

# Life News

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"He who denies that human life begins with conception does not need to contend with religion, but science. To deny this certainty of biology is not to express a lack of faith, but a lack of basic knowledge of human genetics, something that is even known by the general public." ~ Ecuadorian Federation of Societies of Gynecology and Obstetrics, April 17, 2008

### 2022 LICL and LICL Educational Trust Events

Thanks to the many who answer the call, the many who join LICL in presenting a constant, visible, pro-life message through Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

Please join us in our 2023 activities as well. Events will be posted in future issues of *Life News*.



Independence Day Face the Truth in Lake Grove 7/3/22



Good Friday Face the Truth NUMC Center 4/15/22 Next Year's date: 4/7/23



Stand Up for Life 10/2/22 Next year's date: 10/1/23



LICLET Oratory Contest 3/26/22 Nest Year's date: 3/25/23

Dear Defenders of Life,

There are many ways you can support the pro-life cause - by prayer, by peaceful witnessing at abortion mills, by writing letters to the editors, by political action and by financial support. As Chair of the Long Island Coalition for Life, I am asking for your financial support at this time. The LICL is a completely voluntary organization. Its Board of Directors and committee members receive no financial compensation. All of your contributions go directly for pro-life work.

Education is the first and foremost purpose of the LICL. We have provided pro-life speakers at Long Island high schools and colleges. We have pro-life displays at street fairs. We have a presence at abortion mills where we distribute business-size cards that provide crisis pregnancy help phone numbers and websites. Our biggest expense is the publication of Life News, an essential educational tool.

This past summer, our Educational Trust sponsored pro-life fly over banners seen on Long Island beaches with the message "Have Courage, Carry Hope, Say No to Abortion." The LICL has also sponsored lobbybus trips to Albany to stop anti-life legislation such as abortion and assisted suicide bills. Sadly, the Abortion on Demand Bill was passed in January 2019, but we are still fighting doctor-prescribed suicide bills, with the false, harmless sounding title, "Medical Aid in Dying." Like abortion, which was only supposed to be for the so called "hard cases," but has been expanded to abortion on demand through all nine months of pregnancy, so will it be for doctor-prescribed suicide. First like the proposed NYS bill, it will be for patients with a terminal illness predicted to die within six months. However, like Belgium, the Netherlands and Canada, it will be expanded to the mentally and physically disabled, who feel they have a "duty to die" in order to spare their family emotional and financial costs. The slippery slope is real.

The historian, Hannah Arendt, once described Nazism as "the banality of evil." By this, she meant that evil had been normalized in Nazi Germany. And of course, in our own country the evil of slavery had once been normalized. In the United States today, we average over 2,500 abortions a day, more than 60 million since the Supreme Court legalized abortion through all nine-months of pregnancy with its Roe v. Wade & Doe v. Bolton decisions in January 1973. Thank God, Roe was overturned by the Supreme Court, but nothing has changed in New York State. Its barbaric abortion on demand law is still in effect because the Supreme Court decision returned abortion law to the states.

We in the pro-life movement are fighting against this normalization of the killing of pre-born babies through abortion and the killing of the elderly, the depressed, and disabled through doctor-prescribed suicide which will turn doctors into killers.

Please help us to continue our educational efforts to end this killing by contributing whatever you can afford so that together we can win this fight for all those who cannot defend themselves.

Thank you for your support and prayers.

For His Innocents,

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George E. Frost LICL Chairman

P.S. Please use the enclosed postage-paid envelope and the coupon on page 7 to volunteer and/or send your year-end donation. We want to keep Long Island moving in the pro-life direction. Gift subscriptions to Life News are another way you can spread the pro-life message. Just check off the gift subscription box in the page 7 coupon and return with your \$18.00 subscription donation. Photocopy the coupon if you are making several or go to our website ProLifeLI.org. Thank you!

