

***Humanae Vitae 50 Observances***  
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**Further Context of and Rationale for Our *Humanae Vitae* 50 Activities**

1. *May 12, 2018 HV 50 Conference*

Our Coalition, along with other organizations, launched these activities with this Conference at Saints Simon and Jude Parish Center near West Chester. Led by Christopher West, this Conference provided tremendous presentations not just to educate the 150 attendees on HV and the vast harms of contraception but to equip and inspire these attendees to evangelize others on these topics.

2. *Recruiting HV 50 Declaration Signatories*

The principal purpose of this activity is to challenge ourselves to demonstrate courage and effect evangelization regarding HV and the harms of contraception.

3. *Encouraging HV Homilies at Sunday Masses for July 21, 2018*

Such homilies have the potential to reach tens of thousands of faithful Catholics with a greatly needed message.

At a 2008 convocation of Philadelphia priests, called by Cardinal Rigali, Christopher West delivered an excellent presentation on how to preach on HV and against contraception. Christopher's book, *Theology of the Body for Beginners*, summarizes this presentation. (If requested, our Coalition can provide a copy of this book.) Websites sponsored by Human Life International ([www.hli.org](http://www.hli.org)) and One More Soul ([www.onemoresoul.com/category/contraception-abortion/sermons-on-contraception-abortion](http://www.onemoresoul.com/category/contraception-abortion/sermons-on-contraception-abortion)) also provide excellent materials for such homilies.

4. *July 25, 2018 Event*

The event plans to describe the vast harms of the Sexual Revolution and, contraception, by showing the 90-minute movie *Sexual Revolution*. A brief call-to-action presentation will follow this movie.

This event will promote two other activities.

5. *An Ongoing Physician Outreach Program to persuade them to cease providing contraceptive and abortifacient drugs and devices.*

6. *The HV 50 Conference, sponsored by the Philadelphia Archdiocesan Office for Life and Family at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel near Logan Circle on Saturday, October 13, 2018.*