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"Life is a flame that is always burning out. But it catches fire again every time a child is born" (George Bernard Shaw)

St. Patrick Pro-Life Family **Annual Communion Breakfast**

St. Patrick R.C. Church, Canning Hall, 280 East Main St., Smithtown, N.Y.

Respect Life Sunday, October 3, 2004

10:00 AM, following the 9:00 AM Mass

Guest Speaker: James W. Sedlak, M.S., Founder and Executive **Director of STOPP International**



James W. Sedlak,M.S.

Among Jim's pro-life credits are: He is the author of PARENT POWER!!; the writer/editor of The Ryan Report; writer/orator of ALL's nine part video series on PPFA (Planned Parenthood Federation of America); and primary author of HLI's (Human Life International) Deadly Deception.

He is a frequent contributor to Celebrate Life magazine and HLI Reports. Jim is listed in several editions of Who's Who, including Who's Who in America and Who's Who in the World.

A second feature at the breakfast will be presentation of The Kimberly Pollicino Award to Rev. Joseph Davanzo of St. Joseph's RCC Church in Kings Park.

Children 3 to 12 years: \$5.00; adults and children 13 years+: \$15.00; \$35.00 maximum per family, including dependent children.

Tickets will be sold in the church vestibule before and after each Mass on S'eptember 18th & 19th and September 25th & 26th. Please make checks payable to St. Patrick Pro-Life Family. Tickets will not be sold at the door. • For information call Ignatius Rienzo at 631-265-1081 or Marguerite Sperduto at 631-584-5881.

This issue of LIFE NEWS offers a tremendous variety of pro-life activity: education, public witness and social. Your faithful participation is responsible for the growth of the pro-life movement on Long Island. Please continue to invite others to become involved by offering a copy of LIFE NEWS and by publicizing the pro-life events announced in LIFE NEWS in church bulletins, in local newspapers, and at meetings.



YOU'RE INVITED!

Please join us at the L. I. Coalition for Life monthly meeting on September 27th. Our guest speaker will be co-chair of our Education Committee, George Frost. George is Professor Emeritus of Economics and Political Philosophy at Suffolk County Community College and his topic will be "Abortion and Capital Punishment: Is There a Moral Distinction.?" All are welcome to attend.

The meeting will start at 7:45 PM at the Saint Regis Council, Knights of Columbus hall (2nd floor) in Ronkonkoma. For directions call 631-243-1435.

"I move the meeting be adjourned. Are there any seconds?" George Bertolotti could be counted on to close each monthly LICL meeting with these familiar words. George who represented VIVA, a charter member organization of the LICL, was a strong pro-life advocate from day one. He will be missed. The pro-life community extends our sincere condolences to Alice and the Bertolotti family.

KEEPING THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD ORGANIZATION, THE NATION'S LEADING ABORTION PROMOTER AND PROVIDER, OUT OF YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT.

A Back to School Pro-life Checklist

Students are often inundated in the classroom with anti-life, "pro-choice" philosophy and rhetoric. It may be blatant or subtle. It is urgent that parents be aware of what their children are being taught, particularly in health-related issues that may affect their outlook on pro-life issues.

Parents should also be aware of the fact that for the past several years, Planned Parenthood in Suffolk County has solicited schools in September to recruit teen advisors for their spring Teen Health Conference.

Below is a checklist of ways parents and students, as well as taxpayers without children in the school, can play a vital role in increasing the pro-life message in schools, and also keep Planned Parenthood out of our schools.

1—Does your school district have a Community Summit Night? Local pro-life groups and pregnancy care centers (PCC's) should have tables or representation.

2—Does the high school or middle school have a Human Relations Day or Health Awareness Day that includes speakers? The L.I. Coalition for Life, a PCC, or a pro-life group may be able to provide speakers.

3—Find out if Planned Parenthood developed or is involved in the school's health curriculum. Are there guest speakers from Planned Parenthood? If so, are pro-life speakers given equal time?

4—Does your school district have a functioning AIDS curriculum Health Advisory Committee?

This is mandated by NYS and must include community members.

5—Are "pro-choice" speakers invited into any of your child's classes (e.g. science, global studies, political science, child development); If so, ask that pro-life speakers be invited also.

Many school administrators are unaware of the legal precedents which allow students to use pro-life topics in essays, debates and science fair projects, as well as assignments in public speaking, communications classes, art or music.

