



## ***Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Fort Worth***

### **Parish Spiritual Adoption Program Sample Pulpit Announcement**

Good morning /evening. My name is \_\_\_\_\_.

Some of you may remember Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, a beloved priest and gifted preacher. He encouraged the faithful to pray for and spiritually adopt an unborn baby who is in danger of abortion.

With Bishop Olson's blessing and Fr. \_\_\_\_\_'s support, we are beginning a spiritual adoption campaign here at \_\_\_\_\_. Each week in the bulletin, we'll follow the development of your spiritually adopted baby from now until \_\_\_\_\_ - when the baby is born. These weekly descriptions will give you the opportunity to learn how an unborn baby grows week by week as he or she gets closer to birth.

Our Blessed Mother will be our patroness as we pray for all babies who are in danger of abortion, especially our own spiritually adopted babies.

When our campaign ends in \_\_\_\_\_, we will collect donations of baby items such as diapers, clothing, bottles, and wipes. All of these items will then be donated to \_\_\_\_\_, a pregnancy help center in \_\_\_\_\_.

Please join us in this spiritual adoption prayer campaign for moms and their unborn babies. As you leave church this evening/morning, stop by our table to pick up a prayer card with Archbishop Sheen's prayer.

Prayer is the most powerful weapon we have in any battle, including the defense of God's most precious gift—Life! Thank you for your attention and for your dedication to the most innocent and defenseless among us: the unborn.