

Renton Sidewalk Prayer Vigils

Frequently Asked Questions

Cedar River Clinics (CRC) abortion facility is located inside the **Cascade Crest Building, 263 Rainier S.**, and shares its driveway with Pizza Hut and Midas Muffler, with only one entrance/exit onto Rainier Ave. S.

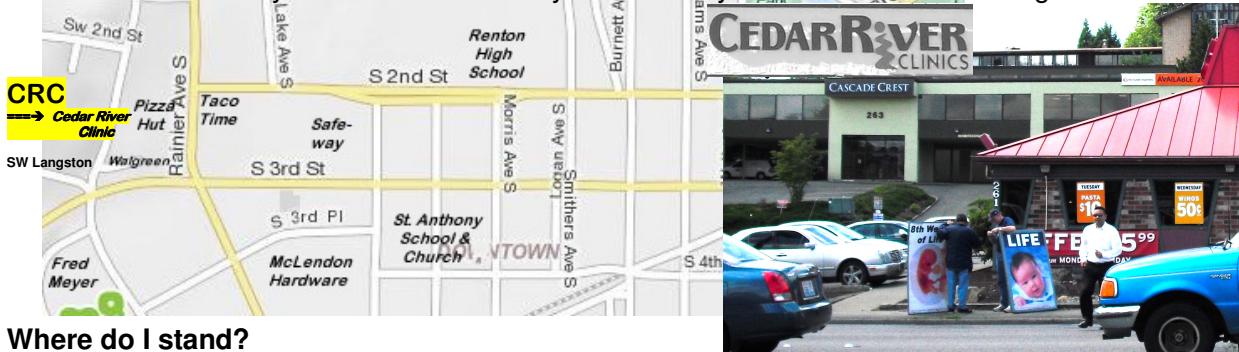
Where do I park?

Please do not park in front of Midas Muffler or in the Pizza Hut parking lot.

Taco Time has given permission for us to park in its lot, which is directly across Rainier Ave. from the abortion facility. The lot is larger than is required by the business. Taco Time asks us to park in the row(s) nearest Rainier Ave. Should the lot become crowded with Taco Time patrons, please move your car without delay.

On-street parking is allowed on SW Langston Road. Safeway has a large lot with entry from S 2nd or S 3rd.

Caution advises always take valuables with you and lock your vehicle before leaving it unattended.



Where do I stand?

Stand facing the clinic on the Rainier Ave. sidewalk in single file. Do not block foot traffic or visibility for vehicles exiting onto Rainier Ave. Never stand in the driveway. Street traffic is quite heavy so stay safe. You and your signs will face the vehicle traffic should you stand on the east side of Rainier while praying.

What if I'm the only one there to pray?

If you feel comfortable doing so, go ahead and get out of your car to pray; if not, feel free to stay inside your car and pray.

What prayers should I be saying?

See the **prayers on the flip side of this sheet** and, of course, the Rosary, Rosary, Rosary, as well as the Divine Mercy Chaplet. You can make up your own prayers or read your Bible, Stations of the Cross, or go to www.PriestsForLife.org and choose from the many prayers suggested there.

What if people approach me and want to start an argument?

Tell them you are there to pray for those inside the clinic and then ask if they'd like to join you in prayer.

What if someone comes out of the clinic after changing her mind?

If you are able to have a conversation with her, be loving and non-argumentative. The hotline number 1-800-395-HELP or 1-877-NOT-ALONE will offer options for where to go for help. A 2017 Resource Brochure may be downloaded by clicking on **2017 Resource Brochure**, listed under the **DOCUMENTS** heading on our website, <http://ststephenslife.com/respect-life>.

OR you may suggest looking in the Yellow Pages under "Abortion Alternatives" or "Adoption." Ask your church's Lent for Life coordinator for pamphlets that have been ordered for this purpose.

May I bring my own signs?

We encourage using only signs with loving messages or Silent No More Awareness signs during Lenten vigils. During Lenten vigils, see your church's coordinator or Betty in St. Stephen's office (253.631.1940) to obtain an appropriate sign. You may keep the sign until the last Lenten prayer vigil.

What if I can't stand the whole time?

A camp stool might work but place it no more than two feet from the sidewalk; do NOT block the sidewalk.

IMPORTANT: This is a time for PRAYER rather than fellowship. Do not chat with your partner. **Pray and pray** for conversion and change of heart for abortionists, clinic staff, and parents of innocent victims.

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Please pray with us...

Prayer to the Blessed Trinity for the Cause of Life

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You have made us in Your image and breathed into our faces the breath of life. We praise You, Who lovingly formed our immortal souls, meant to be Your tabernacles. We praise You, Who wonderfully fashioned our bodies, meant to be instruments of Your love. Each day You show us Your love anew. We are precious to You!

Today we come before You with hearts full of praise and thanksgiving for Your goodness. All that we are and have is from You. Of all Your gifts to us, the greatest is life. And so we also come before You today with hearts grieving and repentant, for every sin against this most precious gift.

Dear Father and Creator of all life, through Your Son Jesus Christ, we plead for Your mercy upon our land that continues to offend You gravely through sins against life, particularly the sin of abortion. For us the Precious Blood of Your Son was shed, and His Heart pierced with a lance. Our only hope is in that immense mercy! Look with mercy upon our hearts and give us zeal to do our part in ending abortion. Help us to bring Your mercy, healing, and love to all peoples so hurt and ruined by abortion.

We especially beg for Your blessing upon our 40 Days for Life Campaign this spring. Send Your Spirit to fill us with His wisdom and love, that we might truly build and serve the Culture of Life. We ask that through us, Your mercy and love will end the bloodshed and ruin of abortion. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer for Closing of Abortion Mills

Father, all life is in Your care. You have entrusted us to one another, that we may show our brothers and sisters the same love You have for us. We pray, then, for the least among us, the children in the womb. Protect them from the violence of abortion. We pray for those who are scheduled to die at the Renton Cedar River abortion Clinics. Save them from death. Give new hope to their parents, that they may turn away from the desperate act of abortion.

Grant conversion to the abortionists and to the staff. Show us how we are to respond to the bloodshed in our midst, and lead us to the day when this place of death will be transformed into a haven of life.

Guard us with your joy and your peace, for in You, life is victorious. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of Life

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 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. Amen. --Pope John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*



Prayer of Protection to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Dear Lord Jesus, by faith in your merits,
We now take your Precious Blood and sprinkle it
over ourselves and our family/families,
right from the crown of our heads
to the very soles of our feet.

Lord Jesus keep us free today from evil,
Sin, temptation, Satan's attacks and
Applications, fear of darkness, fear of man,
Sickness, disease, doubts, anger, all
Calamities, all accidents
and all that is not of your Kingdom.

Fill us Lord Jesus, with the gifts of the
Holy Spirit and grant me/us the gifts of wisdom,
Knowledge, faith, understanding and
Discernment; so that we will live today
in Your Glory by doing what is right.

We praise You Jesus, we thank You Jesus,
we love You Jesus, we adore You Jesus.
Amen.

"Human life is sacred... from its very inception it reveals the creating hand of God."

Pope John XXIII

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