**Prayers for Life**

**Scripture for Reflection**

**Jeremiah 1:4-8**

The word of the Lord came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;”

**Isaiah 46:3**

Listen to me,

You who have been borne by me from your birth,

carried from the womb;

even to your old age I am he,

even when you turn grey I will carry you.

I have made, and I will bear;

I will carry and will save.

**Intercessions – to be used on a rotation basis in the Prayers of the Faithful over the coming weeks.**

Let us pray for our community: that we will see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator.

Let us pray for our community: that we will open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift.

Let us pray for doctors, nurses and midwives: that they will equally cherish and respect the life of a mother and her baby in the womb

Let us pray for those who make our laws: that they will uphold the uniqueness

and sacredness of every human life, from the first moment of conception to natural death.

Let us pray for the gift of wisdom: so that with generosity we will build a society that cares for all.