Fight apathy and reconnect with God

By Archbishop D. John Deacon

In his Ash Wednesday homily, Deacon stressed the importance of prayer and devotion during Lent. The ashes, which are distributed during Ash Wednesday services, are a symbol of our mortality and our need for spiritual renewal. Deacon encouraged the congregation to reflect on their relationship with God and to make a renewed commitment to their faith.

During Lent, we are called to live a life filled with love, work, and marriage. The ashes on our foreheads remind us of our mortality and our need for spiritual renewal. Let us use this time to reconnect with God and to strengthen our faith.

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Region rallies for life

Mothers highlight SF rally, March events in Oakland

By Michael Santos

Mothers were at the heart of the annual Walk for Life West Coast Jan. 26, despite cold temperatures and rain. The rally was held at San Francisco Civic Center Plaza, and mothers shared their stories of pregnancy loss and the importance of protecting the lives of unborn children.

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Teresa Patey, speaker, and Bishop Salvatore Cordileone, left, and Bishop Salvatore Geretti, right.

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