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PRELIMINARIES

COUNCIL CULTURE OF LIFE CHAIR COUPLES WANTED!

We want to encourage each council in the state to name a chair couple and allow them to contribute to the council's activities. If you have not done so, please send us the contact information for your council chair couple. A form has been created to facilitate this and it can be found on the State KC web site:

<http://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cultureoflife/>

Please send the filled-out form to us by mail or email at smistretta2@cox.net.

KCLS CULTURE OF LIFE PRESENTATIONS

Were you unable to attend KCLS this year? If not, then you can view PowerPoint presentations given by the State Culture of Life Chair Couple. They are available on the state KC web site:

<http://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cultureoflife/>

The 2014 presentation provides an overview of the main Culture of Life issues. The 2015 presentation provides specific guidance on the activity grading form.

Please contact us if you have questions or need more information.

WHAT IS A CULTURE OF LIFE?

Culture is the way in which men and women in a community mold or shape a particular way of relating to nature, to each other and to God, thus establishing a typical style of human coexistence.

One of the primary values of the Culture of Life is respect for human life from its beginning at conception until its natural end. When a culture is capable of protecting and encouraging this vision of mankind through its political, social, economic and legal structures, it can be called a culture of life.

Building such a culture not only requires collaboration of society's leaders, but it is also a duty and a right of all Christians.

SHARE WHAT YOUR COUNCIL IS DOING TO BUILD A CULTURE OF LIFE

We want this monthly newsletter to be an opportunity for councils to share the good work that they are doing to build a Culture of Life. Please send an email telling us what your council is doing and send us pictures. Email us at smistretta2@cox.net. We want your council highlighted in the next issue!

CULTURE OF LIFE SURVEY RESULTS FROM 2014 ARE AVAILABLE

The results a 2014 survey of Culture of Life chair couples is available on the state KC web site:

<http://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cultureoflife/>

FREE MATERIALS FROM SUPREME

The Supreme Council has a number of Culture of Life materials to aid you. All of these materials are free of charge except for the shipping. A list of materials can be found at the website:

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/prolife/programs/support_materials.html

Contact the Supreme Council Supply Department to order the material. Note that some of the materials are in electronic form that can be downloaded immediately. You can email your questions or other requests for materials to William.obrien@kofc.org.

CULTURE OF LIFE RESOURCES

TIMELY IMPACT ON LEGISLATION

Are you interested in an easy way to contact your senators and U. S. representatives regarding pro-life issues? If so, you should check out the NCHLA Action Center.



The National Committee for a Human Life Amendment (NCHLA.org) provides an easy way to become aware of federal legislative action regarding pro-life and conscience protection issues. Through email alerts, you can easily contact your representatives to make them aware of your concerns.

In the great civil rights struggle to secure the right to life for all, Archbishop John Roach, testifying on behalf of the Catholic Bishops, expressed the guiding vision:

November 5, 1981 Statement before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution: "We are committed to full legal recognition of the right to life of the unborn child, and will not rest in our efforts until society respects the inherent worth and dignity of every member of the human race."

The National Committee for a Human Life Amendment is dedicated to pursuing this vision. The organization's objectives include educating citizens, developing pro-life legislative networks, and offering programs in support of pro-life legislation. Among its various activities, NCHLA produces educational and program resources,

communicates with leaders about legislative priorities, and presents legislative seminars throughout the year. In a special way, NCHLA assists dioceses, state Catholic conferences, and Catholic lay groups. The Committee also works closely with the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Please take a moment to go to their web site and sign-up for free email alerts: www.nchla.org.

ABORTION PILL REVERSAL

Doctors have discovered that the hormone progesterone, when taken in sufficient doses, can reverse the effects of mifepristone (RU 486). Culture of Life Family Services has established an Abortion Pill Reversal program to make this medical treatment available to women who have taken mifepristone and immediately regret the decision. The treatment has already had many successes resulting in healthy babies. This could be a "game changer." For more information, check out their web site: www.abortionpillreversal.com or call (619) 577-0997 or email apreversal@gmail.com.

A 24/7 hotline is available at (877) 558-0333.