If you have questions or comments let us know. Call the Long Island Coalition for Life at 631-243-1435.

The Long Island Coalition For Life Education Committee

made up of education professionals welcomes speaking opportunities at:



Speakers: George Frost and Johanna Cervellino

- Club meetings (Adults & Teens)
- Middle Schools-High
- Schools—College Classes
- Churches—Organizations—Outreach
- Social Events—Fund Raisers, etc.

Speakers are prepared to talk on Pro-Life concerns of particular interest to your congregation, school or organization.

Call 631-243-1435

FEDERAL LEGISLATION THE BAN ON PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION (PBA) CHALLENGED



President George W. Bush's signature to the ban on PBA was hardly dry when the National Abortion Federation, Planned Parenthood, and the American & N.Y. Civil Liberties Union filed suit against its passage. The bill had been approved by a hefty 64-32 vote in the U.S. Senate and a 282-139 vote in the House. In presenting their opposition to the ban these organizations made steady and frequent use of semantics.

They avoided any direct or upsetting terminology such as a PBA "crushes the skull", or "decapitates the partially born child", or, "suctions off the brain's contents". Instead they presented to the Court disguised terms such as "rendering the patient unpregnant", "reducing the fetal calvarium" (the skull), "evacuating the uterus", or, "disarticulation of the fetus" (cutting up).

CORRUPTING OUR YOUTH--BARR PHARMACEUTICALS TRIES AGAIN

In the 6/04 issue of LIFE NEWS we reported that the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) had in 5/04, backed down from approving over-the-counter distribution of the "morning after" pill without a doctor's prescription.

Barr Pharmaceuticals, rebuffed once, is making a second bid for FDA approval. The new effort says girls age 15 and younger could be sold the so called "morning after" pill only with a doctor's prescription. Those 16 and older could purchase the pill (if approved by FDA) over-the-counter.

Sample Letter:

Dear Commissioner:

Please refuse Barr Pharmaceuticals second attempt to gain FDA approval of the controversial emergency contraceptive pill called Plan B.

The provision that girls age 15 and younger obtain this high dosage of contraceptive hormones only by prescription does nothing to remove the potential danger to the younger body.

Another concern is that this high dosage "Emergency Contraception" will be used by women of all ages as a method of birth control.

Who will be responsible if there is long-range damage to women's bodies through frequent use? Out of respect for human life the many babies who will be aborted through use of this "Emergency Contraception" must also be considered. Please reply.

Action:

Call or write, Commissioner Mark B. McCellan, M.D. Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland or call 301-443-1544.

For information on Federal Legislation call John Healy (631) 598-0430.

NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION



In regard to the 2003-2004 Legislative Session there is some good news. Despite intensive lobbying by proabortion advocates the Senate has thus far refused to pass legislation which would make the "morning after pill" available without a patient specific prescription; and so far the pro-cloning biotech lobbyist have not been able to convince the Senate to vote for a "clone and kill" bill. You have made a difference with your hundreds of calls and letters. THANK YOU. Please stay active. In the past antilife bills have been passed in Special Sessions. There is still very intensive lobbying for human cloning and for easy access to "Emergency Contraception". (See previous legislative columns for specific information. Past columns are also on our website.)

The bad news is that as has been true for over 25 years no bill restricting abortion or abortion funding has passed. According to the November 2003 report by NYS Office of the Comptroller in 2000 New York State had the highest abortion rate of any state in the nation and a rate nearly double that of the rest of the nation. Other states have reduced their rate of abortion by passing restrictions on abortion and abortion funding. For example, Michigan's rate of abortion over a ten year period was reduced overall by 46%. (The abortion rate of minors declined by 56%.) This decline followed legislation requiring parental consent for minors, informed consent for women, regulation of abortion clinics and restriction of taxpayer funding of abortion.

Although New York State law states that only "medically necessary" abortions can be taxpayer funded approximately 35% of all abortions and 50% of minors' abortions are Medicaid funded. In our state a girl as young as 12 can be given an abortion without a parent's knowledge. Informed consent for women is not required. Safety regulations for abortion clinics are not being enforced. Abortion clinics are not required to report instances of sexual abuse of a minor unless the abuser is a family member.

Obviously the radical pro-abortion groups are very effectively fighting any legislation which would reduce their profits. Please educate others as to the situation in our state.

To discuss NYS legislature call Mary Arden Smith at 516-825-4852.

