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Long Island's Monthly Pro-Life Newsletter

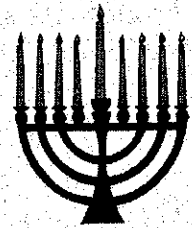
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*Wishing everyone a very
Blessed
Christmas and Holy Days*



14th Annual National Night of Prayer For Life
Monday, December 8th, 2003 - Please attend your nearest location
The hour of National Unity is from 12-1AM Tuesday, December 9th, EST.

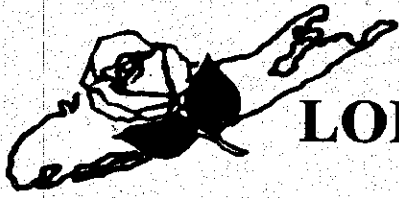
Nassau County

Holy Family, Hicksville, 9PM-1AM
Our Lady of Lourdes, Massapequa Park, 9PM-1AM
St. Bernard, Levittown, 9PM-1AM
St. Raymond, E. Rockaway, 9PM-1AM
St. Patrick, Glen Cove, Call for times
St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh, 8:30-11PM
St. Raphael, East Meadow, 9PM-10PM
St. Catherine of Sienna, Franklin Sq. 7:30-10:30PM
Miraculous Medal, Point Lookout, 9PM-11PM
St. Kilian, Farmingdale, 9PM-Midnight
St. William the Abbot, Seaford 9PM-1AM
St. Rose of Lima Chapel, Massapequa, 7:30-9:30PM
Our Lady of Victory, Floral Park, 8-10PM
St. Christopher, Baldwin, 8:30-10PM
St. James, Seaford, 9PM-1AM
St. Mary's, Manhasset, Call for times
Maria Regina, Seaford, 8:30-9:30PM
St. Ignatius Loyola, Hicksville, 9-10PM
St. Aidan's, Williston Park, Call for times
St. Anne's, Garden City, Holy Hour after 8PM Mass

These are the parishes who, at printing time, have registered. If your parish is not listed, please contact them. Queens & Brooklyn-Please call Parish for time. For further information contact Anne Murphy at 631-234-6921.

Suffolk County

St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, 9PM-1AM
St. Isidore, Riverhead, 9PM-1AM
St. James, Setauket, 9PM-1AM
St. Patrick's, Smithtown, 9PM-1AM
Our Lady of the Snow, Blue Point, 9PM-1AM
St. Louis de Montfort, Sound Beach, 7:30-10PM
St. Matthews, Dix Hills, 8PM-1AM
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue, 9PM-1AM
Infant Jesus, Port Jefferson, 8-10PM
St. Martin of Tours, Amityville, 8:30-10PM
St. Joseph, Babylon, 9PM-1AM
St. Anthony of Padua, Rocky Point, 7-8PM
St. Frances Cabrini, Coram, 8:30-9:30PM
St. Mark, Shoreham, Call for times
St. Patrick's, Bay Shore, 7:30-9:30PM
St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma, 8:20-9:20PM
St. John Nepomucene, Bohemia, Call for times
Our Lady of Grace, W. Babylon, 7:30PM
Queen of Martyrs, Centerport, 9-11PM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst, 9PM-Midnight
St. Hugh of Lincoln, Huntington Sta., after 8PM Mass
Our Lady of Lourdes, W. Islip, 9PM-1AM
Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mattituck, 7:30 PM Mass & Adoration to 10PM
St. Thomas More, Hauppauge, 8-11PM
Our Lady of Ostrabrama, Cutchogue, 9PM-12AM
St. John of God, C. Islip, after 7:30PM Mass -10PM



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December 2003

Dear Defender of Life,

When I wrote my year-end letter last year we were anticipating legislative progress in Washington due to the salutary election results. This year the promise of that election has begun to be fulfilled. The Partial-Birth Abortion (PBA) Ban passed both houses of Congress and President Bush signed it into law, promising to defend it vigorously against court challenges. **This is the first federal legislation to directly curtail abortion since Roe vs. Wade.**

On the down side we have seen New York's pro-abortion Senators Schumer and Clinton not only voting against the PBA ban but also conspiring with their fellow Democrats to filibuster President Bush's appointments of pro-life judges to the federal judiciary. Please remember them in the voting booth when they come up for election in 2004 and 2006 respectively.