KC ULTRASOUND INITIATIVE

Is your council interested in providing an ultrasound machine for a local pregnancy center? If so, there is a program and resources from the Knights of Columbus available to help you successfully do just that: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/prolife/ultrasound/>.

The Supreme web site provides overview and guidelines documents. There are also two forms that must be submitted to determine if your situation qualifies for this program: 1) Diocesan evaluation (form 9884) and 2) Application to Supreme (form 4886).

Your State Culture of Life Chair Couple is ready to assist your council in participating in this program. Please contact Sam Mistretta (225-975-1501 or smistretta2@cox.net) for assistance.

CULTURE OF LIFE NEWSLETTERS ARE ON THE STATE WEB SITE

By Sam Mistretta (Council 3743)

Thanks to the work of Webmaster Brandon Hendricks, anyone can now access any previous issues of our *Culturae Vitae* newsletters on the State KC web site: [link](#).

This will make it easier for you to share this information with others and utilize the information in your pro-life activities. The newsletter also provides helpful information and ideas to enable your council to receive 100 points in Culture of Life.

YOUR FIRST STOP FOR PRO-LIFE RESOURCES IN LOUISIANA

By Sam Mistretta (Council 3743)

Louisiana is one of the more pro-life states in the union. That is no accident, and continuous efforts are needed to avoid losing ground in our Culture of Death. While the attacks on the human person are global, we should start our efforts locally. There is no better place to look for help than Louisiana Right to Life (<http://www.prolifelouisiana.org/>). Their web site includes a number of helpful resources and their staff is ready to help you. I encourage all councils to contact Louisiana Right to Life and find out how they can help you build a Culture of Life in your community.



You can also sign-up for their email newsletter using the following [link](#).

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC
BISHOPS STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO
U.S. SUPREME COURT MARRIAGE DECISION

The Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops stands deeply saddened and concerned by the United States Supreme Court's decision in the case of *Obergefell v. Hodges*, ruling against defining marriage as between one man and one woman. Such a definition has always been and will remain the belief of Catholic Christians, as supported by Sacred Scripture, natural law, and two thousand years of Christian tradition. Redefining marriage through a narrow majority of a court will present ramifications for families both for the present and the future.

We stand with and affirm our brother bishops of the United States who form the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, as we recognize the need to increase our efforts to strengthen marriage and families while promoting and defending the unique meaning of marriage as being between one man and one woman for life.

While we resolutely stand by this belief, we are called to uphold the dignity of all, even in the face of disagreement. All are loved by God and are called to respect all people. Disrespect and hatred must never be condoned.

This decision indeed marks a historic moment within our nation. The Church will not cease in proclaiming the good news regarding the unique reality of marriage that can only exist between man and woman. Catholic Christians are called in an incredibly important manner to re-affirm and uphold the Sacrament of Matrimony and the sanctity of family life.



DESORMEAUX FOUNDATION

The Desormeaux Foundation, Inc. is dedicated to defending human life at all stages of development, born and unborn. That is, the infant in the womb, the elderly, the handicapped, the homeless and all who are threatened by our present culture of death. The Desormeaux Foundation, Inc. is dedicated to defending the sanctity of marriage, man and woman, and to promoting chaste relationships as the norm in our culture. We believe that Christ is involving all of us in the evangelization of His people to this mission, DEFEND HUMAN LIFE.

Contact them on-line at their web site:
<http://desormeauxfoundation.com/> or phone 337-289-9366 or write to:

The DesOrmeaux Foundation, Inc.
1331 Jefferson St.
Lafayette, LA. 70501



GIANNA CENTER OPENS

The Gianna Center of the Gulf South, an affiliate of the National Gianna Center for Women's Health and Fertility at Saint Peter's Healthcare System in New Brunswick, N.J., hosted a grand-opening celebration on Saturday, July 25th.

The ceremony held at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Covington, La., included the veneration of relics of Saint Gianna Beretta Molla, followed by a Mass at 6 p.m. and a reception. Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond of the Archdiocese of New Orleans led the blessing.

