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THIS BABY HAS GOOD NEWS!!



After months of planning, plotting, exchanging and re-arranging, we are pleased and proud to present our first-rate, fine and dandy, high-quality WEB Page, www.pcuc.org.

We hope to keep you up-to-date with the newest and best pro-life news from the best sites, along with the latest in research and legislation from local, state and national sources.

Local news will include the latest from PCUC, as well as 40 Days for Life, Sidewalk Advocates, The Magee Project and LIFEPAAC. Also, headlines from all local pro-life groups and those in other parts of the country and the world.

You'll want to keep our address at the top of your list. One of these days YOU might have pro-life news you want everyone to know. That's www.pcuc.org.

ELECTION DAY = TUE., MAY 18

Are YOU registered to VOTE? Deadline to register for the Primary Election is Monday, May 3. Don't be left wishing you had voted.

FOUR QUESTIONS ON EVERY BALLOT

The questions on your ballot are not about pro-life issues, but they will have an effect on how our commonwealth is controlled.

We suggest that—before election day—you go to <https://pafamily.org/ballot-questions>.

We hope you will also tell your family, friends and neighbors to check this site and read it carefully. It could make a big difference in how PA is governed.

'THANKS' TO MOM ON HER DAY



Sunday, May 9, is that special day this year, but we should not let a day go by without prayers and good thoughts, words and deeds for our Mom. She is the one

who put our wants and needs ahead of her own. She loved us even when we were not lovable. She always wanted the best for us. Whether we had a dozen brothers and sisters or if we were an "only child," she made each of us her "favorite."

Each can write his/her own story, but let's never forget to say, "Thanks, Mom!"

PRO-LIFE PROGRAM @ ST. PAUL

St. Paul of the Cross Parish (St. Anne Church, Castle Shannon, in the South Hills) will welcome Toni Jester, leader of Pittsburgh Rachel's Vineyard, on Tuesday, May 18, after the 6:30 Mass. Toni will share the impact of this ministry on hearts that have been broken and lives that have been torn apart. Her message of grace shows that nothing is too big for the Mercy of God.

This is a free event and no registration is necessary. Masks are required. Call Kathy: 412-344-9690 if you have any questions.

MAGEE PROJECT BEGINS 11TH SEASON. PLEASE JOIN US



The Magee Project is beginning its eleventh season of prayer for Magee-Womens Hospital. Thanks to volunteers, every day someone is praying for Magee.

Last August, we started The Church at Magee, an open air, non-denominational gathering of pro-life Christians at Zulema Parklet on the Blvd. of the Allies and Zulema Street near the Panera end of Magee. We're continuing to meet on the fourth Sunday of the month at 4 pm. Everyone is invited to gather to pray, worship, hear a brief message and do a prayer walk around Magee.

Our most recent inspiration is the Safe Space initiative. We know that a large percentage of women who have abortions consider themselves to be Christian, having recently attended church at the time of their abortion.

The Safe Space for Moms and Babies statement is to be read aloud by adopting churches every quarter, as well as prominently posting the statement in their building and online.

We're asking churches to join the initiative and to encourage attendance at The Church at Magee.

For more information or to sign up to pray for Magee, contact TheMageeProject@gmail.com.

HEALTH COMMITTEE HOLDS HEARING ON HORRORS OF ABORTION



Chaired by pro-life champion State Rep. Kathy Rapp, the hearing included testimony by medical experts on fetal development and maternal care. Pro-life doctors gave professional insights into the beautiful details of fetal development, dispelling any myths that unborn babies are merely "clumps of cells." The hearing included pro-abortion testimony that exposed the realities of abortion. Keara Klinepeter, Executive Secretary for the PA Dept. of Health failed to accurately answer several critical questions. Call PCUC for the complete article on the hearings.

