

# GOSPEL OF LIFE PRAYER

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world,  
Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life:

Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers  
of babies not allowed to be born,  
of the poor whose lives are made difficult,  
of men and women who are victims of brutal violence,  
of the elderly and sick and the sick killed  
by indifference or out of misguided mercy.

Grant that all who believe in your Son  
may proclaim the *Gospel of Life* with honesty and love  
to the people of our time.

Obtain for them the *grace to accept that Gospel*  
as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude  
throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness  
to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people  
of good will, the civilization of truth and love,  
to the praise and glory of God,  
the Creator and lover of life.

---Saint John Paul II