Named for Saint Gianna, the Italian physician who chose to save her baby's life at the cost of her own due to a medical condition, The Gianna Center is designed around the positive aspect of Catholic-inspired health care: a focus on underlying problems and detailed observations of women's menstrual and fertility cycles, enabling alternatives for women that are both ethical and effective. The mission of The Gianna Center of the Gulf South is to provide pro-life family health care.

The Gianna Center of the Gulf South is headed by Christine L. Cimo Hemphill, MD, CFCMC, FCI. Dr. Hemphill is a pro-life, Natural Family Planning only provider, which means she does not prescribe or refer for contraception, sterilizations, abortions, or artificial reproductive technologies such as inseminations or in-vitro fertilization. Dr. Hemphill received her medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina and completed her OB/GYN residency through East Carolina University. In addition, Dr. Hemphill is one of 19 physicians in the United States to complete a fellowship in medical and surgical NaProTechnology® at the Pope Paul VI Institute with Dr. Thomas Hilgers, co-creator of the Creighton Model FertilityCare™ System. The Creighton Model FertilityCare System™ and NaProTechnology® are natural alternatives to in vitro fertilization (IVF) that do not result in multiple births and satisfy any religious concerns. They also are as effective as IFV, minus use of artificial means.

The Center, located at 71380 LA-21, Suite 101, Covington, is open to families throughout the Southeast. For more information about The Center's health services call 985-466-1919, go to www.giannagulfssouth.org or on Facebook: The Gianna Center of the Gulf South.



CULTURE OF LIFE STORIES

PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES IN ABITA SPRINGS

Jim & Vickie Jambon (Council 12529)

Respect Life Ministry at St. Jane de Chantal, Abita Springs had a few of our members attend the incredibly inspiring National Right to Life Convention held in New Orleans in July. More recently, several of our members attended the 40 Days for Life Pre-Campaign Launch Party at St. Angela Merici in Metairie. Everyone enjoyed the event especially being with others who were definitely "Preaux" Life!

STAY CATHOLIC STRONG

By Sam Mistretta (Council 3743)

“Am I my brother's keeper?” (Gen 4:9) This question is as relevant today as it was at the beginning of human history. As faithful Catholics, we know that the answer to this question is YES. However, working for the good of others can take courage. This is especially true for our effort to build a Culture of Life.

Our society has embraced artificial contraception because we are told by the “experts” that this is liberating. We are told that no-fault divorce is good for women. In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) helps infertile couple have the children that they deserve. Embryonic Stem Cell Research can cure many (if not all) diseases. It has not provided any cures yet, but we are assured that they are just a few years away. Everyone knows that cloning is evil, so we have changed the name to somatic cell nuclear transfer so that we can confuse the public and get government funding to do it. But, don't worry. We will only use it for therapeutic purposes and not for reproduction, even though the technique is the same. Trust us to not cross that line! Our society demands control of everything including our death. Suffering is intolerable and must be avoided at all costs. Assisted suicide, oops, I mean death with dignity, is the answer. And now, marriage must be redefined to be whatever we decide it should be. Don't worry about religious freedom because you can trust the Supreme Court of the United State to understand and protect your Constitutional rights.

Our society has lost its way and many are suffering, especially children. The world needs to know Jesus Christ, and Christ can use our good works to bring people to Him. Christian love is a self-sacrificing love. It is a self-forgetful love. We are called to live in the truth and live out our faith in the world, to be salt of the earth. We all should reflect on the meaning of our lives, on what really matters in this short time that we are given on this side of eternity. Membership in the Knights of Columbus gives us many opportunities to live out our faith. Our society has embraced a culture of death. What could be more important than building a Culture of Life?

Stand strong! Stay faithful! Jesus Christ has told us: "In this world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world" (John 16:33).

May God bless you and your family.

PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST

By Michael and Cathy Abbate (Council 9623)

The culture of life chair couple for Council 9623 had a busy month of August. Each day, they are leading the Rosary at the VA home, Twin Oaks Nursing & Convalescent Home or the Place DeBourg Elderly Home in Laplace. On the 6th, they cooked breakfast for the school teachers for their first full day back to school. They also started a new program called the Working Hands Of Mary. A 4 foot plastic statue of Mary with no hands will travel throughout the school. Each child will tell others how they will be the working hands of Mary.

