



**28  
WEEKS**

- You can smell and differentiate certain odors in the amniotic fluid.
- You respond to music, reading and singing.
- You get bigger, stronger and more plump.
- In a few weeks (or a few months), you will be born and be baptized!

*“Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live’”*  
(JOHN 11:25).

**From the moment of conception** to the natural end of life, God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit loves each and every one of us. Created by God, no matter the stage of life, we confess that every human being has value, deserving protection and love.



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# Fetal Development Milestones





## 14 WEEKS

- Your heart has been beating for over 8 weeks!
- You are a boy or a girl from the moment of conception.
- You have complex facial features and complex movements.
- You have fingernails. (No toenails yet ... not for another 2 weeks.)
- You hiccup.
- You practice breathing in the womb.

*"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb"*  
(PSALM 139:13).



## 18 WEEKS

- You can move away from being touched.
- You are gaining more body fat.
- An ultrasound will reveal if you are a boy or a girl.

*"I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well"*  
(PSALM 139:14).



## 24 WEEKS

- You can blink your eyes.
- You can hear.
- Your skin has developed sweat glands.
- You move between periods of wakefulness and sleep.
- If you are born now, you have a higher chance of surviving outside of the womb.

*"He himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for 'In him we live and move and have our being'"* (ACTS 17:25-28).

**For you formed my inward parts. —PSALM 139:13**