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Human life is sacred from its beginning to its natural end.

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#### **March For Life**

Those who made it, witnessed another incredible outpouring of Americans. March officials are confident that in 2012, 500,000 people were on hand. As we observed this unprecedented stand for life, one wonders how abortion continues. The *Inquirer*, *NY Times*, et al, blacked it out as usual, but an employee at MSNBC dared to report that more than 100,000 were expected to attend and called the March, "the largest and longest running peaceful *human rights* demonstration for the unborn."

Several members of Congress spoke, stated their beliefs, applauded the multitude present, called for the election of pro-life Senators (Bob Casey, you must go!) and chastised the President. The final speaker was Black pastor, Luke Robertson, who blasted the President for tolerating and enabling the devastation of the Black Community by abortion. Bless the redoubtable Nellie Gray, who continues to lead the March. It is little wonder that she is referenced as the Joan of Arc of our movement.

## Aborting in Pa.

The state has reported that 36,778 preborn children were aborted in Pa. during 2010. As shown below, the five-county toll was down 91 while Philadelphia was up 31. Other significant elements: 87% were committed against unmarried mothers; 42% were committed against Black mothers, while only 12% of Pa.'s population is Black; 200 were committed on minors 14 years and under; 59% had previous abortions.

	Bucks	Chester	Delaware	Montco	Philadelphia	Five-County	All of Pa.
2008	1,095	1,091	801	373	18,633	21,993	38,807
2009	1,080	1,156	885	281	17,567	20,969	37,284
2010	965	1,169	855	141	17,598	20,728	36,778

#### "2012"

We have noted the bumper sticker "2012," a message to Obama supporters that his re-election is crucial. He is unopposed within the Democrat Party and appropriately, has the support of the U.S. Communist Party. Despite his rejection of the Judeo-Christian values upon which our nation was founded, many citizens support him. Life and Family depend on his defeat. Recently, a pro-life woman went to the Lord. She was 93, extremely ill, and barely able to speak. To determine her competence, a nurse asked a few questions – her name, the year, etc. The last question was, "Who is the President?" to which she answered, "Obama. But, there is an election in November." She passed two days later. May her determination become wide spread.

## "You Get One More Year" - Period

That was the message from our President to the Roman Catholic Church and others. Earlier, his Secretary of HHS announced that all organizations must provide health insurance policies which include contraception and abortifacients. In that many religions oppose contraception (all did until 1930), Obama's move is significant in his program to secularize the nation. He knew it wouldn't fly, but he picked the fight anyway. So, after the one-year grace period, we expect the RC Church will be hauled into federal court because they will refuse to promote the evil of contraception. For details on this assault against religious freedom, visit <a href="https://www.usccb.org">www.usccb.org</a>.

## **Weekly Vigils**

We encourage you to consider joining other pro-life life people as we witness for life. Please examine the list below and attend if at all possible. Just two weeks ago, a mother left a local abortion facility because her "debit card didn't work," even though she actually did have sufficient funds in the bank. Divine intervention? Two sidewalk counselors spoke to her about the damaging effects of abortion and the humanity of her unborn child. This mother accepted help and is giving life to her baby. Witness works!

Planned Parenthood – 8 S. Wayne St., West Chester, PA 19382 Tuesdays 8 am to 12:30 pm -Wednesdays 8:30 am to 10:30 pm - Planned Parenthood – 12<sup>th</sup> & Locust Sts., Phila., PA 19107

Wednesdays 12 noon - Planned Parenthood – 605-607 Cedar Ave., Yeadon PA 19050

Wednesdays (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) 4pm to 5 pm-Planned Parenthood – 1221 Powell St., Norristown PA 19107

Thursdays 2:30 to 3:30 - Planned Parenthood – 8210 Castor Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19152 Philadelphia Women's Center-777 Appletree St., Phila., PA 19106 Fridays 6:30-8:30 am Planned Parenthood - 2751 Comly Road, Philadelphia, PA 19154 Fridays 8 am to 10 am Planned Parenthood – 8 S. Wayne St., West Chester, PA 19382 Fridays 8 am to noon Planned Parenthood - 610 Louis Drive, Warminster, PA 18974 Fridays 7:30 am to noon Fridays 10:30 am Reproductive Health & Counseling - 1 Medical Ctr. Blvd., Chester, 19103 Saturdays 6:30 to 8:30 am Philadelphia Women's Center - 777 Appletree St., Phila., PA 19106 Planned Parenthood - 216 W. State St., Media, PA 19063 Saturdays noon to 1 pm

# 2012 Resolution

If you didn't resolve to get a pro-life license plate, it's not too late! This attractive plate will be observed by thousands and thousands of your neighbors. It is an excellent ad for Life. In addition, you assist Crisis Pregnancy Centers in your area. A *one-time* charge of \$44

is required, \$24 of which is sent to the Commonwealth. But, \$20 is sent to a Crisis Pregnancy Center near you. Visit <a href="https://www.pachoose-life.org">www.pachoose-life.org</a> or call 215-885-2919.