Here on Long Island your Long Island Coalition for Life continues to aggressively educate our fellow citizens about the horrible reality of abortion. Judging from the telephone calls we received, as well as the lively letters-to-the-editor exchanges in the Nassau County papers which carried our 105,000 pro-life inserts this fall, a significant number of people were affected by what they read. Those who didn't like our information couldn't effectively refute it. They just called us names and demanded that it be suppressed. We were also able to have 7,500 of the inserts placed in the Stony Brook University newspaper, *The Statesman*, and are attempting to have more colleges and high schools distribute them. Please contact us if you are able to get permission from a high school or college to distribute the inserts (at no charge to them).

Since a number of Nassau newspapers refused to carry the inserts, we have re-installed the pro-life bus shelter and bus bench signs we ran two years ago, concentrating them in areas served by those newspapers. Right now we have funding to keep them up for five months. If you wish to have a sign placed at a particular bus stop and/or want to help pay for the signs, please contact us.

In January we will be restarting our lobbying bus trips to Albany on the opening day of the 2004 legislative session and will be encouraging attendance at the March for Life in Washington on the 22nd. As we do this we will be remembering John Mawn who was a founder of the March for Life and who dedicated so many years of his life fighting for pro-life legislation in Albany and Washington.

Not everyone can participate at the level achieved by John Mawn but everyone can pray for the success of our life-affirming work. Our work could not go on without prayer. Another inescapable necessity for carrying out our many activities is money. Please, as you plan your holiday gift giving, include a donation to your Long Island Coalition for Life so we may build upon our successes in the coming year. And please do continue to pray for our work.

God bless you for all you do for the least of His brothers and sisters.

For His innocents,

Jerome B. Higgins, D.V.M.
Chairman

P.S. Please use the enclosed postage-paid envelope and the coupon on page 11 to send your year-end donation as soon as possible so we can complete our planning for 2004. Thank you.



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

PRESIDENT SIGNS BAN ON PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS

On November 5, 2003, President George W. Bush, with the support of 70% of fellow Americans, signed pro-life legislation that outlawed abortions in which the head of a live baby is delivered and then aborted or in the case of a breach type of delivery the lower extremity of a live baby is delivered past the navel and likewise is aborted. The scientific term for Partial-Birth Abortion (PBA) is dilation and extraction (D & X).

President Bush, on signing this pro-life legislation, attested that his administration "will vigorously defend this law against any who would try to overturn it in the courts." Earlier this year the Senate by a 64-33 vote and the House by 282-139 voted to ban PBA. The President also said "for years a terrible form of violence has been directed against children who are inches away from birth while the law looked the other way....Our nation owes its children a different and better welcome". Thank you Mr. President. The slaughter of innocent babies must stop as quickly as possible.

VACANCY CRISIS IN THE COURTS

President Bush is meeting strong resistance in the U.S. Senate which requires 60 votes to confirm a candidate for judgeship. Already Miquel Estrada, a well qualified candidate for the D.C. Court of Appeals, has withdrawn his name after 28 months and four or five tries by the President to have him appointed. Several other qualified candidates for the federal bench have also been side stepped including Texas Supreme Court Judge Priscilla Owen and Alabama Attorney General William Pryor. **The President may resort to a Constitutional prerogative of making appointments on his own when Congress is in recess, e.g. over the Christmas Holidays.** Though this type of appointment is temporary, those chosen would serve until January 2005. Historically three-hundred such appointments have been made in this manner with George Washington the first to appoint three candidates. Presently, there are 19 vacancies in the Court of Appeals. A significant number of Senators including NY Senator Charles Schumer are doing everything within their power to keep conservative judicial appointees from being appointed to the bench.

Action:

Contact President Bush to encourage him to make recess appointments to the Court of Appeals.