#### **Pro-life Educational Gift Packet Offer**

To celebrate its 25 years of sponsoring the Stand Up For Life, the Long Island Coalition for Life distributed thank you gift bags to participants at the October 2, 2022 event. We appreciate those who have taken the time over these many years to stand publicly on behalf of the preborn baby humans. We have extra gift bags and are offering them to you to continue spreading the pro-life message. The packet (plastic bag with a pro-life design) contains a pen, magnet, button, Stand Up For Life pin, bookmark, and flier with local pro-life resources. To receive a packet, please send your donation of \$4 to cover the postage (\$5 for 2 packets) to: LI Coalition for Life, PO Box 247, Old Bethpage NY 11804. Start sharing and displaying these items to help save lives!



### FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Sen. Graham [R-SC] introduced **S.4840**, the *Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act* - 2022, in Sept. It would set a national 15-week abortion ban, with the usual exceptions. In Oct. Senators Grassley [R-IA] and Lee [R-UT] said they would vote NO on the bill, since 'the GOP has been saying for

nearly 50 years that abortion is a matter for the states to decide'. The House version of the bill, **HR.8814**, (introduced by Rep. Chris Smith, R-NJ) has 100 cosponsors, none from L.I.

On Oct. 11, SCOTUS declined (without comment), to hear Servants of Christ for Life v McKee, which sought to overturn Rhode Island's 2019 Reproductive Privacy Act (RPA). The RPA replaced a pre-Roe law acknowledging fetal personhood from the moment of conception.

<u>California Gov. Newsom</u> has signed 13 pro-abortion bills this fall. One, **AB.1242**, bans CA law enforcement from responding to warrants (re abortion) from pro-life states, if the abortion in question would be legal in California. It also says California-based tech companies can't comply with subpoenas or wiretaps, nor provide personal info (search histories or geo-location data) re abortion seekers, in response to the same kind of (abortion-related) warrants. Thus, the tech companies face legal action if they do, or don't, respond to the warrant. Note that no state has, so far, set penalties for a woman seeking an out-of-state abortion, but **AB.1242** may thwart crime investigations. Laws and courts will continue to shape a post-*Dobbs* USA.

<u>Radio host Mark Levin</u> said his sources tell him the Biden Administration will release many Executive Orders after Election Day.

On Oct. 5, eleven pro-life "rescuers" (including an 87-year-old survivor of a Yugoslav internment camp) were charged with FACE act violations for their "blockade" of the Mt. Juliet abortion facility in Nashville, TN. On Oct. 19, Herb Geraghty was charged with violating FACE for conspiring with Lauren Handy in Oct. 2020 to blockade the Washington, DC Surgi-Center. Late term aborted fetal remains were recovered outside Surgi-Center.

So far in 2022: 25 indictments of non-violent pro-lifers. Zero arrests of people attacking churches or pro-life organizations. On Nov. 4, GOP representatives on the House Judiciary Committee released a 1050-page report 'slamming' the uneven prosecutions.

A long planned 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibit opened Oct. 24 at Harvard, titled *The Age of Roe: The Past, Present, and Future of Abortion in America*. "Obviously, we had to adjust a bit..." said Prof. Mary Ziegler, exhibit curator.

An Arizona Court and an Ohio Judge have temporarily halted their state's new (near total) abortion bans.

A 2011 South Dakota law requires a woman to visit a Pregnancy Help Center before an abortion. PP sued, and the law never took effect. The 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals threw out PP's lawsuit on Oct. 7, 2022.

<u>The government of Greensboro, NC</u> agreed that eight members of Love Life Christian Ministries, exercising 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment rights outside an abortion facility, were improperly arrested for alleged violation of COVID restrictions.

<u>South Carolina's legislature</u> is trying to compromise on abortion restrictions - the Senate rejected the Assembly's stricter regulations. They are still working on an agreement.

On Oct. 14, a public hearing was held in Philadelphia, re a lawsuit seeking to block the city's donation of \$500K in public funds to Abortion Liberation Fund of Pennsylvania.

Retired nurse Joan Jacobson was going door-to-door in Michigan, urging a NO vote on Proposal 3, which would legalize abortion up to birth. An argument at the home of a woman in Lake Odessa ensued, ending with her husband shooting and wounding Joan. A judge has ordered him to stand trial.

