

1st U.S. Priests and Seminarians Encounter for Life REDESSVIDA

Day 1: (November 8)

07:30 AM – 08:00 AM – Registration.

08:00 AM – 09:00 AM – Opening Mass. Auxiliary Bishop Eduardo A. Nevares.

09:00 AM – 09:15 AM – Recess.

09:15 AM – 10:15 AM – 1. Dignity of the human person and fundamental moral principles

- a. Concepts of ontological and moral dignity.
- b. The substantial unity of the human person.
- c. The moral importance of the body. Implications for
 - A. The defense of human life.
 - B. The defense of natural marriage.
 - C. The defense of the transmission of human life.

Speaker: Father Shenan J. Boquet.

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM – Recess.

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM – 2. Beginning and development of the human person in the womb

- a. Video on prenatal development (15 minutes).
- b. Refutation de objections against the status of the human embryo.
 - A. It is not human because he doesn't look as such.
 - B. It is simply a blob or mass of cells or tissue.
 - C. Life and pregnancy begin at implantation.
 - D. It is not an embryo until the 14 day ("pre-embryo").
 - E. It is not a human being until the brain appears at week 8.

Speaker: Dr. Rafael Cabrera.

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM – Recess.

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM – 3. The role of lay people in the Church

Speaker: Alejandro Bermúdez – EWTN & Aci Prensa

12:30 PM – 01:30 PM – Lunch.

01:30 PM – 02:30 PM – 4. U.S. Bishops' Diocesan Abortion Healing Ministry
Tom Grenchik, Executive Director,
and Mary McCluskey, Assistant Director

02:30 PM – 02:45 PM – Recess.

02:45 PM – 03:45 PM – 5. Encyclical Letter Evangelium Vitae
Fr. Víctor Salomón

03:45 PM – 04:00 PM – Recess.

04:00 PM – 05:30 PM – Break-Out Sessions:

- On presentations 1 and 2.
- On presentations 4.
- On presentations 3 and 5.
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- 05:30 PM – 06:00 PM – Recess - Gala Pro Life Dinner at the 4 Points By Sheraton Hotel.

07:00 PM Gala: Presentation on Evangelium Vitae, no. 5

- a. Sense of urgency and concern (from beginning to end).
 - b. Everything that follows will be on attacks on the family.
 - c. Think about the family.
 - d. Defend life, marriage and children (born and unborn).
 - e. The analogy of Mother Bear.
 - f. The goal of this Encounter must be in the propaganda.
- Speaker: Fr. Shenan J. Boquet.

Day 2: (November 9)

08:00 AM – 08:30 AM – Arrival and welcoming.

08:30 AM – 09:30 AM – 7. Humanae vitae and theology of the body

Speaker: Adolfo J. Castañeda, MA, STL

- a. Predictions of Paul VI.
- b. Characteristics of conjugal love.
- c. Responsible parenthood.
- d. Contraception as intrinsically and gravely evil.
- e. Answers to some objections.
- f. Urgent call to Bishops to implement this teaching.

09:30 AM – 09:45 AM – Recess.

09:45 AM – 10:45 AM – 8. NFP and Naprotechnology

- a. Brief presentation of
 - (1) Embryo destructive experimentation.
 - (2) Assisting reproductive technologies.
 - b. Introduction to NFP.
 - c. Introduction to Naprotechnology.
- Speaker: Dr. Rafael Cabrera.

10:45 AM – 11:00 AM – Recess.

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – 9. “Gender” ideology

Speaker: Dr. Joseph Meaney.

12:00 PM – 01:00 AM – Lunch

01:00 PM – 02:00 PM – 10. “Gender” Sex “Education”
a. What it is.
b. Consequences in the U.S.
c. Organizations that promote it.
d. Strategies.
e. Gender dysphoria in children.
Speakers: Adolfo J. Castañeda and Dr. Felipe Vizcarrondo.

02:00 PM – 02:15 PM – Recess.

02:15 PM – 03:15 PM – 11. Abortion and Contraception
a. Surgical and chemical abortions (e.g., RU-486).
b. Barrier contraceptives.
c. Abortifacient contraceptives (hormonal and IUD).
Speaker: Dr. Rafael Cabrera.

03:15 PM – 03:30 PM – Recess.

03:30 PM – 04:30 PM – 12. Population Control and the UN sustainable development goals
Speaker: Nancy Tosi

04:30 PM – 04:45 PM – Recess

04:45 PM – 05:45 PM – 13. Moral conscience and euthanasia
a. Why is euthanasia a particularly modern temptation?
b. How to argue with those advocating "compassion and choices"
c. The "Right to Die" is really a slogan for the "Duty to Die".
Speaker: Dr. Joseph Meaney.

05:45 PM – 06:00 PM – Recess and preparation for Mass

06:00 PM – 07:00 PM – Holy Mass.

Day 3 (November 10)

08:00 AM – 08:30 AM – Arrival and welcoming.

08:30 AM – 09:30 AM – 14. What does HLI-Miami do? A call to defend life/family
Speaker on HLI-Miami: Adriana Thurdekoos (30 minutes).
a. Rescuing abortion bound women.
b. Post abortion reconciliation and healing:
a. Project Rachel.
b. Rachel’s Vineyard.
c. Guadalupe Project.
Speaker on second talk: Fr. Shenan J. Boquet (30 minutes).

09:30 AM – 09:45 AM – Recess.

09:45 AM – 11:15 AM – Break-Out Sessions.

- On presentations 7 and 8.
- On presentations 9 and 10.
- On presentations 11 and 12.
- On presentations 13 and 14.

11:15 AM – 11:30 AM – Recess.

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – Plenary session and drafting of final declaration.

12:30 PM – 01:30 PM – Lunch and free time to prepare for closing Holy Mass.

01:30 PM – 02:30 PM – Closing Mass and farewell. Presider: Auxiliary Bishop of Phoenix,
Mons. Eduardo A. Nevares
