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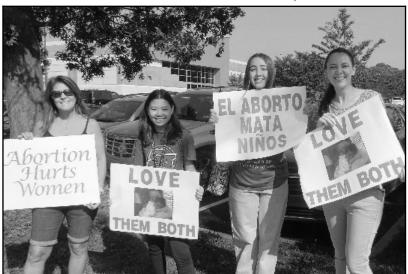
"A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying." ~ Pope John Paul II

Stand Up For Life - Thank You & Save the Date!

The *Stand Up For Life* event held October 5th was a wonderful and meaningful gathering. There were approximately 279 people in Huntington and 80 people in Manorville. While we had room for many more attendees, we are truly grateful for all who came out to stand in support of the dignity of human life. Thank you also to our volunteers. The LICL could not continue with this event without the many, dedicated volunteers!

Please mark your calendars for next year's event on Sunday, October 4, 2026. Let's make it an even greater show of unity and purpose! For 29 years, the Long Island Coalition for Life has been a dedicated sponsor of this event. Come out next year to show your appreciation for their steadfast commitment and to Stand Up For the protection of all human Life.

We continue to be FAITHFUL, VIGILANT and COMMITTED to defending LIFE!



SUFL Huntington

What is Stand Up for Life? We are a volunteer committee under the Long Island Coalition for Life. SUFL is part of the National Life Chain. We stand with thousands of pro-life individuals throughout the USA and Canada in honor of millions of babies whose lives have been lost to abortion. We stand as a witness to LIFE to bring awareness and pray it will lead to action to those who stand with us and those who pass us by on the roadways. It is a family-friendly event. We provide signs at our sites that conform to the principles of the National Life Chain. We do NOT use graphic signs and we always ask that people not bring their own signs as it disrupts the conformity and unity of our Mission.



SUFL Manorville

Statement adapted from LifeChain.net's website: LIFE CHAIN is a peaceful, prayerful public witness standing in remembrance of more than 65 million lives lost to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity that abortion kills children, hurts women and men, and that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death.



The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our next monthly General Meeting will take place on Mon., Nov. 24 at 7:30 PM at St. Joseph Church Gymnasium, 45 Church St., Ronkonkoma.

All are welcome - please join us! For further info, call LICL at 631-243-1435.

ATTENTION H.S. JUNIORS & SENIORS

High school students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades, including home schoolers, are invited to participate in our 22nd annual Pro Life Oratory Contest. You have the voice, the enthusiasm, the spirit and the opportunity to speak up for the voiceless and marginalized members of the human family - the pre-born, the frail elderly and the disabled.

Please consider participating in the annual Oratory Contest sponsored by the Long Island Coalition for Life Educational Trust to be held at Joseph Barry Council Knights of Columbus, 45 Heitz Place, Hicksville, NY on Saturday, March 7th, 2026 at 1 PM.

You will have the opportunity to express in a logical and organized way your respect for the life of every individual no matter how small or incapacitated. The first, second and third place winners will receive \$1000, \$600 and \$400 respectively.

You may focus your 5-7 minute speech on one of the following topics:

- Abortion
- Assisted Suicide
- Bioethics (as it relates to pro-life)
- Black Genocide (through abortion)
- Cloning/Stem Cell Research
- Ectogenesis
- Eugenics (as it relates to pro-life)
- Euthanasia

- Fetal Development (in the context of abortion)
- Infanticide
- Legal Points Right to Life
- Men & Abortion
- Post Abortion
- Pro-Life Apologetics
- Special Needs/Down Syndrome (as it relates to pro-life)

Contestants can refer to notes during speech but should not read it. Applications are available at www.ProlifeEd.org/Events. Please return the completed applications along with your written speech to MakeRoom4Him@gmail.com by February 2, 2026.

Build Pro-Life Awareness with an LICL Speaker

In order to educate more people on pro-life issues, pro-lifers themselves need to have the knowledge and tools to converse with others. The Long Island Coalition for Life would like to speak with organizations to help build pro-life awareness and engage more people in this critical movement. Whether your group has 5 or 25 participants, we welcome an invitation to meet with them. In addition to right to life groups, we're interested in speaking with K of C councils, youth groups (especially needed!), CDAs, various ministry groups, and other opportunities.

Possible speaking engagements include the following. If you have other suggestions or requests for the LICL, please contact us.

Introduce the LICL: The LICL member will attend your group's meeting, explain what the LICL does and exchange ideas on how to better build a pro-life network and activities.

Pro-Life Question & Answer meeting: An informal open discussion with those looking to handle pro-life / pro-abortion 'talking points,' which are often difficult and contentious.

Making the Case for Life: Video by Trent Horn; gives guidelines & insight to help pro-lifers speak persuasively and kindly to those who disagree with or don't understand pro-life positions.

