

Domestic Violence

"Violence against women, inside or outside the home, is never justified. Violence in any form—physical, sexual, psychological, or verbal—is sinful; often, it is a crime as well" U.S. Catholic Bishops, *When I Call for Help* (2002).

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Diocese of Rochester, "Domestic Violence." <http://www.dor.org/index.cfm/ministries/domestic-violence/>

Ecclesial Documents (Bishop/ Vatican):

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Fr. John West, "It's Not Shameful to Ask for Help," Archdiocese of Detroit. Available <http://www.aodonline.org/AODOnline/Offices+and+Ministries+12009/Parish+Life+and+Services+12112/CatholicCharities+17599/Family+Violence+9200/help.htm>

Dates to Note:

October is often considered Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

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