On August 14th, the couple attended the Zephyrs baseball game for Family Night Out. This event includes the altar servers and the special needs children at St. John ARC.

At the end of the month, the couple led a Wheel Chair, Walkers and Adult Diapers Drive at their church.

ALL LIVES MATTER

By John Hauler (Council 9016)

All lives matter, black, white and all colors in between. Planned Parenthood's excuses for the recent expose' videos only prove what pro-lifers have been saying since 1973. It is a baby! People

who say dismemberment is for research therefore prove beyond the shadow of a doubt that the fetus has human organs. If the fetus is a "product of conception" between a human male and a human female, then the result is a human fetus with all human characteristics. It was a baby in 1973 and it is a baby today. Planned Parenthood and other abortionists have been lying for years, apparently convincing the general public as well as the media that a fetus is not a baby until it is allowed to be born. That is to say, that it is wanted.

Too many people have been silent for too long. Babies have been killed with absolutely no feeling whatsoever. The current wave of videos exposing Planned Parenthood's activities are finally getting the people's attention: abortionists are actually destroying infants who have livers, hearts, lungs, kidneys and brains laying in a tray. The abortionist uses ultrasound to ensure they are not damaging the part of the baby's body they wish to harvest. We, as fellow humans, must acknowledge that a human fetus is, in fact, a human baby. Abortion is wrong because it is the intentional killing of a human being. If a doctor is trying to save the life of a woman who is also pregnant one would hope he would try to do his best to save both the mother and child. No one lives forever and it should not be the doctor's choice to decide who lives. He or she must simply do their best to save both mother and child. Both are the patients.

Planned Parenthood makes no such distinction. Kill the baby, harvest the body parts if possible and get paid for doing it. The United States has laws against killing animals, so you would think they would have a law to protect humans, the highest form of animal life. However, the United States is very selective in their choices.

Today human life is cheap. Reading the newspaper everyday tells us just how cheap it is, with the gun violence seemingly increasing. Violence will not stop until society holds human life as sacred, at least as it does for a puppy or a kitten. The choice is ours. It is just a matter of caring and letting our government know that we do in fact care. We should not tolerate evil simply because it exists.

WE MUST SPEAK UP

By John Hauler (Council 9016)

WE MUST SPEAK UP: We are told that we are a “voice for the voiceless” we are “defending the defenseless.” However we are neither if we do nothing. To be a voice for unborn and to defend the unborn, we must SPEAK UP! Prayer is the best thing we can do, but it is certainly not the only thing we can do. The bible tells us faith without works is dead (James 2:26). Please write to your Senators and Representatives on both the State and National level. Let them know you are pleased with their pro-life actions or that they need to be and act more pro-life. There is no reason to stop writing and making your voice heard.

UPCOMING BABY SHOWER

By John Hauler (Council 9016)

Fr. Hurst Council 9016 in Baton Rouge will hold its annual “BABY SHOWER” collecting items after each Mass at St. Louis King of France Church during the month of September. Parishioners are asked to bring items such as diapers, baby wipes, baby bottles, etc. to Mass and leave them in the decorated box in the back of the church. Collected items are gathered each Sunday afternoon and then brought to a Crisis Pregnancy Center.

PROTEST AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD

By Sam and Arline Mistretta (Council 3743)

In light of recent revelations that Planned Parenthood has been harvesting and selling aborted baby parts, a protest at the Planned Parenthood facility at 3955 Government Street in Baton Rouge was held on Saturday, August 22nd, from 9 AM to 11 AM.

This effort was part of a National Day of Protest taking place at Planned Parenthood offices and abortion facilities all across the United States to raise awareness about Planned Parenthood’s trafficking of aborted baby parts. More than 58,000 people turned out at a majority of the PP locations across the nation.

In Baton Rouge, a number of KC councils were represented such as: Allen Kliebert from council 10613, Dale and Judy Tureau from council 8147,

John and Lynn Coco from Council 8601, and Sam and Arline Mistretta and Carolyn McCalip from Council 3743. Also in attendance was Charlotte Bergeron from 40 Days for Life and Thomas Drake from Tradition Family Property of Louisiana (www.tfp.org).

