



MARCH FOR LIFE

2027

A planning guide for Champion chapters joining us in Washington, D.C.
— to stand for life, and to meet fellow Champions for Religious Liberty
face to face.

STAND FOR LIFE IN THE *nation's capital.*

Join your fellow Champions in Washington, D.C., for the 2027 National March for Life — Friday, January 22.

This guide will help your Champion chapter consider, plan, and budget a trip to the National March for Life. We'll be there in force — marching for life, and gathering as a network of citizens, pastors, and educators who stand together for religious liberty.

The date is no accident. The March is held each year near **January 22** — the day in 1973 the Supreme Court handed down *Roe v. Wade*. We march in hope, in prayer, and in witness.

**JAN
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Friday, 2027

National March for Life Washington,
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Whether you come for the day or the whole weekend, this guide breaks down everything to think through before you go.

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“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.”

Proverbs 31:8 — We march not in anger but in love, as a peaceful, prayerful witness for the dignity of every life.

OUR WEEKEND, *hour by hour.*

Here are the gatherings we're planning for Champions. Come for what you can — every part is optional, and the March itself is the heart of it.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON & EVENING

MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE — TOUR, DINNER & PROGRAM

Champions gather to tour the Museum of the Bible together, then enjoy dinner and a program on-site. **This dinner is provided free of charge.**

FRIDAY 11:00 A.M. OPTIONAL

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY ON THE NATIONAL MALL

The rally opens with a pre-March concert, a choir, and pro-life speakers.

FRIDAY 1:00 P.M.

THE MARCH — FROM THE MALL TO THE SUPREME COURT

We march together from the National Mall up to the Supreme Court Building. (The exact route can change from year to year.)

FRIDAY 6:00 P.M.

EVENING — YOUR CHOICE

- Rest in your hotel for the night;
- Reserve and attend the **Rose Dinner Gala**;
- Reserve and attend another event (TBD).

SATURDAY MORNING

TRAVEL, SIGHTSEE, OR VISIT LCRL

- Leave and travel home;
- Stay and see more sites in Washington, D.C.;
- Stop by the LCRL office for light breakfast (coffee, juice, bagels & fruit, 9–11 a.m.).

SUNDAY OPEN

ON YOUR OWN

You're free to head home or stay as long as you wish.

A PLACE TO REST, *a plan for the day.*

THE WESTIN WASHINGTON, D.C. DOWNTOWN

Last year's March for Life group-rate hotel — across from the Washington Convention Center, between Capitol Hill and the White House.

- 999 9th St NW, Washington, D.C. 20001
- 5 miles from Reagan National (DCA)
- 25 miles from Dulles (IAD)

Room rate (2026 example)	\$196.00
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Plus tax	\$31.26
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Per night	\$227.26
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Group rate is the federal per-diem + tax, and applies to triple/quadruple occupancy too. First come, first served.

BOOKING & ALTERNATIVES

- **Watch the deadlines** — rooms fill fast, and there are *separate booking dates for individuals vs. groups*. We'll highlight those dates for you.

OTHER OPTIONS

- Other D.C. hotels (there are many)
- Airbnb rentals
- Staying with friends in the area
- Sharing rooms to split the cost

ON THE DAY OF THE MARCH

- **Rally at 11:00 a.m.** — pre-March concert, choir, and speakers.
- **March at 1:00 p.m.** — the route shifts somewhat each year (we'll include the current route).
- **Arrive early** — there are TSA-style security checkpoints.
- A list of prohibited items will be provided (we'll share the current one as a guide).
- Plan ahead for bathroom access and check-in wristbands.
- If you leave the secured area, expect to be re-screened to get back in.

GETTING TO D.C. — *and getting fed.*

TRANSPORTATION

All travel to and from where you live is your own expense.

FLYING IN

- **Reagan National (DCA)** — Crystal City, VA; just 5 miles from downtown.
- **Dulles (IAD)** — Dulles, VA; an easy 25-mile drive in.

GETTING AROUND

- Taxis / rideshare (Uber, Lyft) are cheapest — especially from Reagan National.
- Renting a car is **not recommended**: parking runs \$30–\$40/day at hotels and is tough in the city.
- **The Metro** is the easiest way around. For the March, ride to Federal Triangle, Smithsonian, or Metro Center — all an easy walk to the rally.
- Charter buses work too (permits required); park at Union Station or the Basilica of the National Shrine.

