

40 Days for Life/Exodus 2009



Above: The 40 Days for Life vigil in Montreal. There are 40 Days for Life campaign is taking place in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto, where pro-lifers pray in front of abortion facilities 24 hours a day for 40 days. In other communities across Canada, there are prayer vigils that are part of Exodus 2009.

Below: More than 35 people take part in a prayer vigil in front of the Kingston General Hospital as part of Exodus 2009.



In Winnipeg, 60 people took part in the launch for Exodus 2009, a daily 12-hour prayer vigil from 8am to 8 pm in front of the Winnipeg Health Science Center (Women's Hospital), where more than 3000 abortions are committed annually. By week three, there were more than 125 volunteers. Over 100 parishioners from St. Peter's Parish came to pray the rosary one day, led by their pastor Msgr. E. Samson. CLC Manitoba president Maria Slykerman reports that women have stopped to ask how they can be forgiven for their past abortions.



Toronto Archbishop Thomas Collins prays the Rosary after saying Mass at St. Charles Borromeo church during a special event at the halfway point of the Toronto vigil on March 15.



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Each day during Lent, between eight and 23 people took part in the Exodus 2009 prayer vigil in Saskatoon. Some came every day, others less frequently. The youngest participant was eight months old; the oldest in the late 70s. Denise Hounjet-Roth of Campaign Life Coalition Saskatchewan reported that temperatures at some points dipped down to -43C.