WISDOM FOR THE WISE FROM LIFEPAC

A wise person once said "Christians get excited and involved in a race for a candidate that they think can make a difference. If their candidate loses, they no longer get involved, and if they win, they no longer get involved." Thank goodness the type of people that read this newsletter are different. Most of you realize **defending the sanctity of life is a marathon not a sprint**. Many of the gains the prolife cause realized in the past four years have been reversed. The pendulum is swinging back and it could be disheartening to many. We must realize that God calls us to be faithful and do what we can and the results are up to Him. Isaiah 55:8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. Maybe our country needs to suffer some consequences and realize the errors of our ways before we can move forward again.

Our Pennsylvania Primary will be held May 18. Lifepac once again has identified prolife candidates in both parties. Candidates for County Common Pleas Court may cross file but for all other races you may only vote for candidates in your party of registration. There are two very important special elections to fill vacant seats in the State House of Representatives. If you live in Westmoreland County (District 59), please vote for Leslie Rossi. If you live in Armstrong, Butler or Indiana County (District 60), please vote for Abby Major. These are not primary races and your party registration does not matter. The winners of these special elections will finish the two-year terms that could not be completed, one due to death and the other to poor health.

If you would like to receive the Lifepac Voter Guide you see in this newsletter by e-mail each and every election please go to www.lifepac.net and give us your information. We are also looking into software that will allow us to make it easy for you to contact your specific elected officials by email with a personal letter expressing your prolife opinions about upcoming legislation and influence their vote. Please urge your friends and relatives to register at www.lifepac.net and together we can help swing the pendulum back through effective issue advocacy and power at the ballot box. We need more faithful marathon runners to finish the race. Thank you for your efforts. *Jim Ludwig*

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Bill's website

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"Best Pregnancy Help Resources"
Category for 2021!!!**

**You can look at the entire list at
[https://adoptionpress.com/best -
pregnancy-help-resources?pop=
promote](https://adoptionpress.com/best-pregnancy-help-resources?pop=promote)**

**The Pittsburgh pro-life Family can
be very proud of Bill and the work
he has done to promote pro-life
principles in every aspect of our
lives. Bill's TV program on
Pittsburgh's cable channel covers
every aspect of our movement.**

OHIO BANS DOWN SYNDROME ABORTION



Ohio—so close
and yet so far—
bans abortionists
from doing
discriminatory
abortions on
unborn babies with
Down syndrome. It

also bans sex selection abortions and abortions
because of a baby's race.

A judge with close ties to PP blocked enforcement of the law after the ACLU of OH, the Pre-term Cleveland abortion facility and other abortion groups sued. In October, a Sixth Circuit panel upheld the judge's block, but later the full court agreed to hear an appeal.

Last year, attorneys for Ohio told the Sixth Circuit judges that the law is constitutional because it bans doctors from doing abortions for discriminatory reasons. The Trump Justice Department took Ohio's side in the case in January writing, "Nothing...creates a substantial obstacle to women obtaining abortion."

Source: LifeNews 4/13/21

FRONTAL CHALLENGE TO ROE

On March 11, Arkansas SB-6, the "Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act," was signed into law by Gov. Asa Hutchinson. The Act, which criminalizes abortion at all stages of pregnancy except when the life of the mother is at risk, paints a big, red target on *Roe v. Wade*. The bill passed the State Senate (27-7) with three-to-one support and the State House (76-19) with four-to-one support. State Sen. Jason Rapert and State Rep. Mary Bentley worked tirelessly alongside the Arkansas Family Council to ensure the bill's passage.