Primary Day is Tuesday, September 14, 2004.

Is there a race in which you are eligible to vote?
See page 12 for complete list.

HEALTH & SCIENCE REPORT IS ABORTION REALLY SAFER THAN CHILDBIRTH?



A study in the Canadian Medical Association Journal (CMAJ) showed that "women who had abortions were 2.6 times more likely than delivering women to be hospitalized for psychiatric treatment in the first 90 days following abortion or delivery. Depressive psychosis was the most common diagnosis. Rates of psychiatric treatment remained higher for at least 4 years." A previously published study by the same authors revealed that women who had abortions were also more likely to require subsequent outpatient mental health care. A common complaint among participants in post-abortion recovery programs is that when they raised the issue of their past abortions while seeking mental health care, their therapists dismissed abortion as "irrelevant." The author of the study, David Reardon, Ph.D., insists that "abortion can both aggravate pre-existing problems and trigger new ones." Pro-abortion researcher Brenda Major's study "revealed that 1.4% of the women interviewed 2 years after their abortions suffered from posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) solely attributable to their abortions." Even such a low percentage, projected on the 1.3 million American women undergoing abortions each year, would result in 18,200 cases of PTSD each year, or over a half million cases since 1973. Including other types of negative reactions, Reardon said, "could easily increase the overall complication rate by twenty times or more."

Another Reardon study showed that "among women with an unintended first pregnancy, those who had abortions were at significantly higher risk of clinical depression an average of 8 years later compared to similar women who carried their unintended first pregnancies to term. Higher rates of suicide and substance abuse among women who had abortions were also revealed in the other studies of the research team." (CMAJ 2003; 168(10):1253-7)

Dr. Nancy Green, Medical Director for the March of Dimes, stated that the "27% rise in premature births over the last few decades is a mystery." The website www. afterabortion.org states "at least 48 published studies have shown significantly higher risk of premature birth and low birth weight deliveries among women with a history of abortion...A Danish...study found the risk doubled after just one abortion. Multiple abortions increase the risk even more. A doubling of risk among an estimated 1/4 of delivering women who have a prior history of abortion would result in a 25% rise overall." March of Dimes literature downplays the risk of abortion, stating only that women are at a higher risk of premature delivery if they "have had more than 3 abortions or miscarriages." Other risk factors, drinking, smoking, and drug use are also elevated by a history of abortion. As the website explains, "premature birth is the leading cause of neonatal death and is related to increased risk of cerebral palsy, vision and hearing loss, retardation and other lifelong health problems."

The afterabortion website also reports on a study in the Southern Medical Journal "that women who have abortions are at significantly higher risk of near and long term death than women who give birth. This contradicts the widely accepted opinion that abortion is safer than childbirth... Researchers...discovered that women who had abortions were almost twice as likely to die in the following 2 years...the elevated mortality rate of aborting women persisted over at least 8 years. Over the 8 year period studied, women who aborted had a 154% higher risk of death from suicide, an 82% higher risk of death from accidents, and a 44% higher risk of death from natural causes... The causes of death shifted during the period studied. During the first 4 years, higher rates of death from suicide and heightened risk taking behavior were the most pronounced area of difference. In later years, deaths due to natural causes rose. This may reflect longer term damage that increased rates of depression, anxiety, and self-neglect can inflict on women's cardiovascular and immune systems."

The American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Dec. 2002;187(5)) reported that women with "a prior history of abortion are twice as likely to use alcohol, five times more likely to use illicit drugs, and ten times more likely to use marijuana during the first pregnancy they carry to term compared to other women delivering their first pregnancies. The researchers conclude that higher rates of substance abuse during the subsequent pregnancies would place the newborn children of these women at higher risk of congenital defects, low birth weight, and death. According to Reardon, many women use drugs and alcohol to cope with unresolved emotional issues related to past abortions. Since unaddressed issues of loss, grief, and guilt may become more intense during a subsequent wanted pregnancy, women may have more difficulty abstaining from drugs and alcohol even though they know it puts their wanted pregnancies at risk."

The website www.abortionbreastcancer.com reports on a British study by an independent group of statisticians "that women who procure abortions double their risks of breast cancer...The statisticians determined that as many as ½ of the cases of breast cancer in England and Wales between 1997 and 2023 'will be attributable to abortion." According to one of the authors, breast cancer rates in England "will surge from 35,110 in 1997 to 77,000 in 2023. This dramatic increase will occur because of the large number of abortions performed before first full term pregnancy...Breast cancer incidence has risen...in parallel with rising abortion rates...unless there is a major improvement in treatment, the number of women who die from the disease will rise alarmingly."

Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568



ROSARY PROCESSION FOR LIFE

sponsored by

The East End Deanery

Saturday, September 11, 2004 9:00 a.m. Mass

Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary Church 168 Hill Street (Montauk Hwy.), Southampton

- Car pool to Town Hall
- Procession to OB/GYN Clinic
- Benediction at Our Lady of Poland, 35 Maple Street, Southampton.
- Pro-Lifers from Southampton Full Gospel Church will join us at the OB/GYN Site.

Lunch will be provided by K of C Southampton Council #1967

Contact: Deacon Jim C. Ashe, G.K., 631-283-5230 Lou Tuzzi, P.G.K., 631-283-1423

Directions: Take LIE to Exit 70 (Rt. 111) Manorville Rd. South to Rt. 27, Sunrise Highway. Continue East to Exit 7 (Southampton College). Turn Right at Exit 7, proceed to Montauk Hwy. (27A). Turn Left onto 27A and proceed East, approximately 2.1 miles.

All Welcome

WALK FOR LIFE

to benefit Birthright of Peconic, Inc.

Saturday, September 11, 2004 9 AM—1 PM

Indian Island Park, Riverhead

With refreshments and a special gift for you

The success of the Walkathon lies in the number of walkers and the number of sponsors each secures. If you would like to be a walker, call Marilyn Aneser at 631-727-2039 and a walker's brochure will be mailed to you. If you would like to make a donation to the Walkathon, you may mail a check to the office address. Donations are taxdeductible.

Birthright offers the following services: Pregnancy tests, maternity and baby clothing, transportation, parenting classes, referrals for medical care and adoption, 24 hour telephone hotline, friendship, emotional and spiritual support. Birthright also has an office at 89 Overlook Drive, Mastic Beach. 631-281-1112

Please visit our new Red Barn Thrift Shoppe in Southampton at 675 North Sea Road, 631-287-6456. We accept donations of furniture, clothing, etc., and all are tax-deductible.

"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born."

The Oblate Sisters of the Most Holy Redeemer, the Mothers and the Babies cordially invite you to a

Cocktail Party

for the benefit of

Mother of Good Counsel Home

Guest Speaker:

Fr. Charles Mangano

Friday, October 8, 2004 Koenig's Restaurant

86 South Tyson Avenue Floral Park, NY

\$75.00- per person Please make checks payable to: FRIENDS OF MOTHER OF

GOOD COUNSEL HOME P.O. Box 329, Roosevelt, NY 11575 Tel: (516) 223-1013

Mother of Good Counsel Home, a program of the Oblate Sisters of the Most Holy Redeemer, located in Roosevelt, NY, is a Group Home that ministers to the needs of pregnant and parenting young mothers and their babies.

The Care Center 631-265-3675 91 Maple Ave. Smithtown

Volunteer Training

Saturday September 18, 2004 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM \$15 per person

The cost of \$15 includes the training manual Planting the seed: The Love Approach

The manual will teach you what you need to know to begin helping in our life-affirming pregnancy help center.

Join us for a day of worship and fellowship as we learn how to help women and girls in need.

> Bring a bag lunch! Coffee & dessert provided.

Please register by calling the office.

WHAT: 8th Annual Monsignor Ferris Life Center Dinner Dance

WHO: Honorees—March for Life **Bus Captains**

WHEN: Thurs., September 30th, 6:30-11:00 PM

WHERE: Russo's on the Bay, Howard Beach, Queens

> Wine - Beer - Soda provided Cost-\$50 per adult \$25 for high school students

Journal Ads are due by September 10th.