Contact information:

President George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500
Phone 202-456-1414

UNBORN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

S.1019/H.R.1997 — This bill would recognize that when a mother and her unborn living child are killed in any of 67 different federal crimes, there are two victims. Presently, in a number of states, the only charge against the killer is the mother's death. Yes, if a mother and her baby are killed in N.Y., unbelievable but true, the killer is charged with the death of the mother only.

Call Congress Toll-free : 877-762-8762

Just ask for your Senator or Representative by name. In addition, you can receive the status on any bill if you have the name or bill number.

PREVENT GOVERNMENT RATIONING OF LIFESAVING TREATMENT AND DRUGS UNDER MEDICARE

Action-Sample Message to your Representative:

In order to protect senior citizens' lives, we must ensure their right to unrationed medical care and unrationed prescription drug benefits under Medicare. We must not prohibit older Americans from adding their own money if they wish to get unrationed insurance. Please sign Congressman Sessions' letter to the House conferees supporting the National Right To Life position against rationing in Medicare.

Contact information:

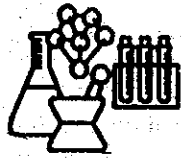
Use the toll-free number above, the Capitol Switchboard at 202-224-3121 or call/write directly to your Member's office:

U.S. House of Representatives, Wash., D.C. 20515		
Bishop	631-696-6500	202-225-3826/225-3143
Israel	631-951-2210	202-225-3335/225-4669
King	516-541-4225	202-225-7896/226-2279
McCarthy	516-489-7066	202-225-5516/225-5758
Ackerman	718-423-2154	202-225-2601/225-1589

To discuss Federal legislation call John Healy: 631-598-0430. For NYS legislation call Mary Arden Smith: 516-825-4852

HEALTH & SCIENCE REPORT

THE TERRI SCHIAVO CASE



We have all read about Terri Schiavo, the woman who has become 'the United States' 'euthanasia test case' for the international bioethics and right to die movements... One classic bioethics tactic is to get their bioethics agenda passed in one state, and then 'codify' the law across all of the United States... Most of all, as usual, the true and accurate facts involved in this tragic case are being manipulated, thus confusing the public and other decision makers." (Dr. Dianne Irving, Ph.D, Terri Schiavo: Myths and Facts, www.cogforlife.org) Debi Vinnedge, Executive Director, Children of God for Life states that no criminal investigation has ever been done to determine whether Michael Schiavo "may have brought about the mysterious injuries that resulted in her present condition." Consider the following: three nurses have testified that Michael was "abusive to Terri and may have attempted to kill her by insulin injection and attempts to induce pneumonia by turning the thermostat in her room to 64 degrees... Michael Baden, top forensic pathologist (Fox News Network 10/25/03 interview)... states that Terri's injuries are not consistent with a heart attack; no cardiac evidence to support it; extremely rare for potassium imbalance on woman her age and in good health; injuries are consistent with severe trauma possibly caused by a beating; the injuries in medical records warrant an immediate investigation... Dr. William Hammesfahr, Nobel prize nominee and neurologist testified that Terri's neck injuries are consistent with only one type of injury: that of strangulation." As Nat Hentoff wrote in the Village Voice (11/10/03), "I have covered highly visible, dramatic 'right to die' cases... for more than 25 years. Each time, most of the media, mirroring one another, have been shoddy and inaccurate. The reporting on the fierce battle for the life of 39-year-old Terri Schiavo has been the worst case of this kind of journalistic malpractice I've seen... For 13 years, Terri Schiavo has not been able to speak for herself. But she is not brain-dead, not in a comatose state, not terminal, and not connected to a respirator. If the feeding tube is removed, she will starve to death. Whatever she may or may not have said, did she consider food and water 'artificial means?'" As Dr. Irving states in Myths and Facts, "while the use of ventilators, drastic surgery, experimental 'therapies', etc. are extraordinary means and may be refused, food and hydration have always been defined in medicine as ordinary means, or 'palliative care' (as is the use of antibiotics, needed X-rays, minor surgery, etc.)" (Note: In 1994, Terri's husband Michael refused to treat an infection with antibiotics and ordered a DNR in the event of cardiac arrest. The nursing home objected, forcing Mr. Schiavo to allow Terri to be treated. He then moved Terri to a new facility.)