Instead of tiptoeing around the abortion industry's sacred cow, SB-6 opened a direct frontal assault on the Supreme Court's 1973 abortion decision. The bill compared *Roe v. Wade* (and *Doe* and *Casey*), which denies the personhood of the unborn, with the *Dred Scott* decision (and *Plessy v. Ferguson*), which denied the personhood of African Americans. This is important because abortion advocates' best argument to defend *Roe* is that it should be upheld simply because it is precedent and for no other reason. Just as the Supreme Court overturned its unjust decision in *Dred Scott* and *Plessy v. Ferguson*, so it should overturn its unjust decisions in *Roe*, *Doe* and *Casey*, argues the Arkansas [law]. *Life Advocacy Briefing* 4-5-21

ARKANSAS REP TELLS HER STORY

Julie Mayberry, member of the House of Representatives, told her own story while discussing the Arkansas Unborn Child Protection Act on the State House floor. At 19 weeks gestation, her unborn daughter was diagnosed with spina bifida. Many children with spina bifida, Down syndrome and other disabilities are aborted based on the contorted reasoning that a life with a severe condition is worse than no life at all. Not only is that not true (as anybody who has cared for a disabled child will tell you), but in Mayberry's case the diagnosis was incorrect, and her daughter was born without any disability. Had she thought, as she once did, that abortion was okay, she might have had her healthy daughter killed because of a misdiagnosis.

We thank the Arkansas state legislators who did not cave into media and political pressure to excuse the killing of an unborn child whose conception via a sex crime adds neither guilt nor disgrace to the child him- or herself.

THE DAY WE CRIED FOR IRELAND

As people in the Irish pro-life movement know too painfully, in May 2018 Ireland voted to remove from its Constitution the Amendment protecting the right to life of unborn children. It was a devastating blow, to the pro-life movement in Ireland and to the movement everywhere. Conversely, it was a shot in the arm for pro “choice” campaigners everywhere.

In fact, Ireland helped to set down a new template for how a more liberal abortion regime should be greeted. —that is, not as a regrettable “necessity” in an imperfect world, but as something to be wildly celebrated as an enormous boon for freedom without any downside whatsoever.

On the day of the result, crowds of ecstatic pro-abortion campaigners gathered in the courtyard of Dublin Castle to celebrate. They shouted and roared and literally wept with delight. In their minds it was a simple matter of good triumphing over evil.

PRO-LIFE ACTIVISM LABELED DOMESTIC TERRORISM

In a new Dept. of Homeland Security report, the Biden gang is targeting pro-life sidewalk counselors and organizations as domestic terrorist threats. Pro-abortion advocates were also targeted as potential domestic terrorist threats in the report, though the focus overwhelmingly treats pro-life Americans as the more direct threat. The DHS made no mention of Planned Parenthood, of course.

Source: ALL NEWS Mar.-Apr. 2021

COVID-19 BILL GIVES \$50 MILL TO PP

In addition to the \$540 million taxpayer subsidy that you and I pay to PP to do their dirty work, we note that Congress’ \$1.9 trillion Covid-19 relief package includes a \$50 million payment to Planned Parenthood. We can ask what PP has to do with protecting Americans from Covid-19, but we KNOW the answer is ZERO. Keep that in mind when you go to the polls on Tuesday, May 18.

This issue of our Newsletter is a mixture of happy, sad, victorious, frustrating, new and “old” articles. Let us continue to work for LIFE and PRAY that God will be with us every step of our way. THANK YOU!!

PA’S OWN ‘HYDE’ WINS IN COURT



An attempt by the abortion cartel to overturn PA’s state-level version of the Hyde Amendment—banning state funds for abortion—was rebuffed on Mar. 26 by PA Commonwealth Court, backing the 1982 law by a 6-1 ruling.

The lawsuit was filed in 2019 by several Planned Parenthood affiliates and a few other abortion mills, though the law had been upheld previously by the PA Supreme Court in 1985. In late March the PA Commonwealth Court ruled “that it is bound” by that decision and “that operators of abortion clinics lack legal standing to challenge laws through claiming the constitutional rights of low-income women seeking abortion are violated by the funding restriction. *Life Advocacy Briefing 4-12-21*

PRO-LIFE LAW PASSES IN UTAH

As a host of laws has sprung up in the states aimed at chipping away at Roe v. Wade, one new Utah law appears to have side-stepped that debate entirely with a focus instead on financially empowering women in crisis pregnancies.