\$200—Full Gold page

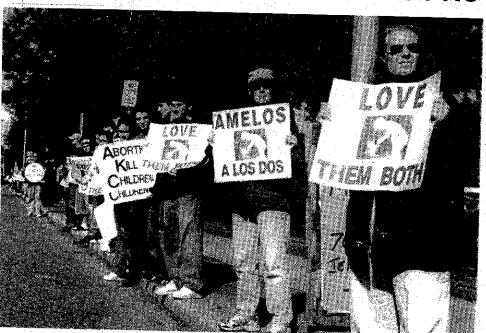
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\$ 50— Half page \$ 25— Quarter page

\$ 10—Listing of Name-"Friends of the Center"

CALL JERRY CRONIN AT 718-634-9714

CELEBRATING LONG ISLAND'S PRO-LIFE COMMITMENT



7th Annual

STAND UP FOR LIFE

Signs to be used will be distributed at site and will say:

ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN

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LOVE THEM BOTH

(with picture of mother and child)

ALL WELCOME

Sunday, October 3, 2004 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

(rain or shine)

ALONG ROUTE 25 and ROUTE 110 Huntington, Long Island

Rt. 110 (East sidewalk) beginning at Rt. 25 heading South for 1 mile Rt. 25 (South sidewalk) beginning at Rt. 110 heading East for ½ mile

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For information call (631) 243-1435



Rev. Paul Driscoll celebrated both his 40th Anniversary Mass and his retirement from active priestly duties on Sunday, July 11th at St. James, Parish, Seaford. Father served the pro-life community as the first Director of the Respect Life Office of

the Diocese of Rockville Centre. He was then and continues today to be an invaluable spokesperson for the pro-life movement.

September 26th, Sunday - If you love amazing bargains, you will want to keep this date open on your calendar. The Life Center will be having our first ever "Re-gifting" Sale at St. Patrick's RCC in Bay Shore at The Msgr. Coffee Center. Since Christmas, we have received beautiful, but not needed, new gifts that will be sold at the sale.

All proceeds will benefit the Life Center. Everything from knickknacks, appliances, toys to clothing. You don't want to miss this opportunity to get new things at garage sale prices!

♥ We are also accepting new gift donations. If you have something new you would like to re-gift, please call Marga Regina at 631-243-2373. She is great at keeping a secret in case you are wondering if "Aunt Madeline" will find out!

Attention Brooklyn & Queens Readers:

RESPECT LIFE NEWS is very happy to be collaborating with LIFE NEWS, Long Island, in publishing a newsletter which will be directed particularly to Brooklyn and Queens readers. RESPECT LIFE NEWS is sponsored by the Joint Parish Respect Life Committee, presently a coalition of representatives of 12 Brooklyn and Queens parishes, whose principal objective is to alert readers to pending legislation, political issues, and related matters which impact Life and the Family. Please call 718-939-6646 for information.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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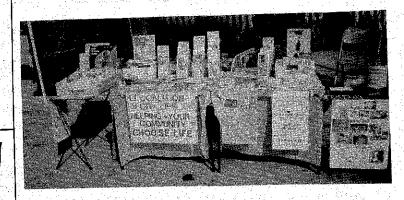
Adult stem cells can be taken from the patient whom they are intended to benefit and thus are not rejected by his or her body when multiplied and reintroduced. Stem cells from other sources run the risk of rejection.

Most importantly, use of adult stem cells is entirely ethical as it does not require the killing of human embryos as must be done to obtain all embryonic stem cells.

The media should stop lumping all stem cell research under the heading "embryonic" and should be calling for more research using adult stem cells which are already in successful use and have the near-term promise of doing much more.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES NOTE:

Beginning in September, employees will be asked to make their annual (CFC) Combined Federal Campaign charity pledge. Please consider directing your pledge to one of the pro-life organizations listed in your CFC booklet.



Street Fair Tables Wanted

Pro-Life tables at street fairs, and outdoor or indoor health fairs are a great way to reach the public. Please call the Long Island Coalition for Life at 631-243-1435 with vendor information if there is a street fair, flea market, or health fair in your area.

Literature and fetal models are available for your church ministry table.

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SEPTEMBER 2004 PRO-LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pro-Life Witnessing Sites

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! MASSAIICOIINTY

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Locations 540 Hempstead-Fulton Ave., Hempstead 35 Carmans Rd., Massapequa 930 Broadway, Massapequa 175 Jericho Tpke., Syosset 123 Grant Ave., Ea. Rockaway 244A Old Country Rd., Hicksville 444 Community Dr., Manhasset SUFFOLK COUNTY Locations	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil Sa 7:30AM-1PM Sa 10:30AM-Noon Sa 9:30AM-Noon Mon-Sat 8:30am-Noon Mondays 4:30-5;30PM Wed 7-9AM & Sa 8:30-10:30AM Sa 8:00-9:30AM	Contact Phone Number (516) 741-3405 798-2151 781-5274 334-2569 887-2458 741-3405 741-3405 741-3405 Contact Phone Number (516) IMPORTANT: Peaceful assembly on public property near abortion site is a lawful First Amendment right & privilege.
70 Maple Ave., Smithtown 2500 Nesconset Hwy., Stony Brook 595 Hampton Rd., Southampton 42 First Ave., Brentwood	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil Wed & Sa 7-11AM Sa 8-10AM Fr 11:30AM Sa 8-10AM	Contact Phone Numbers (631) 979-7017 751-8217 283-6829 234-0933 PRAYER & WITNESS SAVES LIVES!