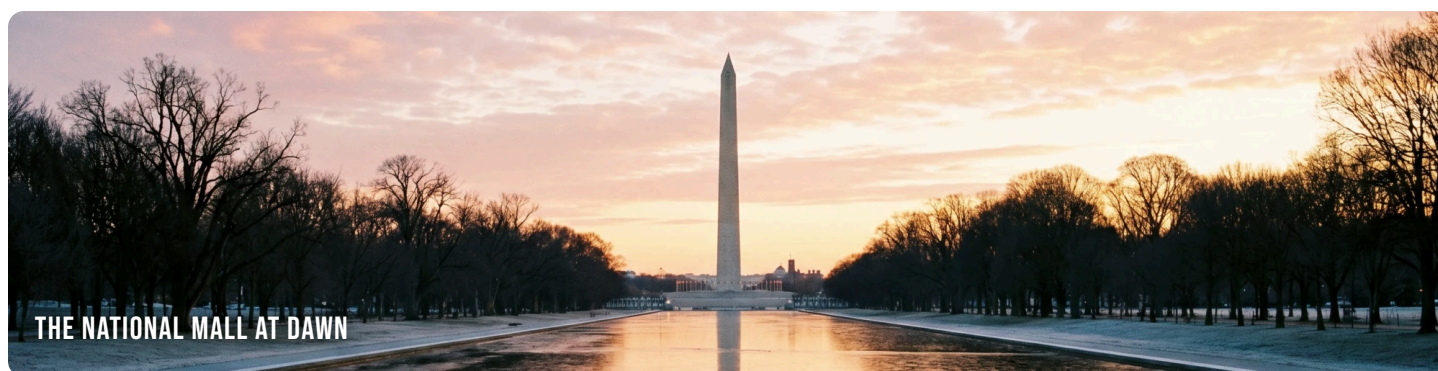
MEALS

- **Thursday dinner is free** — provided at the Museum of the Bible.
- **Saturday breakfast at LCRL** — coffee, juice, bagels & fruit, 9–11 a.m., for those touring the office.

ON YOUR OWN

Hotels all have restaurants, and there are diners and eateries all over the city. Eating out for every meal adds up fast.

Money-saving tip: small groceries around the city let you grab cold cuts, cheese, fruit, bread, and drinks for a couple of meals on the cheap.



THE NATIONAL MALL AT DAWN

WHAT TO BUDGET, *at a glance.*

ITEM	ESTIMATE
Travel to/from Washington, D.C.	\$500–\$600
Ground transportation	\$100–\$150
Lodging per room, per night	~\$230
Meals per person, per day	~\$100
Rose Dinner Gala optional · a March for Life fundraiser	\$500 / person
Museums some free, others ticketed	\$15–\$50
Souvenirs	Your call

THE ROSE DINNER GALA [OPTIONAL]

5:30–9:30 p.m. after the March — a fundraiser for the March for Life organization. Reservations required; chapters often buy a **table of 8**. *A word to the wise:* if you do the rally *and* the afternoon March, you’ll have been on your feet 4–6 hours. Some attend the morning rally, skip the March, and save their energy for the Gala. Attendees may be invited to give a one-time or monthly gift.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS RECEPTION

In 2026, March for Life launched *Pour la Vie* — a cocktail reception (ages 21–35) running alongside the Rose Dinner, with networking, light hors d’oeuvres, and an open bar (21+). 2026 time: 5:30–8:00 p.m. Reservation required. *Whether 2027 will host this (or something similar) is not yet confirmed.*

MAKE THE MOST *of the capital.*

ATTRACTIONS TO SEE

If you've never been, there's a lot to take in. Hours vary by venue — and many places now add a service fee on small charges, so carry a little cash.

Museum of the Bible (group event)

Washington National Cathedral

The White House

Holocaust Memorial Museum

Library of Congress

Smithsonian Museums

Spy Museum

National Mall & memorials

Trolley day tours

ATTIRE — IT'S A D.C. JANUARY

It might be mild, but it's often cold, rainy, or snowy. You may be packing just 2–3 days out, so watch the forecast. Bring:

- Heavy coat
- Warm socks
- Hats & ear muffs
- Comfortable walking shoes/boots
- Gloves / mittens
- Hand warmers
- Scarf

*The Champions Network will offer **bright-colored hats & scarves** — so we can spot each other in a sea of thousands. March for Life also has a merch store at shop.marchforlife.org.*

WHAT'S EXPECTED OF US

- Conduct ourselves in a **respectful manner**.
- Leave no trash or signs on the street — find a trash can and dispose of items properly.
- You may see counter-protesters. **We advise not engaging.** Ours is a peaceful witness — if you do engage, do so respectfully.

A peaceful, prayerful people.

How we carry ourselves is part of the witness.



WILL YOU MARCH WITH US?

SEE YOU IN *Washington.*

Tell us you're coming, and we'll keep you posted on booking deadlines, the group hotel block, and our Champions gatherings. Bring your chapter — there's strength in numbers, and joy in the company.

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“Let us not grow weary of doing good.”

GALATIANS 6:9



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Details, dates, rates, and events for 2027 are based on the 2026 March and are subject to confirmation. Watch for booking deadlines — individual and group dates differ, and rooms fill quickly. Champions Network · Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty, Washington, D.C.