In Vitro Fertilization: Videos that describe/discuss IVF – what it is, how it is done, and some pitfalls from a pro-life perspective.

Abortion Pill Reversal: Video by American Association of Pro-life Ob/Gyns explaining chemical abortion and APR. It debunks statements by pro-abortionists who are trying to stop APR.

Assisted Suicide: Video by Wesley Smith who clearly explains the fundamental case against assisted suicide and euthanasia and the tragic consequences for humanity when a culture 'treats' suffering by abandonment and elimination of the sufferers.



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

HR.5160, the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Reauthorization Act of 2025, would give over \$280M thru 2031 to collect and store placentas (cord blood) and

bone marrow - sources of non-life-destructive stem cells, used to treat over 75 diseases /ailments. The new funds will continue the National Cord Blood Inventory and the cell transplantation program, which was established in 2005. The non-profit National Marrow Donor Program oversees the projects. Rep. Chris Smith [R-NJ] introduced the bill. Currently there are no LI Reps listed as cosponsors. Contact your Rep. to urge them to support this bill. There is no Senate companion bill yet.

HR.21/S.6, the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, passed in the House in January, but a Senate motion to proceed to a vote failed. California law states that coroners can't investigate babies dying from known/suspected abortions through the 'perinatal' period (28 days after birth). The American Center for Law and Justice warns this could hide infanticide. They urge the US Senate to pass S.6.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has been funding 17 grants that use aborted fetal tissue for testing and research and are scheduled to continue to be funded through 2026. The NIH has indicated that it will not renew the grants, which were worth almost \$22 million in FY 2024. During Pres. Trump's first term, he banned new funding for research using fetal tissue. Biden reversed the policy. NIH said that its policy going forward will ensure that taxpayer-funded research is conducted "responsibly and transparently."

The US Supreme Court began its 2025-26 term Oct. 6. A case to watch is First Choice Women's Resource Centers, Inc. v. Platkin. In late 2023, NJ Attorney General Matt Platkin charged First Choice PRCs with hiding their pro-life stance from clients, but not their donors. He asked for their donor list and said Abortion Pill

Federal Legilsation continued....

Reversal was misinformation. First Choice said this violated their free speech, and search and seizure rights. The Supreme Court heard the case in May 2024 but did not halt the donor subpoenas. The battle continued in lower courts, and the Supreme Court has now decided to re-hear the case.



NEW YORK STATE

Medical Aid in Dying Bill: In the June newsletter, we incorrectly said the NYS Legislature had adjourned sine die (til next year). A Queens pro-lifer asked Kristen

Curran (NYS Catholic Conference) about this, and she replied, "Our legislature never formally adjourns." They 'recess', with no more 2025 meetings scheduled. Thus, they can call themselves back in a 'special session', without the Governor's approval, but they aren't 'adjourned'. Since the Legislature is still 'in session', any bill that is allowed to formally arrive on the Governor's desk gets, not 30 days, but a 10-day period for the governor to act. If there is no veto, the bill becomes law. Gov. Hochul can do nothing for the 10 days, knowing the MAID bill will become law, and when running for re-election next year, she could say in truth, "I didn't sign the Assisted Suicide bill". At a Sept. 26 press conference, she didn't indicate if she would pass or veto the bill. The *Tablet* reported on 9/29, "she spoke about separating her personal [Catholic] beliefs from her decisionmaking as governor and acknowledged the passion on both sides of the assisted suicide issue."

ACTION ITEM: Governor's Phone: 1-518-474-8390; 9am-5pm Gov. Hochul must veto the Medical Aid in Dying Bill if/when it comes to her desk to prevent it from becoming law. **TAKE ACTION** – For contact info on legislators at all levels go to: prolifeli.org/index.php/legislative **OR** usa.gov/elected-officials

NOVEMBER 4, 2025 ELECTION INFORMATION

The LICL sends out Candidate Questionnaires each election cycle so that we can better inform our readers of where the candidates stand on pro-life issues. The seven questions asked & the responses received as of printing of this issue of Life News are below.

- 1. Would you vote for legislation to protect innocent human life from conception to natural death?
- 2. Would you vote against use of taxpayer money to fund abortion?
- 3. Would you vote for Parental Consent for a minor seeking an abortion?
- 4. Would you vote for legislation requiring Informed Consent for a woman seeking an abortion?
- 5. Would you vote for legislation to prevent the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide?
- 6. Would you vote to ban all human cloning and research that destroys a human embryo for his/her stem cells?
- 7. Would you vote to deny taxpayer funding for Planned Parenthood?

				CQ Ques.						
NAME	Party(s)	County	Dist.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7
James Lynch, MD	D	Nass.	8	N	N	*	**	N	***	N
Rose Marie Walker (i)	R, C	Nass.	17	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Nicholas J. Caracappa (i)	R, C	Suff.	4	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Chad H. Lennon (i)	R, C	Suff.	6	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Leslie A. Kennedy (i)	R, C	Suff.	12	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ

Legend:

COMMENTS: From James Lynch only

R - Republican *Q3 - "Not sure. Which age and what circumstances"?