NY Times reports that in the first 2 months after the *Dobbs* ruling, the number of US women ordering abortion pills from overseas "jumped significantly."

<u>Conscience protection</u> - A Federal judge has ruled that two women, with differing, but deeply held religious/moral beliefs, do not have to comply with Indiana's law requiring facilities to cremate or bury aborted or miscarried fetal remains.



### NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

Gov. Hochul added \$13.4M to NY's "Abortion Provider Support Fund" to aid 37 abortion providers at 64 sites.

As reported last month, earlier this year the NYS Legislature passed S51002/A41002, the NYS Equality **Amendment,** to revise the NYS Constitution which states that no person shall be subject to discrimination in their civil rights based on listed attributes/conditions (e.g., race or religion). The expanded list would include based on "pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, and reproductive healthcare and autonomy." The amendment must be passed in the Legislature again this upcoming session, and then be put on the ballot and approved by NYS voters before it can take effect. We urge all readers to contact their NYS Senator and Assemblyperson and tell them to vote NO on this amendment. Discrimination based on pregnancy outcome is just another euphemism for unrestricted abortion on demand in all 9 months of pregnancy. In addition, the proposed amendment will 'empower the State to violate the religious liberties' of many New Yorkers. It is an updated version of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment that was defeated by New Yorkers in 1975.

For info on life issues/bills being considered in the NYS Legislature see: albanyupdate.com, nysrighttolife.org, nyscatholic.org

#### **CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS (Clip & Save)**

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To discuss Federal Legislation, e-mail Charles Feldman at cdefeldman@optonline.net. To discuss State Legislation, e-mail Jim Miller at jimmiller9@aol.com.

### HEALTH & SCIENCE "Partial Resurrection"



On October 13, 2022, MercatorNet.com carried an article by Matthew Hanley warning of the latest procedure transplant surgeons are using. Hanley asked, "Are you familiar with something called the "partial resurrection" procedure? That's how MedPage Today referred to it in a recent article [9/28/22 by Randy Dotinga]. You might suppose it is some kind of transhumanist scheme to bring the dead back to life, but it is an emerging technique used by transplantation surgeons upon organ donors. Before knowing anything about this procedure, the first thing one notices is the hubris of the terminology – as if it were within the purview of scientists, even surgeons, to deliver some sort of "resurrection". Since that is not possible, we may conclude, through elementary logic, that this transplantation procedure is carried out on a person who has not yet died and is therefore living."

Doctors declare a patient dead "prematurely" (shortly after heart failure). However, they "deploy interventions to resume circulation in the patient in order to optimize organ viability. But – get this – they deliberately block the circulation of oxygenated blood from reaching the brain. Ensuring that the brain is deprived of oxygenated blood while other organs are being perfused with it does two things: it preserves organs for transplantation, and it ensures that the patient dies – at the hands of the surgeons, in a manner other than the patient had already been naturally dying... Normothermic Regional Perfusion (NRP) involves using technologies such as Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO) or cardiopulmonary bypass for a very specific purpose: to restore a measure of circulation in order to keep the desired organs perfused with oxygenated blood. But this circulation is targeted – and restricted. This is what the "regional" in the name of this induced perfusion technique means. It is specifically designed to prevent circulating blood from reaching the brain, ensuring that brain death will occur."

Hanley noted that not all countries allow NRP, but it is permitted and expanding in the US. He warned that "firm limits" are needed: "Given the singular nature of death, we need a standard that is objective, reasonable, and reliable – one that supplies the requisite moral certainty that a person has died. This standard should also apply to patients who are not organ donors. Any deviation from this standard must be resisted...This novel, convoluted, and troubling NRP technique gives us an opportunity to take a step back and revisit some fundamental questions. About mortality. About motivations. About the appropriate use of technology. We need to push back against the plundering of patients on their way out."