It does this by requiring biological fathers to pay half of pregnancy costs. Some in the pro-life movement believe that a focus on alleviating the economic burdens a woman faces in pregnancy, and acknowledging paternal responsibilities, is a winning strategy when laws directly restricting abortion face long periods of litigation.

Katie Glenn at Americans United for Life says the law is a new, creative approach. It acknowledges that it takes a man and a woman to make a baby and that both should be responsible for the baby. A child is not a “woman’s problem to solve” but an individual human being with two parents.” *Source: Natl. Cath. Register 4-25/5-8-2021 Call PCUC for copy of entire article.*

E.R.A. CRAWLS BACK OUT OF GRAVE

The U.S. House voted on March 17 to send to the Senate a multi-issue resolution which included an unconstitutional provision to reinstate a ratification process for the long-dead Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) which legal scholars believe would (among many other negative effects) cement “abortion rights” into the Constitution.

The vaguely worded ERA was first sent out to the states by Congress in 1972, complete with a seven-year deadline for ratification; when it had failed to achieve approval by the needed three-fifths of state legislatures as 1979 approached, Congress adopted a resolution extending the deadline to June 30, 1982. Along the way, PCUC President Eileen Vogel wrote a concise, factual book which helped all of us understand the real reasons behind the drive to pass the Amendment.

The Case Against “ABORTION CONSENSUS --The ProLife Movement at the Crossroads

Randy Engel is a “local” pro-lifer who Founded the U.S. Coalition for Life when our movement was in its infancy. We learned to appreciate the value of every human life when Randy founded The Michael Fund to defend precious children born with Down syndrome and search for a cure for the condition that has been a death sentence for boys and girls with a prenatal diagnosis. We’ve seen the joy and love in families as a child with “that extra chromosome” grows. Randy was at the center of the battle, and we are grateful to her for her leadership.

Now we are caught up in another battle we thought we would never see with people we counted on as allies and companions in the fight for life.

Randy has extracted a section from *The Catholic Inquisitor* to expose the fatal Abortion Consensus campaign currently being promoted and financed by the Knights of Columbus and the March for Life leadership.

Details of the Knight’s costly project are relayed in Anderson’s 2010 book *BEYOND A HOUSE DIVIDED –The Moral Consensus Ignored by Washington, Wall Street and the Media*.

The article is long and you can read it yourself, but we want our readers to be prepared for a big disappointment in a man and woman that most of us looked to as heroes of the pro-life movement.

ABORTION PILL REVERSAL

Women do regret their abortions. Men, too, regret actions they took to encourage abortion. We see them at the March for Life with signs to remind us that abortion is a very bad idea.

Members of the American Assn. of Pro-Life Ob-Gyns promote the life-saving protocol across the country. Abortion activists try to discredit the abortion pill reversal procedure, but medical experts indicate that it is safe and effective.

If you or someone you know says they started the abortion process and now regret it, please keep the Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline Number close at hand.

There are local doctors who can help: You can call 1-877-558-0333// From: LifeNews 4/13/21

APOLOGY FOR ERROR IN MEMORIAL

To the family and friends of Renee Mancini we apologize of the omission of her date of death in the March-April PCUC Newsletter. Renee went to her eternal reward on January 16, 2021.

SCIENTISTS CREATE EARLY EMBRYOS THAT ARE PART HUMAN, PART MONKEY



The embryos were created in part to try to find new ways to produce organs for people who need transplants, says the team of scientists who collaborated in the work. But the research raises a variety of questions. Question: Why push forward with science without having a proper conversation about what we should or should not do? This is not a movie script or a science fiction novel. This is going into the unknown with real human bodies and nature’s wild animals.