C - Conservative **O4 - "already there"

D - Democrat (i) Incumbent

***Q6 - Indicated he would vote Yes for cloning ban, No on ending embryo destructive research



HEALTH & SCIENCE

Human Embryos from Human Skin Cells, Artificial Wombs, Embryos Used to Study Early Development

Researchers at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) recently announced 'progress' in creating new human embryos from human skin cells. The September 30 announcement in the scientific journal *Nature Communications* stated the researchers "accomplished a unique proof of concept to treat infertility by turning skin cells into eggs capable of producing early human embryos." 82 oocytes were fertilized with sperm using IVF (in vitro fertilization). According to OHSU, the majority of the "fertilized oocytes (zygotes) did not progress beyond the 4-8 cell stage and displayed chromosomal abnormalities." Nine percent developed to the blastocyst stage. None "were cultured beyond that point." The announcement stated that a "decade of further research is likely necessary before the approach could be deemed safe or effective enough to advance to a clinical trial, even assuming such a trial would be permitted in the United States."

Lois Anderson, Executive Director of Oregon Right to Life responded to the announcement stating, "OHSU's disturbing announcement is presented as important progress toward a solution to infertility. In reality, the report presents a bleak image of research conducted with a total lack of respect for human dignity. According to the report, OHSU researchers created 82 unique human lives, who had no ability to consent, for the purpose of conducting ethically fraught experimentation and then allowing them to die. Unethical research like this treats human life as a disposable product. We profoundly disagree with this dangerous misconception of human value and deplore its adoption by those who should be committed to saving lives rather than destroying them. OHSU is known for pushing the limits on ethical research and treatment of unborn life. Its providers already perform extreme late-term abortions of babies who can feel pain and survive outside the womb. Unlike OHSU and its research team, we believe that every human being deserves to be treated with dignity and respect, and their lives should always be protected. Experiments like those recently conducted by OHSU researchers are deeply problematic because they treat unique and unrepeatable lives like commodities to be created and destroyed at will."

Steven Mosher, President of Population Research Institute, reported in the PRI *Insider* (8/22/25) that "China is racing to launch the world's first "pregnancy robot," a humanoid machine equipped with an artificial womb to carry a child to term...the robot would sustain a baby in a fluid-filled womb through a nutrient hose, with a prototype expected next year... Marketed as a solution for infertility and population decline, the project has triggered ethical backlash for severing the natural bond between mother and child and further commodifying human life." Mosher continued, "File this under the category of too little, too late, and too evil for words. After aborting and sterilizing hundreds of millions of women, the Chinese ... now pretend that they want to 'aid infertile couples in conceiving children by developing artificial wombs. Pray they don't succeed. Otherwise, we will see soulless clones produced by the millions in China according to a state plan."

Mosher also reported in the 8/22/25 *Insider* that a new academic study [Sciencedirect.com, July 2025, Adamson, de Mouzon, et al] estimates that IVF has resulted in the death of more than 270 million unborn children since its introduction in 1978. Between 13 and 17 million babies have been born using IVF. Mosher noted that each IVF birth "comes at the cost of countless discarded and destroyed embryos."

Raimundo Rojas reported at LifeNews.com (8/18/25) that scientists at the Institute for Bioengineering of Catalonia (IBEC) "filmed live embryos as they implanted themselves into a synthetic uterine lining. The team created a gel made of collagen and key developmental proteins to mimic the human womb. They placed the embryos near the surface and recorded every 20 minutes over 24 hours, capturing how embryos pull and burrow their way into the tissue. The embryos were donated by a local hospital, as if they were nothing more than chattel to be given away. These embryos were not intended for transfer or continued growth. The intent was always for them to be filmed, studied, and then discarded. These weren't "potential lives," they were human beings at their earliest stage, genetically distinct, self-directed, and already organizing their environment. Their first act, implantation, was stripped of dignity and transformed into a research datapoint. The footage is stunning. It's also morally indefensible and repellent...these babies were reduced to subjects, stripped of their humanity for the sake of scientific advancement. In that lab...the baby's first act of agency, the drive to implant and grow, was recorded for scientific gain. Then the life behind the footage was erased." Rojas warned that the scientists treated the moment a human life tries to take root as "disposable, [reducing] a person's beginning to a data point, a frame in a film reel, forgetting that science is meant to serve humanity, not to consume it." Submitted by Regina Carbonaro 631-243-1435

"Whenever Two or More are Gathered in My Name"

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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Smithtown 631-656-0441, 91 Maple Ave., open Mo.-Fr. 8 AM-4 PM closed Saturdays.

