



PRO LIFE UNION

UPDATE

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Pro-Life Mass

On September 15th from 8-9 a.m., pro-lifers will gather to pray the Rosary at 12th & Locust Streets in Philadelphia, 19107. At 9 a.m., we will begin processing to the Cathedral Chapel where 9:30 Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Christopher Walsh. After Mass, a Pro-Life Summit will be held in the Cafeteria at the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, 222 N. 17th Street, Phila., 19103. Please contact us if you plan to attend the Summit. For more info, call our office or visit www.prolifeunion.org.



This important campaign begins this year on September 23rd and ends November 4th. 40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of a three-point program: Prayer and fasting - Constant vigil - Community outreach. 40 Days for Life takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion in their own neighborhoods, for their own friends and families. It puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion in America.

Please participate in our area at the following locations.

Abington Memorial Hospital—12 pm to 6 pm. Horace Ave. entrance. An opening Mass will be celebrated on Sept. 26th at 7 p.m. at Our Lady Help of Christians, Abington. Call 215-885-8150 or 215-771-3321.

Planned Parenthood, 610 Louis Drive, Warminster 18974 - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. – An opening Mass will be held at Nativity of Our Lord Church on Tuesday, Sept. 25th at 7 p.m. Call 215-348-7480 for more info.

Planned Parenthood, 8 S. Wayne & W. Market Sts., West Chester 19382 – 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. – An opening Mass will be held at St. Norbert Church on Saturday, September 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Call 484-832-2746 or e-mail paulettematthews@hotmail.com.

Philadelphia Women's Center, 777 Appletree St., Phila. 19106 – MTW – 8 am to 8 pm ThFS – 6 am to 8 pm (no vigil Sundays) – for more info call 484-416-0068 or e-mail philadelphia.40daysforlife@gmail.com.

Octoberfest

Save the Date for this year's Oktoberfest! You won't want to miss this night of dinner, dancing, local beers and fun that supports the Legacy of Life Foundation. It will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2012 from 7:00-11:00 PM at St. Michael the Archangel Parish Hall, 66 Levittown Parkway, Levittown, PA 19054. For more info, visit www.legacyoflifefoundation.org.

Lily Gianna – from Craig and Wenqi Glantz

We found out earlier this year, during a 20 week Ultrasound, that our second child had anencephaly. Our doctor explained this condition and recommended abortion. We clearly told the doctor that abortion was not an option. We would like to carry our baby girl to full term and giving her a fighting chance. Prayer requests were sent out and we spent time at the Precious Blood Monastery in NY. We prayed in front of the abortion clinic, and spent time with our spiritual director, and the cloistered sisters. We chose to spend the rest of our pregnancy joyfully living each day loving Lily, sharing our love and life with her. On August 1, our daughter Lily was born and was immediately baptized. Lily was quiet, didn't utter a cry. Her eyes half open, lips open, as if she was trying to say something to us... We took turns holding Lily in our arms, kissing her, loving her, telling her how much we love her. Lily lived until 6:28pm when we knew Our Good Lord took Lily home, the Eternal Home we all long for. When couples are told of child's fatal condition, they are told that abortion is the better choice, the right choice to make. But in reality, families deserve to celebrate their child's life, even if it is just for a short time. In choosing life, couples embrace the suffering, and face their fears. Choosing Life for Lily gave us hope, love, acceptance and joy. Abortion denies life and buries feelings. It sentences women and families to years of regret and suffering. It is the ultimate act of despair. But, our Lily Gianna was given a chance at life. She was loved tremendously even before she was born. For us abortion was never an option. We regret nothing. We share this story so that families who are facing similar situations can find support and help. Please visit: www.LilyGianna.net.



Ryan is Right

Paul Ryan is obviously a great choice. He has D.C. experience, the answer to our economic debacle, understands its immoral foundation and is pro-life and pro-marriage. He will aid us to secure a victory in November! V.P. Biden has a 100% pro-abortion rating from NARAL and a zero from National Right to Life.

Nellie – We love you...

Pro-life giant, Nellie Gray, went to her reward in August at the age of 88. She was a lawyer, served in the U.S. Army during WWII. When *Roe v. Wade* struck the U.S., Nellie devoted her life to the cause and formed the organization to conduct the annual January 22nd March for Life in Washington D.C. Under her guidance, it has been a major national event for 38 years. Thank you, Lord, for sending Nellie to us.