The local media coverage was good. [WAFB](http://www.wafb.com) and the [Advocate](http://www.theadvocate.com) newspaper both had significant coverage of the event.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**CRISIS PREGNANCY FUNDRAISING
BANQUET**

The Ark-La-Tex Crisis Prenancy Center (www.altcpc.com) will have a Life Banquet on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 from 7 to 9 PM at the Shreveport Convention Center. This is their annual fundraising dinner. This year, Abby Johnson, author of the book *Unplanned*, will be the keynote speaker.

Contact Kim at 318-861-4600 or kim@altcpc.com if you wuld like to sponsor a table or obtain more information.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2015**

After 42 years of legal abortion-on-demand in our nation, we must unite in our local communities, and across the nation for an end to abortion. Stand with us this fall to protect women and unborn children from abortion through inter-denominational prayer, peaceful vigil, and community activism.

The 2015 Campaign will take place from September 23rd through November 1st (7 AM to 7 PM daily). Events are held at three locations:

- o Metairie-Causeway Medical Clinic
- o Baton Rouge-Delta Clinic
- o Shreveport-Hope Medical Group

This event saves lives and helps people become knowledgeable and active on the life issues.

This is a major activity for the Knights of Columbus. Make plans for your council and parish to participate in 40 Days for Life!



40 Days for Life Louisiana is an interfaith pro-life effort that involves prayer and fasting. People of faith throughout our city and region are invited to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. It is a peaceful vigil of standing for life through a 40-day peaceful witness outside of a local abortion facility.

For more info, go to:

- o www.40DaysForLifeBR.com
- o www.40DaysForLifeNOLA.com
- o <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/shreveport/>

There is still time for your parish or council to participate in 40 Days for Life. Please contact the State Culture of Life chair couple for assistance.

**CHERS BEBES SOIREE**

Chers Bebes: Acadiana's Soirée For Life will take place on October 13, 2015 at River Oaks in Lafayette. This event will raise funds to form the pro-life future of Acadiana!

This will be an evening for our entire pro-life community to celebrate La Joie de Vivre! The evening will feature delicious food and drink, local Acadian music, and baby shower games.

This fun-filled evening will benefit the Drs. William Smith and Zerben Bienvenu Acadiana Pro-Life Education Fund. The Smith and Bienvenu Fund aims to educate thousands of middle school and

high school students across Acadiana through interactive school-based presentations and activities. Through these efforts, we can strengthen the pro-life spirit of Acadiana for generations to come!

This event will be held in honor of two pioneers who helped develop Acadiana's strong culture of life, Dr. Wilton Bergeron and Ms. Evelun Landry, RN. Dr. Bergeron and Ms. Landry have served Acadiana Right to Life very generously for the past 40 years through education efforts, raising awareness of the humanity of the unborn, and assisting young mothers in need. They have set a remarkable example for today's pro-life generation to follow!

Please join us as a patron to help grow critical pro-life youth education in Lafayette. For more information, go to the event [web site](#).



BORN TO RUN 2015

Again this year, the Woman's New Life Center will have a major fundraising event in Baton Rouge.

WNLC is a life-affirming counseling and medical center that serves women facing unplanned pregnancies in the Greater New Orleans and Baton Rouge areas. WNLC offers a unique range of services, including:

- Professional counseling
- Pregnancy testing and ultrasounds
- Medical history review
- Case management
- Adoption facilitation
- Professional post-abortion counseling
- Creighton Model FertilityCare
- Internship/residency programs

Dear Knights,

Your participation is wanted and needed to help save the lives of the unborn and protect their mothers from its violence. It would be a honor to have all of you, your families and parish families involved with Born to Run Baton Rouge 2015. Your participation will save lives and protect lives. Please pass this to all of the councils serving within the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

Contact me, Ali Dazzio, 225-241-9822 or adazzio@womansnewlife.com for details. I can't wait to hear from y'all!