#### "The Dead Donor Rule"

LifeNews.com posted an article by bioethicist Wesley Smith on October 19, 2022, in which he warned that the Dead Donor Rule (DDR) is under attack. Wesley Smith stated, "In recent years, the commitment of organized medicine to the DDR has become so badly frayed that many influential voices are calling for the rule to be repealed altogether. The most recent example was just published in the influential Journal of Medical Ethics. Authored by University of Utah bioethicist Anthony P. Smith, the article urges that doctors be allowed to harvest the vital organs of cognitively disabled people such as the late Terri Schiavo – while they're still alive. Here's the gist of the argument: What matters most in organ donation isn't the death of the donor, but consent to harvesting, particularly if the living patient has been diagnosed as permanently unconscious. In such cases, killing isn't morally wrong because it doesn't harm the patient, who [Anthony] Smith says no longer has "ultimate interests." Anthony Smith stated, "without consciousness, a person can have no wants or desires" therefore "one cannot be harmed because one has no interests to be thwarted or impeded."

Wesley Smith argued that Anthony Smith's argument "would dehumanize people thought to be unconscious and strip their lives of all meaning. Indeed, it would mean that their beings wouldn't have to be protected – even though there are many cases of the supposedly permanently unconscious unexpectedly awakening or proving to have been misdiagnosed. (One recent study found that one in five patients thought to be unconscious were actually awake. An earlier study pegged that number as up to 40 percent.)" W. Smith questioned whether violence against an unconscious patient would then be permissible, "since they would have no continuing interest in their body's integrity." In addition, if it's okay to kill patients for their organs, would it be okay to experiment on them as well?

W. Smith noted that "killing for organs may have already leaped from advocacy to implementation by blurring the line between what's called "brain death" and "heart death." Dead is dead, we might say, but there are two approaches to declaring that a life has ended." Brain death "involves the irreversible cessation of the whole brain and each of its functions." Heart death means "irreversible cardiac arrest." He notes that the key word is "irreversible". W. Smith warned that "normothermic regional perfusion with controlled donation after circulatory death (NRP-cDCD) ...is quietly being tested or implemented across the country... This isn't only immoral – and arguably illegal as a violation of the DDR – but it also represents another in a long series of violations that have bred so much public distrust in institutions...Some lines should never be crossed. Allowing doctors to kill patients during organ harvesting wouldn't only be an acute threat to the sanctity of life, but I can think of no better way to sow mistrust in our health care system generally – and the lifesaving field of organ transplant medicine specifically. Reducing living patients to so many organ farms ripe for the harvest isn't only blatantly immoral, it's also profoundly unwise."

**Key:** (M) = MONTHLY(W) = WEEKLY

**PRO-LIFE PRAYERFUL PRESENCE**. Scheduled times at local abortion provider/referral sites are listed below. To volunteer, speak with the contact person before going to a site. **Never witness alone**. **Your presence**, **if even for 30 min. a month**, **is important**. **Note:** Vigils & Witnesses are **NOT** sponsored by the LICL and are provided for informational purposes.

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Nassau County - Location	Day/Time_	<b>Contact Phone</b>	<b>IMPORTANT</b> :
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	(W) Sa 10AM-Noon	516-270-3845	abortion site is a lawful
" "	(W) Fr 11 AM - Noon	516-359-1298	First Amendment right.
Suffolk County - Location	<b>Day/Time</b>	Contact Phone (631)	
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_	We, Fr. & Sa 7:30-10:30	AM 813-3412	
42 First Ave, Brentwood	(W) Sa 9:40-10:15 AM	665-3630	all
877 E. Main St, Riverhead	(W) We 2-4 PM	323-8001	Ad A Pallace
450 Waverly Ave, Patchogue	(M) 2nd & 4th We & Sa 10 AM-noon		
	& 2nd & 4th We 3-5 PN	M 615-1735	

#### **Pro-Life Counseling Centers nearest to abortion sites:**

Women First Pregnancy Options: (Four locations): Massapequa 516-798-9100, 35 East Willow St, at E end of Surrise Mall behind White Castle, (bilingual) open Mo-Fr, 10 AM-4 PM, Sa 9 AM-Noon (by appt. only); Hempstead 516-408-6300, 474 Fulton Av (Rt 24) (bilingual) open Mo-Fr 10 AM-4:30 PM & Sa 9AM-1PM; Deer Park 631-243-0066, 1767 Deer Park Ave, (bilingual) open Mo 10 AM-8 PM, Tu-Fr 10 AM-4 PM. (Closed Sa), Smithtown 631-656-0441, 91 Maple Ave.