Local Pro-Life Viewing/Listening:

EWTN Pro-Life Weekly, Thurs. 10 PM, (Re-airs Sun, 10:30 AM and Tue. 1:30 PM) Opt. Ch 135, Verizon Ch 285

Pro-Life and Pro-Family blog: rickhinshaw.com

Weekly Prayer Opportunities:

 $\textbf{Rosary for Life:} \ \ Fri\ 3PM,\ Zoom,\ \underline{Https://us05web.zoom.us/jK/84180680547?pwd} = \underline{zK6raKuutIvKjOlR49NzhwtaRRanlY.1}$

Meeting ID: 841 8068 0547 Passcode: VPZAN4

Holy Hour for Life: Mon. 7 PM, St. Joseph RCC, 59 Church St., Kings Park; Also live-streamed. For more info call 631-269-6635. Right to Life Rosary: Thurs. 7 PM Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Chapel, 495 N. Ocean Ave., Patchogue For info call 631-475-4739.

In Memoriam: Joyce Furman

TAKE ACTION FOR **PRO-LIFE PROGRESS**

There are many ways pro-lifers can foster a pro-life mindset in their homes, schools, churches and communities. Rather than become overwhelmed with large projects, a smaller or a singular action is also an effective way to build a more pro-life future. The following idea(s) are offered for this month.

- Read a pro-life book or listen to a pro-life podcast that will bolster your understanding of a prolife issue.
- Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper on a current topic that relates to (or can be compared to) a pro-life issue.

According to the NYS Dept. of Health, in 2022, the number of induced abortions (surgical and chemical) committed on mothers from Nassau and Suffolk counties combined was **4,805**. Given the voluntary nature of reporting and the difficulty to accurately track chemical abortions, this statistic is an estimate at best.

To place an AD in Life News call 631-243-1435 or Contact Ann Cook at LICoalition4Life@outlook.com

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For more information contact Sisters of Life at hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org or 866-575-0075.

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The United States recorded 669 maternal deaths in 2023 (a rate of 18.6 per 100,000 live births). This is a decrease of 17% from 2022 and a 43% decline from the pandemic peak of 32.9 in 2021. These numbers clearly contradict abortion advocates' warnings that pro-life laws enacted after the *Dobbs* decision would trigger a maternal health crisis. CDC data is now showing rates near 17.9 per 100,000, close to the prepandemic levels. Better pre- and post-natal health care will help to lower these rates even more.

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GENERIC ABORTION PILL APPROVED BY FDA

On September 30, the FDA approved Evita Solutions LLC's generic version of the abortion pill. Evita openly states that its mission is to "normalize abortion" and make it "accessible to all." Health Secretary Robert F. Kenney, Jr. said the FDA "only approved a second generic mifepristone tablet because federal law requires approval when an application proves the generic is identical to the brand-name drug." Kennedy stated that he still stands by his criticism of the Biden administration for removing the "in-person dispensing rule without studying the safety risks... [he joined FDA Commissioner Dr. Marty Makary] in writing to state attorneys general, pledging to review all the evidence – including real-world outcomes – on the safety of this drug. Recent studies already point to the serious risks when mifepristone is used without proper oversight." Pro-life groups condemned the approval of the drug. Marjorie Dannenfelser, president of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America said the move is "unconscionable...These dangerous drugs take the lives of unborn children, place women and underage girls at serious risk, empower abusers, and trample the pro-life laws enacted by states across the nation. With abortion drugs now accounting for 63% of all abortions, these pills are responsible for the deaths of millions of Americans." Senator Josh Hawley stated, "The FDA had promised to do a top-to-bottom safety review of the chemical abortion drug but instead they've just greenlighted new versions of it for distribution." Kristen Hawkins of Students for Life said, "The FDA just gave the abortion industry exactly what it wanted: more pills, less oversight, more dead children. This isn't healthcare. It's abandonment of women."

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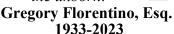
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Johanna Cervellino

DEADLINE NOTICE: Dec. and early Jan. 2026

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November is National Adoption Month

It is also the month of Thanksgiving. Thank you to all those who chose life but because of circumstances couldn't raise their child(ren) themselves. And, thank you to all adoptive parents for opening their hearts and their homes to these children.

36th Annual National Night of Prayer for Life

Sun., Dec. 8 - 9 PM to Mon., Dec. 9 - 1 AM

To register your Church or find nearest location contact Miriam 631-252-8258 or Evelyn 631-368-0118; e-mail: evecampfield@hotmail.com. Website: Nationalnightofprayerforlife.org

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SAVE THE DATE! Fri., 1/23/26 Theme: Life is a Gift

Annual March for Life, Washington DC

Additional info in Jan/Feb 2026 edition of *Life News* and Marchforlife.org.

There are many State-sponsored March for Life events that can be found at National March for Life website.