"Even as Michael Schiavo attempts to have Terri's Law declared unconstitutional, pursuant to the law's requirements, a judge has appointed a guardian *ad litem*—Professor Jay Wolfson...—to represent Terri's interests... Wolfson's sole responsibilities are to determine whether Terri should be allowed a swallow test, whether she should be provided with rehabilitation, and to write a report with his recommendations... within 30 days. In the meantime, Schiavo remains fully in control over Terri's life and care (or lack thereof)—with the exception that he cannot, for now, remove her tube-supplied food and water... When Schiavo first petitioned the court for permission to dehydrate his wife in 1998, he properly admitted that he had two significant conflicts of interest: He was likely to want to remarry and if Terri died, he would inherit the more than \$700,000 then on deposit in her trust account. (For those who have not followed this case, Terri received the money in a medical malpractice lawsuit.)" Richard L. Pearse Jr., the court-appointed guardian *ad litem* in 1998 urged the court to deny the petition to remove Terri's food and water. "Pearse claimed that Terri has muscle contractures despite receiving 'regular physical therapy'. He may have assumed that she received such care—it is routine for bedridden patients, after all. Yet according to Patricia Anderson, the Schindler's attorney, there are no entries indicating that PT was ever performed in

Terri's chart after 1992. Indeed, in 1998, when a new doctor urged Schiavo to approve an evaluation of Terri so that a plan of physical therapy could be developed, he refused to permit it." (Wesley J. Smith, 11/04/03, The Terri Schiavo Case, www.weeklystandard.com)

Dr. Irving writes that removing food and fluid is not a painless "death with dignity" but "death with gross indignity and monstrously painful and ugly even with morphine or other drugs... The issue is the right to live, not the right to die." Nat Hentoff states, "if she is starved to death, she will not 'die in peace' as The New York Times predicts in an uninformed October 23 editorial supporting the husband. What happens to someone who can feel pain during the process of starvation is ghastly." Fourteen national disability organizations have filed a friend-of-the-court brief to support keeping Terri alive. Hentoff reported that Max Lapertosa, staff counsel for Access Living, "objected to a Times article calling for Terri to go gently into that good night because, said the moral philosophers of the Times, 'true respect for life includes recognizing... when it ceases to be meaningful.'" Max Lapertosa reminded Gail Collins's board of oracles at the Time's editorial page that "many would lump into this category [of meaningless lives] people with severe autism, multiple sclerosis or cerebral palsy who, like Mrs. Schiavo, are nonverbal and are often described as being 'in their own world'. The judicial sanctioning of such attitudes," Lapertosa continued, "moves America back to the days when the sterilization and elimination of people with disabilities did not merely reflect private prejudices but were embraced as the law of the land." Hentoff also states, "Ignoring the facts of the case, the American Civil Liberties Union—to my disgust, but not my surprise in view of long-term distrust of the ACLU by disability rights activists—has marched to support the husband despite his grave conflicts of interests in this life or death case... the October 28 [weeklystandard.com](http://www.weeklystandard.com)... reports that of the \$750,000 to be held in trust for Terri's rehabilitation, two of Michael Schiavo's lawyers pressing for removal of her feeding tube have been paid more than \$440,000... Whom did that rehabilitate?"

