

**Culture of Life
Meeting Minutes
June 21st, 2025**

Attendance Sandy, Carol, Deidre, Stephen, Diane, Jocelyn Gerry.

Planning Session 2025

- The St Mary Magdalene Culture of Life Ministry has 3 pillars:
 - Pro-life/Abortion/Post abortion Healing
 - Culture of Life Education
 - Death Penalty and Restorative Justice

- Culture of Life Ministry Meetings:

Currently the Culture of Life meetings are being held on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 9.30-10.30am. This will change moving forward to 4xyear. **ACTION:** Gerry to update Calendar and send out invites.

- Oct 18th, 2025
 - Jan 17th, 2026
 - April 18th, 2026
 - June 20th, 2026 (Planning meeting)
 - Oct 17th, 2026
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- Birthline Table. **ACTION** Sandy and Deidre will continue to coordinate the Birthline Table and donations on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Suggestion was made to move the table between the church doors. Sandy to follow up with the Parish office with the request.

 - Bulletin – Culture of Life Corner. **ACTION** Stephen will head up an Education Initiative, supported by Diane, to have a monthly bulletin insert (if space available) to explain the three pillars of the Culture of Life Ministry, with additional ongoing topical subject matter.

 - Speaker Series. **ACTION** Gerry will coordinate with other ministries in the Parish to encourage a speaker series for the Parish to include a Culture of Life speaker.

 - School outreach initiatives. Sandy listed the outreach initiatives done by the school in the past year. **ACTION** Sandy will talk to Dana about announcing the initiatives in the Parish bulletin so Parishioners can be included.

 - Kitchens for Good (kitchensforgood.org) Donation of unused or pre-loved kitchen items, proceeds from every sale supports their nonprofit programs: 1. Offer California State-Certified apprenticeship training in Culinary Arts, Baking, and Customer Service designed to help individuals facing barriers to employment gain the skills needed to create sustainable careers. **ACTION** Alex and Jocelyn to look into doing a Parish donation drive of pre-loved kitchen items.

OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- 40-Days for Life: Fall 2025 Campaign starts on Sept 24 – November 2nd, 2025, **ACTION:** Oct 3rd - First Saturday procession to Planned Parenthood.

Our Lady of the Rosary Mass 7.30am (Optional)

Start Walking to Planned Parenthood at 8.30am

Planned Parenthood: 8.45am*

Rosary (1 hour)

Walk back to Our Lady of the Rosary at 9.45am

Our Lady of the Rosary: 10.00am

Little Italy Street Market! (Bonus)

*You can also drive directly to Planned Parenthood – 2017 First Ave. 92101

- San Diego Walk for Life 2026 **ACTION:** Walk will be held Jan 24th, 2026.
- Parish Liaison (past/ongoing): Advertise our monthly meetings with other Parishes to encourage them to join us. **ACTION** Gerry to share the email distribution list so personal invitations can be made. Other suggestions: Exhibition table at the Walk for Life. Encourage signups at the Birthline Table.

The next COL meeting will be on Oct 17th at 9.30am in the conference room.

The meeting ended at 11 AM.