Sponsorship opportunities are available and the deadline for confirming participation is Friday, September 18, 2015. Visit their website at: www.womansnewlife.com/borntorun.



5K RUN
& 1 MILE FUN RUN AND WALK

UPCOMING PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES IN ABITA SPRINGS

Sept. – PSR Spiritual Adoption Program begins

Oct. 4th - Respect Life Sunday / Slidell Life Chain

Oct. 10th & 11th - Annual Diaper Drive for Crisis
Pregnancy Centers

Oct. 24th - St. Jane Vigil date for 40 DFL,
Ridgelake, Metairie

LIFE FEST IN BATON ROUGE**Life Fest 2015: Created in God's Image - The Dignity of the Human Person**

The Diocese of Baton Rouge is organizing a new pro-life event on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 10 AM to 4PM at the Tracy Center Ballroom at 1800 S. Acadian Thruway in Baton Rouge.



Join us on Saturday, October 10 for our Diocesan Life Fest! This celebration of life will have something for everyone! It features renowned speakers, music by Greg & Lizzy, kids track for ages 5-11, Eucharistic Adoration and more! The day will conclude with the Annual Bishop's Respect Life Mass at 4:00 PM.

The keynote speaker will be Brian Butler, Executive Director of Dumb Ox Ministries and co-author of both Theology of the Body for Teens: High School and Middle School Editions.

There will be breakout topics and presenters:

- Feed the Hungry: The Reality of True Hunger in the World - Fr. Josh Johnson
- The Dignity of the Family as Domestic Church - David Dawson, Jr.
- The Abortion Discussion: A Failure to Communicate - Ariel Roland, LSMW
- Theology of Her Body (women only) - Sarah Denny
- Theology of His Body (men only) - Adam Fuselier
- Connecting the Pro-Life Dots: A Consistent Ethic of Life - Danielle Van Haute

Register [here](#) for this free event! For more information, visit www.MFLDIOBR.org

EDUCATION CORNERINTERNET VIDEO RECOMMENDATION

By Sam Mistretta (Council 3743)

The controversy surrounding Planned Parenthood has many people discussing the issue of abortion. Please check out this wonderfully clear and well produced 6 minute YouTube video from Catholic Answers: [link](#). Spread the word!

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INFORMATION FROM THE USCCB

As part of the recently completed National NFP Awareness week, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has provided some educational literature related to natural family planning. Please check out the material on their web site: [link](#).



POST-ABORTION HEALING RESOURCES

In light of the chilling recent videos released regarding the practices of Planned Parenthood, we encourage you to help promote the post-abortion healing resources that are available in the diocese of Baton Rouge and beyond. At current rates, nearly one-third of American women will have an abortion at some point in their lives. For those women and men who have been involved in an abortion, in whatever way, the current media attention on Planned Parenthood may be stirring up feelings of unresolved guilt and remorse. This is an opportunity to reach out to them with mercy and a message of hope. Resources may be found at this web site: [link](#).



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For your School, Group, or Church?

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or email us at info@ProLifeLouisiana.org
www.ProLifeLouisiana.org/Speaking

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INTERNET ARTICLES OF INTEREST

[Foundations pouring millions into campaign to eradicate religious exemptions on gay 'marriage'](#)

[Court Tells Family-Run Pharmacy It Must Provide Contraception Despite Religious Objections](#)

[Same-Sex 'Marriage' Negates Both Reason and Reality](#)

[New Definitions Of Stem Cells Causing Confusion](#)

[The Pity of Christ](#)

[Greed Has Always Driven the Abortion Industry](#)

[New Video Delves Deeper Into Planned Parenthood's Fetal-Tissue Trade](#)

[The Death of God and the Loss of Human Dignity](#)

[Planned Parenthood Tells Reporters To Suppress Coverage, Reporters Happily Agree](#)

[Gay-Rights Advocate Wants to Win Religious-Liberty Fight Within Three Years](#)

[If We're Serious About Defunding PP, Here's How We Can Do It](#)

[Saints TE Ben Watson speaks out about Planned Parenthood and abortion](#)

[Following the Supreme Court's Logic in Obergefell, Is Polyamorous 'Marriage' Next?](#)