A petition signed by 22 National Disability organizations (www.raggededgemagazine.com 10/27/03) calls on the media and general public to take a good look at Terri's case. "She has a severe brain injury, yet has not undergone the rehabilitation that is typically given to people with this type of disability. People with severe cognitive disabilities are devalued as lives not worth living. In truth, the lives of all of us with severe disabilities are often considered expendable... In this matter of living as a disabled person, those of us who live with disability are the experts... We know that life with a disability is worth living, and we know that what makes life awful for us is the attitude of 'better off dead' that drives much of the thinking surrounding people like Terri Schindler-Schiavo. The fear of disability and the resulting bigotry adhered to by most non-disabled Americans is often cited by people with disabilities as one of the most difficult barriers to overcome... Schiavo is characterized as '... a brain-damaged woman who has been kept alive artificially.' Meant to signal horror, the concept has no real meaning to us who live by 'artificial' means. Is a person on dialysis being kept alive artificially? Is a person taking insulin being kept alive artificially? Is a person who undergoes open-heart surgery, or cancer treatment, or intensive care in a hospital being kept alive artificially... a feeding tube is a low-tech support, and people who use them can and do live meaningful lives. It... relies on nothing more than gravity to work... Due to bias against disability and ignorance about the support systems and successful coping strategies that preserve autonomy, meaning and pleasure in life, some physicians have decided that some deaths are more rational than others and that incompetent ill and disabled people do not deserve the same type of health care that 'competent' people would receive. When health care providers deny people with severe cognitive disabilities the health care they need to live, we believe they are violating the Americans with Disabilities Act. The belief that people with disabilities like Schindler-Schiavo are 'better off dead' is longstanding but wrong. It imperils us all. As spokespeople for millions of Americans with disabilities and their families, we stand with Terri Schindler-Schiavo to protect her civil and human rights as a living American. She requires the equal protection of the law."

Dolores Andreski, Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568

Pilgrimage for Life

Mass at 10:00 AM

Saturday, December 6, 2003

St. Patrick's Cathedral,

460 Fifth Avenue, New York City

Celebrant: Bishop William Murphy

For information on this local diocesan pilgrimage contact the

Respect Life Office,

Diocese of Rockville Centre 516-379-8292

Advent Project for Respect Life

The Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Rockville Centre welcomes donations of Money, Metro Cards and Phone Cards to be presented to pregnant and parenting teens in resident programs at Regina Residence in Merrick, Mother of Good Counsel Home in Roosevelt, MOMMAS House, Inc. in Malverne, Brookville, and Glen Cove, and Bethany House in Roosevelt. To participate, call 516-379-8292.



Respect Life Issues and the Feasts of the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Guadalupe & Juan Diego

Speakers: The Sisters of Life

Tuesday, December 9- 7:30 PM

St. Mary's Church

1300 Northern Blvd., Manhasset, NY

516-627-0385

Free will offering to Sisters of Life. All welcome.

Processions For Life—

Assistance Available

Mark your calendar for the next parish procession and Mass for Life coming in Suffolk on April 24, 2004.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre asks parishes planning a procession to notify the Respect Life Office at 516-379-8292 at least three months in advance so that use of radios, banners, etc. can be coordinated.

The Long Island Coalition for Life is available to assist any church or community in planning a Procession for Life. Call 631-243-1435.

Feast of the Holy Innocents Mass Monday, December 29 at 7:30 PM

St. Joseph's Church

40 Grove Place, Babylon

Hymns by the Hibernian Singers. All invited after Mass to the AOH Hall, 27 Locust Ave., Babylon for refreshments. Please bring an unwrapped baby gift. Call 631-587-1308.

Mass for the Unborn

7:30 PM Monday, December 29

St. Frances de Chantal Church

1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh

516-781-2608

All Welcome

ANNOUNCING! *The Annual Respect Life Contest!*

Our theme is based upon the US Conference of Catholic Bishops Respect Life Program.

"Life is a Miracle"

Open to : Grades 7-8—Level I & Grades 9-12—Level II

WRITING! *Poetry*—Limited to 20 lines. *Theatrical Scene*—Limited to no more than 10 pages.

ESSAY! Typed or written legibly and limited to 400 words.

MUSIC! Song written by student and no longer than 2 1/2 minutes melody may be borrowed, but lyrics should be original. Record on cassette.

BOOKMARK! Design must be in bookmark format. Submit on special entry form only.

Prizes! 1st Prize: \$ 300 cash award, 2nd Prize: \$200 cash award, & 3rd Prize: \$100 cash award.

Deadline to participate in the contest: January 14, 2004

Sponsored by: Respect Life Office Diocese of Rockville Centre

(516) 379-8292

DECEMBER 2003 PRO-LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Prayer vigil schedules at Long Island abortion provider/referral sites are listed below. Please offer your presence and your prayers at one of the listed sites as often as possible. Please call the prayer vigil contact person at the phone numbers listed below before going to a site near you, and never remain at a site alone.

PLEASE JOIN US & BE A VOICE FOR THE UNBORN!

