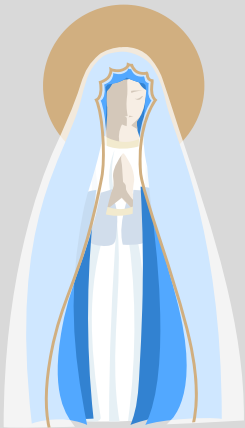


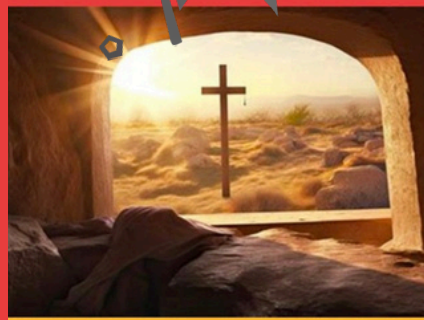


We thank all who completed our end-of-year survey. The National Board of Directors will be reviewing your responses during our upcoming board meeting in Oshkosh, WI.



We thank all who joined us in praying the rosary in honor of CFM's Founding Day, June 17, 1949. Contact the office if you would like a link to the beautiful online rosary presentation we followed.

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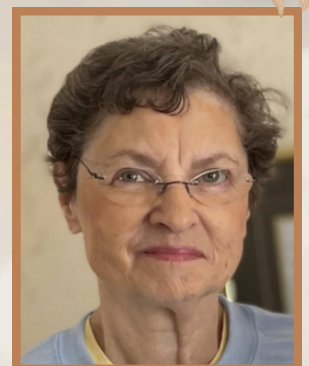
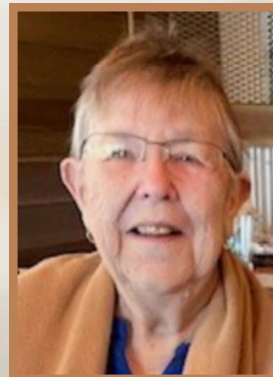
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Danny McHale (center) with friends

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“Heart of a Champion: How God Used SMA to Shape My Life.” - Dan McHale



When CFM ACT published my story, I was 2 ½, and no one expected me to live that long (or much longer). Diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) at six months old. I was given only a few months to live. My parents, Joe and Mary, were told to “take him home and love him for the time that you have.”

Instead of preparing for a funeral, my family and parish community at St. Joan of Arc in San Ramon, California, turned to prayer. A priest came to our home and told my parents God is crying too, He doesn't want this. He gave me the Anointing of the Sick, and the next day, 200 parishioners gathered and held a prayer vigil to pray for me.

At that vigil, the pastoral associate's wife told my mom, “I have peace. The Holy Spirit spoke to me and said, ‘The Lord has plans for Daniel.’” At that moment, along with the love and prayers of so many CFM families, these plans became the foundation of my life.

In the years since my diagnosis, my parents became very involved with Cure SMA. With the help of our parish, the CFM community, and friends, what began as a backyard fundraiser grew into one of the largest SMA fundraisers in the West Coast. Over 20 years, we raised \$2.3M+ for SMA research and support...

People often tell me that I am an inspiration. I don't see myself that way. I see myself as a living testimony of God's unconditional love, mercy, and grace, and as one small example of what happens when a community like CFM chooses to love, pray, and show up for a family in crisis.

Thank you for the role you played at the very beginning of my story. I am grateful to be able to share, twenty-plus years later, that the boy who “used to be sick” is still here, still fighting, still growing in faith, and now serving the Church that helped carry him.

Dan is currently employed as the Social Media Lead for St. Joan of Arc Parish in San Ramon, CA.

Click [HERE](#) to read the complete story written and submitted by Dan.

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The 39th Annual Walk for Life South Bay was held on May 16, 2026, bringing together many people, including a contingent from St. Lawrence Martyr Church's Christian Family Movement (CFM), to bear witness to the humanity & dignity of preborn babies. SLM-CFM members have faithfully participated in this event for many years—as evidenced by the colorful collection of Walk for Life shirts they have worn through the years.



Funds raised from the Walk support the Pregnancy Help Center, which provides a safe & nonjudgmental environment where vulnerable women can be heard, share their fears, discover their strengths, & receive the support they need to embrace motherhood. The Center also offers educational resources on prenatal and postnatal care, infant care, parenting, life skills, and more.



St. Lawrence Martyr CFM Family Fun Day

On May 9, 2026, St. Lawrence Martyr CFM families gathered for a fun-filled day of fellowship, games, food, and service. Children and adults enjoyed relay races, sack races, tug-of-war, a water balloon toss, and a delightfully messy watermelon-eating contest, while family members cheered each other on.

The celebration continued indoors with a shared meal & opportunities for families to visit, meet new members, and strengthen friendships within the CFM community. In true CFM spirit, families also worked together assembly-line style to make 200 sandwiches for distribution through the parish Street Ministry. This service project reminded everyone that fun and fellowship can go hand in hand with caring for others.

The day was a wonderful reflection of the CFM spirit—strengthening families through faith, friendship, fun, and service.



CFM is a Catholic lay movement of families and individuals that gathers in small groups to strengthen marriage and family life through faith, friendship, and action.

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