[Why the Effort to Make Same-Sex 'Marriage' Sacramental Is Doomed to Fail](#)

[No Abortion, No Gays in Massive New UN Development Goals](#)

[Effort to Defund Planned Parenthood Fails, Falls Mostly on Party Lines](#)

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[Interview with Dr. Janet Smith of the Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit](#)

[The Pro-Life Movement is a Battle, But It's a Battle of Love](#)

[False Courage and True Courage](#)

[Planned Parenthood Videos Sway Cultural Tides](#)

[Death, Inc.](#)

[The 7 Most Important Takeaways From The 5th Planned Parenthood Exposé](#)

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[David Becomes Goliath after Obergefell](#)

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[How to Defend Planned Parenthood \(When There's No Real Defense\)](#)

[Archbishop Chaput: Other Moral Issues Not Equivalent to Abortion](#)

[Why News Corporations Protect Planned Parenthood](#)

[Sexual Dysfunction: The Latest Progressive Imposition](#)

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['We Are Ambassadors to the Pro-Life Cause' Born premature at 22 weeks, identical twins are sharing the truth about abortion](#)

[StemExpress cuts ties with Planned Parenthood](#)

[Marco Rubio educates CNN's Chris Cuomo: 'Science has decided when it's human life'](#)

[UN Development Goals for 'Reproductive Health' Would Increase Abortions Globally](#)

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[Post-'Obergefell,' Mississippi Remains the Only State to Ban Gay Adoptions](#)

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[Planned Parenthood Skirts Laws Around the Globe](#)

[Catholic Colleges Must Take Steps to Instill Pro-Life Values on Campus](#)

[Pro-life advocates line sidewalks nationwide outside 300+ Planned Parenthood centers](#)

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[Protest and Prayers for Planned Parenthood: 'America Is Waking Up and Speaking Out'](#)

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['It's a Human Decency Thing'](#)

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[A Tech Company May Have Received Whole Fetuses for Tissue Harvesting](#)

[We Will Be Seen As Barbarians Because Of Abortion](#)

AMERICAN LIFE LEAGUE

American Life League is a charitable organization co-founded in 1979 by Judie Brown and nine other dedicated pro-life Americans. It is the largest grassroots Catholic pro-life education organization in the United States. ALL is committed to the protection of all innocent human beings from the moment of creation to death. It is rooted in pro-life integrity that stands up for every innocent human being whose life is threatened by what Pope John Paul II called “the culture of death.”

Their web site www.all.org has a wealth of Culture of Life information, including extensive material on abortion, contraception, euthanasia, IVF, stem cells, and more. The site includes a number of free articles and news stories. They also have an on-line store to purchase educational pamphlets.

If you are looking for solid Catholic pro-life content, then check out this organization.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Three pro-life premises:

1. **The scientific premise** is that the life of the individual member of every animal species, begins at conception, when a genetically new and genetically complete individual first comes into existence. This truism was taught in all biology textbooks in America that were written before abortion was legalized, in 1972, but not by most of those that were written after 1972. Yet the new textbooks did not appeal to a single new scientific discovery to justify their change. Draw your own conclusions from those data. So, all humans are human, whether they are dying humans, or old humans, or mature humans, or young humans, or infantile humans, or fetal humans, or embryonic humans.

2. **The moral premise** is that all humans have the right to life because all humans are human. All humans have human nature, have the human essence, are essentially equal. The universal right to life is a deduction from the most obvious of moral rules, the Golden Rule, or Justice, or Equality. Since you do not want others to kill you against your will, you ought not to kill others against their will. It is just not fair, not just.

3. **The legal premise** is that the law must protect the most basic human rights. If all humans are human, and if all humans have a right to life, and if the law must protect human rights, then the law must protect the right of all humans to life.

I repeatedly hear pro-choicers themselves admit that abortion is not about babies but about “quality of life” or “lifestyles”, which is usually a euphemism for sex. It makes sense, after all, for the only reason a woman wants abortion is as backup birth control, and birth control is the demand to have sex without having babies.

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PRAYER OF THE MONTH