

# Sample Church Talking Points

## The Abortion Problem:

- New York State: 73,000 abortions annually
  - NY is the abortion capital of America with the most abortions per capita
  - NY was the first state to legalize abortion (July 1, 1970)
  - With the passage of the Reproductive Health Act in 2019, where abortion was deemed a "fundamental human right," NY now has <u>the</u> most permissive abortion laws in the world, after China and North Korea
- NY Abortion Hubs
  - Buffalo Region: 3,400 abortions annually (25% of all pregnancies end in abortion)
  - Rochester Region: 1,900 abortions annually (19% of all pregnancies end in abortion)
  - Capital Region: 2,225 abortions annually (25% of all pregnancies end in abortion)
- Women:
  - o Primarily get abortions because they feel alone and unsupported
  - They feel stuck, trapped by their circumstances and relationships into a decision they wouldn't otherwise make
  - o Abortion represents the abandonment of women in need
- Preborn boys and girls:
  - o Not regarded as inviolable systemically denied personhood and any rights
  - U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v Wade decision, "The word person does not apply to the unborn."
  - Abortion represents death for boys and girls in the womb

# "The abortion problem is a symptom of a deep cultural disease that springs from a fundamental misunderstanding of what it means to be human under God. Only the Church can deal with the root and fruit of this cultural malaise."

#### The Abortion Solution:

- CompassCare is an outworking of the Church's passion and belief that ALL people are made in the image of God and are therefore inviolable equally invaluable, not to be violated
- The Church through CompassCare is "erasing the need for abortion by transforming a woman's fear into confidence"
- Serving women seriously considering abortion in our communities with compassionate, nonjudgmental, and ethical medical care, comprehensive community support, and an invitation to submit their lives to Jesus Christ

#### Share why you are passionate:



## Results:

- 2021 was another record-breaking, life-saving year with 459 preborn babies saved from abortion (an 18% increase over 2020) and 258 women who surrendered their lives to Christ (a 36% increase)
- 2022: 63 preborn babies saved and 27 salvations as of 02/28/22
- Share a recent patient story:
  - Read: <u>ErasingTheNeed.com/patient-stories</u>
  - Watch: <u>YouTube.com/CompassCareCommunity</u>

# Walk Goal:

- 2021 goal: serve 1,025 women seriously considering abortion served 1,073!
- 2022 goal: Serve 50% women seriously considering abortion in 2021
- Need: raise \$877,000

# [Show Walk Promo Video]

## Call to Action:

God is giving us an opportunity to make a difference in NY, the abortion capital of America. The Walk for Life Weekend, the largest pro-life event in NY, does two critical things: 1) educates the community on the equal value of every person, and 2) raises the resources needed to serve more women and save more babies. The Walk Weekend is one event, on two days, and in three locations. Get inspired at the live, Online Rally on Friday, April 29 from 7:00-8:00PM and take action at the In-Person Walk on Saturday, April 30 from 9:00AM-12:00PM at [Buffalo's Delaware Park, Rochester's Highland Park Bowl, or Albany's Washington Park].

Our goal as a church is to raise enough to serve \_\_\_\_\_ women seriously considering abortion [\$570 serves one woman, \$1,140 serves two, \$5,700 serves 10, \$11,400 serves 20, etc.].

Come see me after the service to learn how you can participate and/or register at CompassCareWalk.com.