#### Local Pro-Life Viewing/Listening:

EWTN Opt. Ch 135, Verizon Ch 285: Defending Life hosted by Priests for Life: Sun. 11 PM; Pro-Life Weekly: Thurs. 10 PM Long Island Teen Freedom "Sexual Risk Avoidance Education" - Life Center of L.I. - Wed., 3 PM Altice Ch 155

AFA of NY Programs on YouTube.com; then in Search bar: AFA New York; then click on AFA NY; then select VIDEOS

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### **Student-Sponsored Baby Shower**



Recipients of the Maureen Nolan / St. Thomas Knights of Columbus scholarship held a shower for the Unborn Child on 10/16/22. As shown here, the high school students gathered gifts from family and friends and the donations will be given to Mommas House.

### **WEEKLY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Rosary for Life every Fri. at 3 PM on Zoom sponsored by DRVC OHLFB. Meeting ID: 856 4708 7922; Passcode: 677757; Call In #: 1 (646) 876-9923. For more info email Donna at dcrean@drvc.org
- Holy Hour for Life St. Joseph RCC, 59 Church St., Kings Park every Mon. at 7 PM. This is also live-streamed. For more info call 631-269-6635.
- **Right to Life Rosary** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Chapel, 495 N. Ocean Ave., Patchogue every Thurs. at 7 PM. For more info call 631-475-4739.

### High School 2023 Scholarship Award

The LI Coalition for Life Educational Trust invites all high school seniors (including home schooled) in Nassau & Suffolk counties to take part in its 2023 High School Scholarship Award. Applicants are to participate in and engage their peers in respect for human life activities. Students will be evaluated on their level of involvement, creative advocacy and dedication in supporting respect for human life.

For more info and an application, please visit ProlifeED.org/Events. Also, stay tuned for more info in *Life News*.

## SAVE THE DATE! Annual Pro-Life Oratory Contest

The Long Island Coalition for Life Educational Trust will sponsor a Pro-Life Oratory Contest for High School Juniors and Seniors on Saturday, 3/25/23. Participants have the opportunity to express in a logical and organized way, their respect for the life of every individual, no matter how small or incapacitated. For more info and application please visit ProlifeED.org/Events. Also, stay tuned for more info in *Life News*.

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You're Invited The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our next meeting is Mon., Dec. 26 at 7:30 PM at the

Joseph Barry K of C Hall, 45 Heitz Place, Hicksville. We will have refreshments after the meeting to celebrate the Christmas season.

Please join us! All are welcome! For information call 631-243-1435.

### 33rd Annual National Night of **Prayer for Life**

Thurs., Dec. 8 - 9 PM to Fri., Dec. 9 - 1 AM

To register your Church or find nearest location contact Miriam 631-252-8258 or Mary 717-533-4846; e-mail: evecampfield@hotmail.com. Website: Nationalnightofprayerforlife.org

SAVE THE DATE! Fri., 1/20/23 Annual March for Life, Washington DC

Additional info in Jan/Feb 2023 edition of *Life News*. Marchforlife.org

### Face the Truth - Jan. 22, 2023

While we celebrate the overturning of Roe v Wade, tiny children in the womb are still being aborted throughout Long Island, as abortion on demand through all 9 months is legal in NYS. Please join the Long Island Coalition for Life for the Roe v.



Wade Memorial Face the Truth event on Sunday, January 22, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., on the sidewalk in front of Nassau University Medical Center (2201 Hempstead Turnpike, East Meadow). This peaceful event is held as a public witness against the tragedy of abortion. Be a positive sign for LIFE! Signs available. Sponsored by LICL: (631) 243-1435, info@prolifeLI.org.

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