Pro-Life Viewing American Family Association cable TV-All Programs channel 20 Call Frank Russo 516-944-3544 or www.afany.org • Why are NY Legislators Covering up Child Abuse: Th 9/2, Central Suffolk (HAUP) 12AM • Are NY's Major Media Fair & Balanced?: Th 9/9, Nas/Western Suf. 7PM • Political Parties & Current Moral Issues: W 9/22, Great Neck 8PM ▼Mark Crutcher's LIFE DYNAMICS-'Life Talk' tapes are shown as follows: Brooklyn & Queens -Ch. 34 (Time Warner) or 67 (Cablevision)- Every Mon. at 6PM and Woodbury Ch. 70 - every Fr at 8:30PM. In Hauppauge & Brookhaven - Ch. 20 every Th 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 . NEW: "The Gospel of Life" M-3:30am, Th. 8:30am Sa 7:30pm on Sky Angel, Angel 1 Satellite TV. See: www.priestsforlife.org.

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

▼ RADIO CALL IN: Rev. Duane Motley, New Yorker's Family Research Foundation, Inc., www.nyfrf.org, Riverhead 90.7.

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Announcing: Project Rachel eight-week Interdenominational Bible Study for Healing for those suffering the effects of an abortion. Calls are confidential. Call for September dates to Mary 631-723-0901. Sponsor: St. Joseph Prayer Center, Patchogue, Suffolk County, N.Y.

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"Protecting Life and Curing Disease Through Stem Cell Research"

A workshop by Kathleen M. Gallagher, Director of Pro-life Activities at the NYS Catholic Conference, will be presented at a Catholic Charities-sponsored convocation called "Faithful Citizenship: What Kind of Nation and World Do We Want to Shape?" on Saturday, Oct. 2nd from 1:00 to 6:00 pm at St. Anthony's H. S., 275 Wolf Hill Rd., Melville. Her workshop will begin at 2:30 pm. The workshops will end with Mass at 5:00 pm. Call the St. Anthony's at 631-271-2020 for info. All welcome.

Kathleen Gallagher will discuss the biology of stem cells, the differences between embryonic and adult stem cells, the law surrounding stem cells and human cloning, and the ethics of research currently being pursued. She will apply Catholic social teaching to the issues at hand, and she will urge legislative advocacy at both the state and federal levels to ensure ethical, life-affirming advancements for the treatment of disease.

BLIMPIE'S

Would Blimpie's subs and salads taste good to you if you knew part of what you paid for the food might go to the coffers of Planned Parenthood?

Life Decisions International (LDI) has added Blimpie International to it's The Boycott List.

Blimpie corporate attorney Leonora C. Seid denied any affiliation despite Planned Parenthood of Portland, Oregon having a link to Blimpie's and states it is a supporting organization. For more information you may contact LDI (540) 631-0380, ldi@fightpp.org or P.O. Box 75161, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Sad But True—The following appeared in the New York Post on 7/27/04:

Abortion T-shirt sale

Proud of having had an abortion? Planned Parenthood has a shirt for you.

"I had an abortion" T-shirts were sold yesterday on the Planned Parenthood Federation of America Web site – only to be pulled from the virtual racks when anti-abortion activists complained.

Hours later, though, the \$15 shirts were back at the PPFA's online "store", which hailed the bold blouse as "a powerful message in support of women's rights."

Not everyone agreed.

"Having an abortion is a heartbreaking experience," said Olivia Gans, who had one in 1981, but now works for the National Right to Life Committee. "It is not something to boast about."

Planned Parenthood President Gloria Feldt said the shirts let women "stand up for choice."

"It's a heart-wrenching decision, but women don't need to be ashamed of it," said Feldt.

The shirts were designed by East Village artist Jennifer Baumgardner.