NASSAU COUNTY

Locations	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil	Contact Phone Number (516)
156 Mineola Blvd., Mineola	Tu, Fr 10:30-11:30AM	354-6749
540 Hempstead-Fulton Ave., Hempstead	Sa 7:30AM-1PM	741-3405
35 Carmans Rd., Massapequa	Sa 10:30AM-Noon	798-2151
930 Broadway, Massapequa	Sa 9:30AM-Noon	781-5274
175 Jericho Tpke., Syosset	Sa, Mn, Tu, Th 8-11AM; Fr 3:30-7PM	334-2569
123 Grant Ave., Ea. Rockaway	Time subject to change	887-2458
244A Old Country Rd., Hicksville	Wed 7-9AM & Sa 8:30-10:30AM	741-3405
444 Community Dr., Manhasset	Sa 8:00-9:30AM	741-3405

IMPORTANT:
Peaceful assembly on
public property near
abortion site is a lawful
First Amendment
privilege.

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Locations	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil	Contact Phone Numbers (631)
70 Maple Ave., Smithtown	Wed & Sa 7-11AM	979-7017
2500 Nesconset Hwy., Stony Brook	Sa 8-10AM	751-8217
595 Hampton Rd., Southampton	Fr 11:30AM	283-6829
42 First Ave., Brentwood	Sa 8-10AM	234-0933

**PRAYER & WITNESS
SAVES LIVES!**

December: ♥ **American Family Association** cable TV-All Programs channel 20. Call Frank Russo 516-944-3544 or www.afany.org

• **The Abortion-Breast Cancer Link for Women:** M 12/1 E. Suffolk 10PM & Wed 12/3; 12/31 C. Suffolk & Nassau/W. Suffolk 9PM

• **Why NYS Legislators Cover Up Child Abuse:** M 12/15 E. Suffolk 10PM

• **Newsday-Fair and Balanced?:** Wed 12/24 C. Suffolk & Nassau/W. Suffolk 9PM

♥ Mark Crutcher's **LIFE DYNAMICS-'Life Talk'** tapes are shown as follows: **Brooklyn & Queens** -Ch. 34 (Time Warner) or 67 (Cablevision)- Every Mon. at 10AM & 6PM and Woodbury Ch. 20 - every Tues at 12:30PM. In Hauppauge & Brookhaven - Ch. 20 every Thurs at 5PM. Riverhead-Ch. 20 -every Fr. 1:30PM. www.lifedynamics.org

♥ "Defending Life" with Fr. Frank Pavone on EWTN: Tu 5:30PM, W 5AM, Fr 10PM See: www.priestsforlife.org.

♥ Channel 29, Sa 3:30PM, "Rosary for Life".

- Mn 12/1 1/5 (M) 10AM-4PM **ADORATION AND BENEDICTION** at St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa, (Fr. Graham Chapel)
- Mn 12/1 1/5 (W) 7PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE AND NOVENA MASS** St. Catherine's, Franklin Square
- Mn 12/1 1/5 (M) 8PM **MASS FOR LIFE** St. Joseph's-Rectory Chapel, Garden City, NY. All Welcome
- Th 12/4 ♥ 8PM **NORTH SHORE POPS CHRISTMAS CONCERT** St. Rocco's RCC, 18 Third St., Glen Cove, to benefit MOMMAS House, call 516-781-8637
- Th 12/4 & ♥ 8PM **A BROTHER & SISTER CELEBRATE THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS** Westbury Music Fair Christmas Concert with Fr. Charles Mangano & Laurie Mangano to benefit the Life Center. Call 516-488-3130/631-563-9166.
- Su 12/7 (M) 9:00AM **MASS, ROSARY & VIGIL FOR LIFE & PEACE** 4PM Benediction, St. Marks RCC, Shoreham, NY
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) Noon-3PM & 6-9PM **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Andrews RCC, Sag Harbor. 631-725-5915
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 7:30 PM **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** St. Boniface RCC, Elmont
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 8-12PM **ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, NY
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 7-8 PM **PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Our Lady of Victory RCC, Floral Park
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 3-7AM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL** at St. Aloysius RCC, Great Neck; Fr 12/12-7PM Way of the Cross for the Unborn. Call: 516-482-2770
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 8:30-10:00PM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL FOR LIFE AND PEACE** St. Matthew RCC, Dix Hills 631-499-8520
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 9PM-5AM **ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL** St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 8PM-9PM **PRAYER HOUR FOR LIFE** Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (W) 1:00PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** St. John Nepomucene Church, Bohemia, 631-589-0540
- Fr 12/5 1/2 (M) 7:30-8:30PM **HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE** The Resurrection RCC, 50 Granny Rd., Farmingville, NY
- Sa 12/6 1/3 (M) 6PM **RIGHT TO LIFE ROSARY** St. Margaret of Scotland RCC, 81 College Rd., Selden, NY.
An outdoor Rosary at the statue of Our Lady. Call 631-698-1408
- Sa 12/6 ♥ 10AM **ADVENT SEASON PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE** to St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC.
Call 516-379-8292. (See page 5)
- Su 12/7 1/4 (M) 11:15AM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows Church; 258th & 80th Ave., North Floral Park 718-347-6070

