51ST MARCH FOR LIFE

WASHINGTON, DC ★ **JANUARY 19, 2024**

- · Welcome to People for Life's 51st Bus Trip to the March for Life!
- Please make sure that your name is on your bus captain's roster.
- Please say hello and introduce yourself to a few of the people near you on your bus. Then
 after each stop, make sure those individuals have returned to their seats before we get
 back on the road. This procedure will help ensure that no one is left behind.
- When leaving your bus, take everything you will need for the day. The bus will be inaccessible during most of the day.
- If you need help at any time, call People for Life's cell phone at (814) 882-1333 to reach Tim Broderick. If no one answers, leave a message.

Use this URL in case you forget how to get back to your bus: www.peopleforlife.org/bus





2024 March Map tinyurl.com/59j62aac

Metro Map tinyurl.com/y7qw7b2z

| | ACTIVITY | TIME |
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| Rest Stop at PA Turnpike South Midway Service Plaza | | 4:30 a.m. approximately Limited to 30 minutes! |
| Arrive West Falls Church Metro Station | | 7:00 a.m. approximately |
| Free time for touring DC Outdoor monuments, Smithsonian museums, Museum of the Bible, Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Holocaust Museum, March for Life Expo, etc. | | Until Noon |
| March for Life Rally on the National Mall between 9th & 12th streets. | | Noon (Pre-March Concert from 11:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.) |
| March for Life The March will be approxomately1.5 miles long and will begin on Madison Dr., on the north side of the Rally area. | | 1:00 p.m. approximately |
| OPTIONAL | Congressional Reception hosted by Congressman Mike Kelly | 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cannon Caucus Room, Room 345; Cannon House Office Building; 27 Independence Ave SE, corner of 1st St. SE & Independence Ave. SE. (Metal detectors and bag check) |
| Bus departs West Falls Church Metro Station | | 5:15 p.m. No exceptions! Enter the Capitol South Metro Station by 4:30 p.m. at the very latest! |
| Dinner Stop Probably fast food at Hagerstown, Maryland | | Approximately 8:00 p.m. or later Limited to 45 minutes |
| Arrive in Erie | | 1:00 a.m. approximately |

There is a *very slight* chance that you that will encounter a few protesters during the March who want to argue. Simply ignore them. Any commotion would only detract from our message and help the pro-abortion people.

Using the Washington Metro (Subway) System

Before using the Metro system, purchase your *Smartrip* card from one of the vending machines at the entrance to the Metro station. The fare cards can be encoded for any cash amount you specify. **CAUTION:** Have a credit or debit card, or \$5 or \$10 dollar bills ready to use in the vending machines. They *will* accept \$20 bills *but* will only return a maximum of \$10 in change. Your best option might be to purchase an **all day unlimited pass for \$15**. (Save \$2 by recharging your old WMATA Smartrip Card if you have one.) You will then have complete freedom of movement. Nevertheless, the exact cost for several travel options is provided below.

Most Direct Route from the Bus to the Starting Point of the March

COST FOR ENTIRE DAY \$11.85 (includes \$2.00 for a new, rechargeable Smartrip card)

- To proceed directly from West Falls Church (where we will leave the buses) to the starting point of the March and the location of the March for Life Rally, take the <u>Orange Line toward New Carrollton</u> to <u>Smithsonian</u> station, which is located on the National Mall, at 12th St. Metro travel time: 25 minutes, Distance 9.6 miles. Add \$.55 (\$11.85 total) if you would like to continue past Smithsonian Station to Capitol South Station. Capitol South is the station nearest the Capitol Building and the congressional office buildings and cafeterias.
- The March for Life Rally will take place on the National Mall between 9th St. and 12th St.

From Bus to Starting Point of March Including a Visit to the Catholic Basilica

COST FOR ENTIRE DAY \$15.10 (includes \$2.00 for a new, rechargeable Smartrip card). A \$15 all-day pass is the better option.

- From West Falls Church, take the <u>Orange Line toward New Carrollton</u> to Metro Center, where you will transfer to another Metro train.
- From Metro Center take the Red Line toward Glenmont to Brookland-CUA (Catholic University of America).
 Metro travel time (West Falls Church to Brookland-CUA) 39 minutes, Distance 12.3 miles
- After visiting the Basilica: from Brookland-CUA take the <u>Red Line toward Shady Grove</u> to Metro Center.
 Metro travel time 10 minutes, Distance 3.25 miles
- From Metro Center, walk south on 12th St. to the National Mall. <u>If you don't like to walk</u> and don't mind changing trains, take any train toward <u>New Carrollton</u> or <u>Largo Town Center</u> from Metro Center and exit at Smithsonian station (\$0.25 additional cost).

From Bus to Starting Point of March Including a Visit to Union Station

COST FOR ENTIRE DAY \$14.20 (includes \$2.00 for a new, rechargeable Smartrip card)

- Metro Option 1 From West Falls Church, take the Orange Line toward New Carrollton. At Metro Center. switch to the Red Line toward Glenmont and exit at Union Station.
- Metro Option 2 From West Falls Church, take the Orange Line toward New Carrollton and do not change trains at Metro Center but instead exit the Metro at Capitol South (\$0.20 additional cost), then walk north on 1st St., past the Supreme Court, to Union Station. The distance in 0.8 miles and the walking time is about 17 minutes.
- After visiting Union Station, take the <u>Red Line toward Shady Grove</u>, exit at <u>Metro Center</u>, and walk south on 12th St. to the National Mall. <u>If you don't like to walk</u> and don't mind changing trains, take any train toward <u>New Carrollton</u> or <u>Largo Town Center</u> from <u>Metro Center</u> and exit at <u>Smithsonian</u> station (\$0.25 additional cost).

— RETURN TRIP TO THE BUS AT THE END OF THE DAY —

At the end of the day, the buses will be waiting at West Falls Church Station. Board the Metro at **Capitol South** Station and take the **Orange Line toward Vienna** (**CAUTION:** Only board an Orange Line train.) and exit at **West Falls Church** Station.

Capitol South Station is the Metro station closest to the endpoint of the March and closest to the House office buildings. It is located on 1st St., which runs between the Capitol Building and the Supreme Court Building. Capitol South Station is only a block and a half south of the Capitol Building on 1st St. Metro travel time: 31 minutes (does not include time waiting for the next train to arrive), Distance: 11 miles.

YOU MUST BE BACK TO YOUR BUS BY 5:15 PM

Suggested Places to Eat Before the March

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FOOD COURT AT UNION STATION Most restaurants open at 9:30 a.m. Union Station proper opens at 5 a.m. Union Station is a magnificent and historic edifice located about four blocks north of the Capitol Building on Massachusetts Ave. From Capitol Hill proceed north on either 1st St. or Delaware Ave.; Union Station is straight ahead. The Food Court is located on the lower level.

LONGWORTH CAFETERIA (CLOSEST METRO STATION: CAPITOL SOUTH) Located in the basement of the Longworth House Office Building, the narrow office building on Independence Avenue. It is between South Capitol St. and New Jersey Ave. and between the Rayburn and Cannon House Office Buildings. It is open 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.



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