ORATORY CONTEST

The Long Island Coalition for Life will sponsor a Pro-Life Oratory Contest for 11th and 12th graders again this year. Topics are abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and cloning-embryonic stem cell research.

There will be more information in October LIFE NEWS.

check your voting status. Registration can be made by mail. Are all family members registered at their proper address? If unsure call the Board of Elections (Nassau 516-571-2411 or Suffolk 631-852-4500). The "mail in" voter registration form available at any Post Office, DMV Office or library can also be used to apply for an absentee ballot for students, shut-ins, etc. Your Board of Elections Office must receive your form no later than 25 days before the date of the election in which you plan to vote.

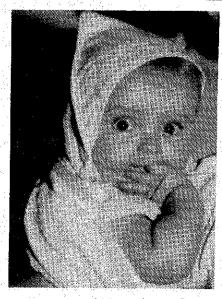
Upcoming elections are:

Primary Day-----Tues., September 14, 2004. See Page 12 for the list of scheduled primaries. General Election---Tues., November 2, 2004.

Each race is important. Begin now to ask each candidate his/her stand on the life issues.

DON'T LET THEM KISS YOUR BABY

Prevent
"photo op's" and
"speaker op's" by
pro-abortion
politicians, or
candidates. Ask
that they not
address or appear
at your church or
organization—
regardless of their
issue. Photos taken
at such events are



often used in campaign literature and the public may be fooled into believing you have endorsed the candidate.

Do not donate to UNICEF—United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

UNICEF is no friend of life and has fooled many good people into collecting for their projects. The Health and Science page of *LIFE NEWS*, October, 2001, documented UNICEF's involvement in anti-life activity and the millions of U.S. taxpayer dollars annually given to UNICEF programs. For a copy of the *LIFE NEWS* article send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: LICL-UNICEF—a Halloween Trick, P.O. Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779.

PERSPECTIVES

WASHINGTON

'Personally Opposed...' in Perspective

Catholic voters, regrettably, have formed a core of support for pro-abort politicians.



RUSSELL SHAW

Much has been said about "personally opposed" Catholic politicians and the problem they pose to the Church. Last year the U.S. bishops set up a task force headed by Cardinal

Theodore McCarrick of Washington to develop guidelines for bishops in dealing with pro-abortion politicians, and lately some bishops have acted on their own to deal with the challenge. All this is to the good. But maybe it's time to give some attention to "personally opposed" Catholic voters, too.

"Personally opposed" usually refers to abortion, but other issues also are implicated. The false line goes something like this:

"I'm personally opposed to abortion (or same-sex unions or human cloning or whatever else might be in question), but: a) I have to be tolerant of other people's views and not impose mine on them; b) I'm opposed in most cases, but naturally I recognize exceptions; c) there are other issues as important as this and maybe more important."

Voters who reason this way usually vote accordingly. That is to say, they back political candidates who support permissive abortion laws, or laws treating homosexual unions like marriages, or human cloning for allegedly therapeutic — but in fact experimental — purposes. Or possibly all of the above.

As David Carlin points out in his book The Decline and Fall of the Catholic Church in America (Sophia Institute Press, 2003), millions of Catholics vote this way. Carlin, a sociologist who served 12 years as a Democratic state senator in Rhode Island, writes:

"Vast numbers of Catholics continue to vote, election after election, for pro-choice members of Congress, and many of the pro-choice politi-

cians they vote for are themselves Catholic. It is not too much to say that the political good fortune of the abortion movement has for several decades depended on an unholy alliance between atheists and Catholics... The secularists provided the leadership, while the Catholics provided the votes and many of the politicians."

Ouch.

Abortion and other moral issues sometimes are dismissed as minor

Some bishops have

acted on their own to

deal with pro-abortion

Catholic politicians.

items on the nation's political agenda. Voters, we are told, have a right, maybe even a duty, to be more concerned about the economy and Iraq and health care and a

host of other things, and to judge candidates accordingly.

All these issues are important. But the argument misses the point.

Like it or not, political decisions in the next few years — five years at the outside is a reasonable guess — will settle national policy on things like same-sex marriage and human cloning. Those who vote in ignorance of or indifference to this central reality of the present moment are shirking their elementary duty to face up to facts.

A bit of personal history may shed some light on these matters. Back in 1968 I published a book about the abortion controversy as it stood at that time. The book provided a clear, journalistic account of something that seemed to me a

cause for serious alarm — namely, the organized and rapidly growing campaign for legalized abortion. (Bear in mind that this was five years before the Supreme Court imposed legalized abortion on the country.)