- Su 12/7 1/4 (W) 8-9PM HOUR OF REPARATION TO STOP ABORTION Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst, NY
Mn 12/8 ♥NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE IN AMERICA Call Anne Murphy 631-234-6921 (front cover)
Mn 12/8 1/12 (M) 10:30AM EASTERN LI CATHOLICS FOR LIFE meeting & Rosary for Life, St. Rosalie Parish Center, Hampton Bays, NY. All Welcome 631-728-2311. **PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME & LOCATION!**
Tu 12/9 1/13 (M) 9AM MASS AND ADORATION FOR LIFE Noon-Rosary, Vigil concludes with **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** at 4PM. Sacred Heart Parish, Patchogue
Tu 12/9 ♥7:30PM RESPECT-LIFE ISSUES and the Feasts of the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Guadalupe and Juan Diego - St. Mary's RCC, 1300 Northern Blvd, Manhasset. Special Guests: The Sisters of Life. (page 5)
Th 12/11 1/8 (M) 7-8PM ROSARY FOR LIFE Our Lady of Mt. Carmel RCC, Patchogue (9AM-Midnight-Adoration)
Th 12/11 1/8 (W) After 7PM Mass ROSARY & NOVENA FOR LIFE St. James Chapel, Seaford, NY 516-694-2938
Fr 12/12 1/9 (M) 9AM ROSARY FOR MOTHERS & THE UNBORN Sts. Peter & Paul RCC, Manorville, NY
Call Ruth 631-369-7142.

Fr 12/12 ♥7PM HOLY HOUR IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Patroness of the Unborn

Holy Family Parish Respect Life Committee

Holy Family Church, 175-20 74th Ave., Flushing, NY

Call for more information: 718-969-2448



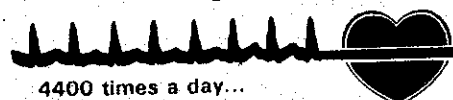
- Su 12/14 1/11 (M) 1PM PROJECT MERCY ROSARY TO END ABORTION St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn
Tu 12/16 1/20 (M) 7:30-8:30PM ADORATION, ROSARY, PRO-LIFE PRAYER - St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown.
W 12/17 1/21 (M) 7:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LIFE Maria Regina RCC, Chapel Pastoral Center, Seaford, NY. Call 516-799-0190
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Call Anne Murphy: 631-234-6921.
Mn 12/22 (M) 7:45PM - L.I.C.L. GENERAL MEETING at Joseph Barry Council K of C, Hicksville, NY. (See page 2)
All welcome. Call 631-243-1435
Tu 12/23 1/27 (M) 8-9:30 PM ADORATION, ROSARY FOR LIFE Sacred Heart RCC, Island Park, NY. Call 516-889-5318
Fr 12/26 1/23 (M) 8-9PM PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR Our Lady of Lourdes RCC, Massapequa Park, NY 516-541-3270
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Call 631-587-1308 (See page 5)
Mn 12/29 ♥7:30PM MASS FOR THE UNBORN St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh. Terry Campbell 516-781-2608 (page 5)
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Mn 1/26 ♥7:00 - 9:00 PM Sisters of Life to speak at the monthly meeting of FAITH ON TAP for ages 20 to 30 at Wantagh Inn,
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Life Decisions International (LDI) has a Corporate Funding Project in which it identifies companies that contribute to Planned Parenthood, NARAL Pro-Choice America (NARAL) and/or the Canadian Abortion Rights Action League (CARAL). Corporations that fall into this funding category are placed on *The Boycott List* published periodically by LDI. Its most recent list, issued in May 2003, includes over 40 corporations and hundreds of products and services. For further information on subscribing to the list, contact LDI at PO Box 75161, Washington DC 20013; www.fightpp.org; (540) 631-0380. Below is a partial list of corporations on *The Boycott List* as of May 2003.

