### **Project Rachel**

## A Post-Abortion Reconciliation Ministry of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Project Rachel represents a means for you to receive the healing grace of God as well as official Church forgiveness for abortion.

It allows you, in a caring and hopeful context, to move toward reconciliation — with yourself, your unborn child, your Church, your God. The ministry is named for the Hebrew Scripture figure who wept inconsolably over the loss of her child.

Through the project, many priests have received special training to minister the Sacrament of Reconciliation to people who have been involved in an abortion. This ministry is co-sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Human Concerns/Respect Life and Catholic Charities.

Project Rachel, like the sacrament it includes, is a sensitive, private and confidential experience. If you wish, you can be put in touch with a priest outside your home community. Your meeting with the priest will focus on preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Generally, the process will include counseling, prayer and scripture.

Also available to you as part of Project Rachel is counseling with specially trained staff from Catholic Charities. Such counseling, before and/or after the Sacrament of Reconciliation, can help you sort through your feelings and deal with unresolved conflicts.

#### **How to Begin**

To initiate your participation in Project Rachel, you are asked to contact the Office for Human Concerns/Respect Life, Archdiocese of Milwaukee for referral to a priest.

Catholic Charities Social Workers are also available for counseling.

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