The book didn't get a lot of attention, but I do recall a review in one Catholic magazine. The reviewer advised readers that instead of bothering with my book, they should wait for a forthcoming vol-

ume by a prominent Catholic liberal of the day. When that book appeared, it said that abortion is a complex issue involving conflicting values, and tolerance

and compassion are what really count. As it happens, the author soon left the Church.

I mention this episode for the light it sheds on the position of those who try to let themselves off the hook by claiming to be "personally opposed." Those who strongly support cloning, same-sex marriage and other practices opposed by the Church are eager to fill the vacuum created by this commitment to not being committed. So were the proabortion activists back in 1968.

It's a cliché, but nonetheless true, that those who don't learn from history must repeat it.

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KANSAS CITY, KAN. Archbishop James P. Keleher of Kansas City, a member of The Cathedral of St. Peter Council 12026 in Kansas City, has asked all Catholic institutions in the

archdiocese not to invite "any persons in the prochoice movement, or any politician who espouses

the pro-choice movement or has a voting record endorsing pro-choice legislation" to speak at those institutions. In a Feb. 13 statement published in *The Leaven* archdiocesan newspaper,

Archbishop, Keleher said it is "imperative that our Catholic churches, schools and institutions make every effort not only to support the pro-life movement, but especially to ensure that

the public understands our unequivocal stand on this issue."

The Knights of Columbus has had a longstanding policy of not inviting pro-choice politicians or public officials to its meetings or allowing them use of any facility owned by the Knights of Columbus.

Primary Day is Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2004

Note: If the political party in which you are enrolled is holding a Primary in the area in which you live please vote on Primary Day, Tues. Sept. 14th. You have two weeks to ask candidates their position on the LIFE ISSUES and to get out the pro-life vote.



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The following is adapted from:

Primaries by Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life

One of the greatest things about our American system is that voters not only select which candidates get elected to public office, but also which of those who want to be candidates actually end up on the ballot. In other words, we get to *create the choices* we will have on Election Day.

That's what primaries are all about.

Primaries are elections that take place before the general Election Day. Unfortunately, voter turnout for primaries is usually less than 20%. What that means, or course, is that your vote in primary elections carries even more weight, proportionally, than in the general election.

In the primary, you are choosing who is going to be the candidate for a particular party on Election Day.

When you vote in a primary, you have a wider range of choices, and are therefore more likely to find a candidate with whom you agree on more issues.

In the Hawaii Gubernatorial campaign in 2002, the only pro-life candidate in either party was defeated in a primary, leaving general election voters with a choice between two pro-abortion candidates. That's one example of why voters need to get to the polls on primary day.

When a candidate does well in a primary, furthermore, it builds momentum for his or her campaign. Donors take notice, and so does the media. Voters will also be more encouraged to vote for the candidates that seem to have more support.

Let's not just settle for the choices we're given on Election Day. Let's held create those choices in the primaries!

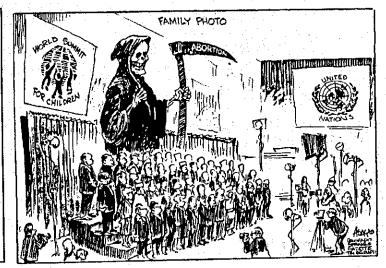
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Would you like to enter the MARCH for LIFE writing contest? If you are in grades 6 -12 you may enter an essay, poem and/or poster with a pro-life message. The theme for the 2005 contest will be announced by September 1, 2004.

The deadline for entries is October 22, 2004 (The six first place winners will be provided overnight accommodations & transportation to Washington, D.C. in January of 2005 to receive their awards.)

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

<u>Ouestion</u>: Recent media reports give the impression that miraculous cures can be developed if only the government would fund research on stem cells derived by killing human embryos. Can't stem cells be gotten without destroying human life in its earliest stages?

Answer: "Adult" stem cells can be obtained from a patient's own body and from umbilical cord blood, among other sources, without destroying human life. Therapies using adult stem cells are already being used successfully to treat several diseases in human beings including several forms of cancer, immune system diseases, heart disease and neurologic disorders. Embryonic stem cell use is still in the investigative stage and has had some disastrous results because of the difficulty in controlling the differentiation and multiplication of these cells.

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