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- Ask others to join the boycott

Celeste Broyles

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As reported in the September, 2003, New York State Right to Life Committee's newsletter *Life Works*:

Berkshire Hathaway announced it will no longer "allow its shareholders to designate recipients of its charitable giving." It will also stop funding the Buffet Foundation. This decision effectively cuts off Planned Parenthood and other pro-abortion groups from receiving funds from Berkshire Hathaway and subsidiaries, e.g., Pampered Chef, Dairy Queen, See's Candies and Fruit of the Loom. Berkshire Hathaway "will end all corporate contributions. . . to any non-profit organization. . . no donations from Berkshire Hathaway to the Buffet Foundation." (Steven Erteld: LifeNews.com Editor; "PamperedChef Parent Corporation Stips Planned Parenthood Funding," and Matt Kelly; "Reproductive rights get Buffet Foundation Help; *World-Herald Bureau*; 7/23/03)

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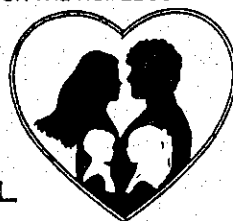
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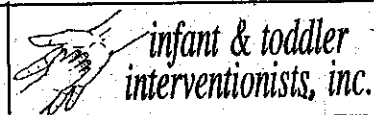
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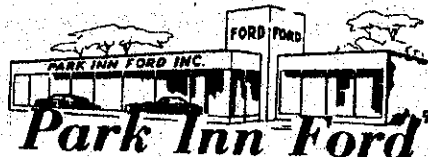
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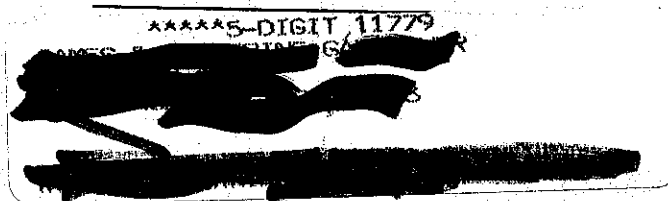
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11/07/03, As reported on CBS Radio and LifeNews.com, construction of a building in Austin, Texas, to be a Planned Parenthood abortion center has halted since the contractor cannot find willing sub-contractors. 1200 calls of protest to the construction were received on just one week. "...every concrete supplier within 60 miles of Austin has agreed not to provide material for the building project."

GIFTS AFTER CHRISTMAS



If you want to give your preteen or teen a gift that lasts take them to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, 1/22/04 to be part of history as they walk with thousands of their peers from throughout the U.S.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre offers six prizes in their student contest (see Page 5).

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Question: Why do we fight Planned Parenthood?

Answer: According to its own data, Planned Parenthood still commits 197,000 abortions a year. In addition, Planned Parenthood's sex education classes and PPFA's web site for teens teach children a perverted philosophy which denies the truth and meaning of human sexuality. Planned Parenthood seeks to break down a child's natural inhibitions and foster greater promiscuity. This increases Planned Parenthood's customer base for both contraception and abortion.

Finally, the Planned Parenthood empire has been built and sustained in large part by money from the U.S. taxpayers.

Planned Parenthood's own annual reports indicate that it received \$2.2 billion of taxpayer money between 1987 and 2001.

~ Source: *ALLNews*, April 2003

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