## **NFP Conference**

On Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, this important event will take place at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 611 Knowles Avenue, Southampton. Registration and Continental Breakfast is from 8:00-8:45 a.m. Beginning at 9 a.m., a number of appropriate lectures will take place concerning the Anthropology of Man, Humanae Vitae, Theology of the Body, NaPro Technology and Contraception. The speakers are bona fide experts. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For additional information about the Conference and its speakers, please visit <a href="https://www.pnfpn.org">www.pnfpn.org</a> and <a href="https

## **Save the Date**

<u>March 5<sup>th</sup></u> - 'End of Life' Issues. Presented by a panel of moral, legal, & medical professionals including Dr. Peter J. Colosi, professor of philosophy and moral theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. For more information, please visit <u>www.saintpeterchurch.net/respect\_life.html</u>

<u>March 11<sup>th</sup></u> – Philadelphia St. Patrick's Day Parade. Parade begins at Noon. Plan to join other pro-life people as we witness for Life and celebrate St. Patrick.

# **Harrisburg Activity**

- It is hoped that the Senate will quickly "re-pass" Obamacare Opt Out, H.B. 1477.
- As reported, the "Facilities Bill," S.B. 732, was signed by Gov. Corbett which ensures that abortion companies are subject to the same safety regulations as Ambulatory Surgical Facilities. This should have been done when abortion was "legalized." The abortion people have not yet gone to court. They will probably make their move just prior to the effective date of the new law.
- The Ultrasound Bill, H.B. 1077, was introduced in the House last week. It mandates that the abortion company offer an ultrasound image to each mother prior to an abortion. Quick passage is expected in the House and we hope in a similar manner in the Senate.
- Other goals −
  - ☆ Defense of Marriage (H.B. 1434) has yet to be voted upon in the House. This is a priority.
  - ☆ H.B. 1314 calls for abortionists to have admitting privileges at a hospital within 30 miles.
  - ☆ H.B. 383 provides conscience rights to medical people
  - Action is needed to replace "No Fault Divorce," which has damaged the institution of Marriage.

# **Planned Parenthood**

Their 6-30-10 year end economic report shows an \$18.5 million profit. Private donations went down from \$308.2 to \$233.8 million, a decrease of 24% One PP exec stated it was, "the most discouraging year ever." But, our tax funds to them have increased from \$363 to \$487 million. Federal and state funding equal 46.5% of their total income and they will now receive \$22 million of new funds from their federal friends for "Teen Pregnancy" programs. Do we donate money to tobacco firms to reduce smoking? Some nine states have cut funds to PP. Pa. has yet to move. The federal House of Representatives conducted an apparent detailed audit of Planned Parenthood. Ex-employees are involved and are prepared to testify. One facet made public is that while receiving \$2.2 billion from taxpayers during a six year period, they report on only \$657 million. Let us insist that the House continue until all the ugly and bizarre facts are made public. It's time for real transparency.

# **Build a Legacy of Life**

In December, the Legacy of Life Foundation opened a new center in center-city. In its first week, two mothers and babies were saved from abortion. A humble woman from South Phila. helped to make this Center possible. Rita Pellegrino, before going home to the Lord, left the Union a sum of money, which made a long-time dream come true. We now have "Rita's" center-city resource for women. Please give her prayerful thanks. Find out more about the Center at <a href="https://www.onelegacyoflife.org">www.onelegacyoflife.org</a>.



## **Briefs**

- ✓ Now, a baby in the womb owes the federal government \$48,870. The National Debt continues to rise \$396 billion per day. This condition strikes out against the Family.
- ✓ A young man recently visited the Phila. Women's Center on his birthday, to give thanks for his own life. His mother permitted his birth because sidewalk counselors inspired her not to abort.
- ✓ Readers know of Abby Johnson, an ex-PP manager, who now works for Life. An element in her conversion was her observation of a weeping nun at her abortuary.
- ✓It's been suggested that Occupy Wall Street folks move over to PP Federation of America. Their eight top execs made over \$2 million, none less than \$245,000.