Good News from Einstein

Einstein Hospital of Philadelphia joined with Montgomery Hospital of Norristown to build a new hospital in East Norriton Township, central Montgomery County in 2008. This new Hospital is called Albert Einstein Healthcare Network. During the township hearings, local citizens voiced concern that this new Hospital would commit abortions because Einstein has been recorded as the largest abortion provider in 1st and 2nd trimester abortions in the southeast PA region. However, pro-life groups received great news in July from Beth Duffy, CEO of Einstein Medical Montco, who advised one of our Board Members that Einstein Medical Montco will not be performing elective abortions. When asked about the pre-natal clinic performing abortions, Ms. Duffy advised that the clinic is for pre-natal care, not abortions. This is great news, thank you Jesus!

Bystander?

Don't be one in November. All of us should be in prayer for our country. Then comes the work. To help get out the vote, call the Victory Center nearest to your home. Go there in the evening and make calls using the hi-tech equipment there. Check our website or call 215-885-4237 to find the most convenient Center. Also, consider a door to door lit drop in your community, church or social membership.

The President and CEO of a local Planned Parenthood has committed to mobilize its 250,000 supporters to contact 30,000 female voters, at least twice, by phone and door to door canvassing. She has made this commitment public. PP's candidates agree with them that pregnancy is a disease. Despite this depravity, Sen. Casey has voted to send your taxes to PP. Let's go, **Tom Smith!** The U.S. Senate needs another pro-lifer.

Hercules in Court

Hercules Industries (a HVAC company) is operated by the Newland Family in Colorado. Serious Catholics, they went to court to protect their religious freedom in opposing the Obama mandate calling for employers to provide abortifacients, contraceptives and sterilization to their employees. A U.S. District Court judge ruled in their favor and granted an injunction. It is a tiny, but important victory. How appropriate that it would come from a family, as did the Chick-fil-a pronouncement supporting marriage.

Harrisburg

Legislators are scheduled to return to Harrisburg for 9 days on September 24th. We believe they could pass the Obama Opt Out Bill. Take action! Contact your Pa. House Rep. and request that he ask House Leader, Mike Turzai, to run S.B. 3. Tell him that if he runs the bill, it will pass and go to the Governor, who will sign it. Then call Rep. Turzai yourself (717-772-9943).

War on Marriage

Opponents remain ultra active. The Chic-fil-a incident has opened the eyes of many to this incredible threat. Following Pres. Obama, the Democratic Party will officially endorse "homosexual marriage" at their convention. Voters in 30 states have rejected this perversion and in Hawaii, a judge has ruled that the state law protecting marriage is constitutional. He agrees with the Creator. Some U.S. corporations are now opposing marriage – General Mills, Betty Crocker, Aetna, CBS, J.C. Penny, Target and Nabisco.

Briefs

- ☞ H.H.S. Secretary Sebelius has advised that the decrease in U.S. births will help employers pay for the abortifacients, sterilization and contraceptives which Obama specifies they supply to their employees.
- ☞ "A Voice For Life" is the story of Melissa Ohden, who miraculously escaped the saline abortion procured by her mother. Starting out at 2 lb. 14 oz., she was adopted and some years later, delivered her first child in the same hospital where she was to be murdered. Call 309-637-1713 for a DVD.
- ☞ In late August, a U.S. Appeals Court in Texas ruled that the state could stop all funding of Planned Parenthood. PP whines that they will lose \$13 million a year. Let's go, Pa.!
- ☞ A federal three judge panel in South Dakota has ruled that the state can advise women contemplating abortion that there is a risk of suicide.
- ☞ Pres. Obama named June "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride Month."

Catholic Life Conference

The theme for this Conference is "Baptized in Christ. Live in the Joy of Believing." Saturday, Nov 17th, Sheraton Hotel, 17th and Race. It starts with Mass at the Cathedral at 9:00 a.m. For more information, contact Meghan Cokeley at 215-587-5630 or e-mail mcokeley@adphila.org.

Johnny's Run For Life

This annual race will take place on Sunday, October 14, 2012. The one mile "Fun Run" will begin at 9:00 a.m., the 5K Run at 9:30 a.m. and the Awards Ceremony will take place at 10:30. To register or for more info, call 610-520-2227.