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Young People Issue their Challenge: "Come get the Courage to create a Pro-Dignity Culture!" Pro-Life Youth Conference Set for October 15, 2011

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Conference is \$15 if pre-registered and \$20 at the door. Registration opens at noon, conference at 12:30, concluding at 5:00 with Holy Mass. Action continues with dinner, open gym, and a concert closing at 9:30. Attendees receive an all-new 2011 pro-life T-shirt.

This challenge is issued by the young people organizing the eighth annual Building Bridges Pro-Life Youth Conference scheduled for October 15, at Marian High School, 7225 Lahser Rd. Bloomfield Hills, 48301 Michigan.

The 2011 theme: "**It Takes Courage**" addresses the need for our youth to stand up and defend the Culture of Life and dignity of every person, despite the adverse opposition from society and confusion among their peers.

"Kids today don't know, we don't know that abortion is wrong as is sex before marriage. We are not taught this, we just see society's example which makes it normal so we think it's ok," says Cara Egan, a senior at Troy High, a member of the planning staff. "This conference teaches and shows us that it is wrong; abortion is killing a human being and that is not ok, I love helping with, and attending this conference every year."

"Local high school and college students who have planned this conference each year leave equipped to face the culture of death not only with facts and figures to counter the culture, but also with a skill set that can enable them to do bigger things," says Alexa Schuele, former planner now youth Minister in Brunswick, Ohio. "This is what being pro-life means today, to use your talents to move a culture. And the Pro-life youth planners are learning just how to do that"

Speakers this year address topics that enable teens to tackle uncomfortable topics in their day-to-day lives with courage, confidence, and especially with charity. Topics will include: contraception, pre-marital relationships, unplanned pregnancies, same-sex attraction, euthanasia, and primarily abortion's impact on humanity, especially on this generation. David Bereit, National Director 40 Days for Life; Ed Rivet, Legislative Director of RTL Michigan; Dr Monica Miller and numerous other experienced sidewalk counselors will be part of the presentation team. All metro Detroit youth – from 8th grade through college are invited to experience our speaker, break out and film sessions.

Those attending will be invited to help build the Culture of Life through their talents, strengthened through the sacraments. Confession and Eucharistic Adoration will be available throughout the day concluding with 5pm Sunday Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Byrnes.

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