

*“This child, who has always been God’s gift to you, may now be the cause of another gift: your family becoming more honest, respectful and supportive.”*

-USCCB

*“Always Our Children” 1997*



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*You Are Mine*

A Ministry for the Parents and Loved  
Ones of LGBTQ Catholics

## YOU ARE MINE

- Founded in 2019, *You Are Mine* is a parish-based group that provides a welcoming place for the parents, family members and friends of LGBTQ Catholics.
- Through monthly meetings, we offer mutual support and a forum to discuss - in confidence - the joys and challenges of raising our children and other loved ones in the Church.
- In the process, we seek to strengthen our bonds with our families, God, the Church and each other.
- As advocates for our children and loved ones, we recognize that all of us are created in God's image to love and serve others.

## WHY YOU ARE MINE?

- The number of Americans identifying as LGBTQ continues to grow.
- Differing perspectives can create confusion and distress for the parents and loved ones of LGBTQ Catholics.
- Parents and loved ones may feel alone and reluctant to discuss their situation; others may feel compelled to leave the Church entirely.
- We cherish our LGBTQ loved ones and want to fully support them within the Church.

*"All people are created in the image and likeness of God and thus possess an innate human dignity that must be acknowledged and respected."*

-USCCB 2006

## WHAT YOU'LL FIND AT YOU ARE MINE

- Parents who have had a wide range of experiences and who understand that every family situation is unique.
- An opportunity to share the continual joys and challenges of raising LGBTQ children in a Catholic family.
- Warm, welcoming people who take their families and their faith seriously.
- Opportunities for individual family discussions, group events and service projects.