holy Family Residence. The rosary will also be prayed on Sunday at 10 a.m. followed by Mass.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, a key source of intercessory prayer for the pro-life movement throughout the world, appeared in Mexico as the pregnant Mother of God to St. Juan Diego in 1531. She left an image of her appearance on his cloak which still exists today. It is displayed in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, Mexico.

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On Monday, Jan. 23, in accordance with the Church, we will have day of penance and prayer for the violations of human life due to acts of abortion. The rosary will be prayed at 10:30 a.m. followed by Mass in the chapel.

The Little Sisters of the Poor, who have been serving the elderly poor in Northeastern Pennsylvania since 1908, work closely with staff, volunteers, and benefactors in creating a family spirit for the residents. They welcome the elderly who have limited funds and provide for their needs so they can live their last years in an atmosphere of respect, dignity, and love.

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