Another concern is that using human cells in this way could produce animals with human sperm or eggs. Hank Greely, a Stanford bioethicist says he thinks rogue scientists are few and far between, but they’re not zero. “Should we ever let these go beyond a petri dish?” Let us first ask God what path we should follow.

Portions from: *NPR News*

HONORS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of Terry Gery
from Doree & James. W. Shields

In honor and memory of the living and
deceased members of the Chappie, Bruno,
DeFazio and DeMonaco Families
from Robert Bruno

In honor of Sidewalk Volunteers
from Frank & Roberta Kenski

In honor of pregnant women everywhere
from Mary & Norbert Winter

In honor of PCUC workers
from Thomas R. Schuerger

Memory of Danny McKenna
from Joseph R. McKenna

Memory of Michael Christopher Strathmann
from his Mom & Dad, Bill & Maureen

Memory of Andy & Eileen Ragan
from Dennis & Vicki Ragan

Memory of Joe Scheidler, **A True Pro-Life Giant**,
from Don & Mary Ann Cronauer

Memory of Mary Ellen Dassance Keteles
from her Husband, Paul W. Keteles

Memory of Karen Hensler & Ruth Prakop
from Margie Robl

Memory of Mitchell Serena
from T. R. & Ernesta McMillan

Memory of Jean L. Bossart
from Clay Bossart

Memory of William J. Babyak
from Patricia Babyak

Memory of Margie Williams
from Wendy & Bill Bowes, Jr.

Memory of Louis & Emma Rosner
from Joan Rosner

Memory of Paul Tarabrella
from his beloved daughter, Paulette

Memory of Paul Tarabrella
from Helen Cindrich

Memory of Paul & Julie Tarabrella
from Mr. & Mrs. Vouno & Mike

Memory of Joseph, Margaret &
Virginia Tracy from Catherine Huth

Memory of James &
Thomas Hajdukiewicz
from Leo & Arleen Hajdukiewicz

Memory of Teresa Scurci
from Reno & Christine Vitale

Memory of Frank & Lucille Scurci
from Reno & Christine Vitale

Memory of Michael & Richard O'Toole
from Mary O'Toole

Memory of deceased Wife, Margaret. She
has been gone 6 years. From John Soboslay

Memory of Ernest B. Miller
from Walter & Sharon Wojciechowski

Memory of Kelly Kemp
from Bob & Pat Eckenrod

Memory of Cletus & Bernetta Long
from Thomas & Irene Kopczyk

Memory of Norbert John (BERT) Kelsch
who died March 10, 2021
from Mrs. Mary Jane Kelsch

Memory of Donald Krieger
from Mary E. Krieger

Memory of Rush Limbaugh
from Michael Zampian

Memory of John Walsh
from Jim & Joan Maimone

Memory of Dr. Larry Lyons
from Frank & Helen Cindrich

Memory of Victor Carbin
from Mary M. Carbin

Memory of Renee Mancini
from Letitia Galletta

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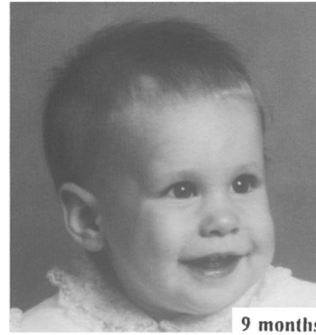
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Natural Family Planning International

www.NFP.Marquette.edu

Please take this sheet into the voting booth with you on May 18, 2021

Vote Pro Life



- Only known pro-life candidates in southwestern PA are listed.
- When there is no pro-life candidate, the office, county or district is not listed.
- * indicates an incumbent.

When there are multiple candidates to be elected, just vote for the prolife ones.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SUPREME COURT

One candidate to be elected

Patricia A. **McCullough (R)** Kevin **Brobson (R)**
Paula **Patrick (R)**

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SUPERIOR COURT

One candidate to be elected

Megan **Sullivan (R)**

PENNSYLVANIA STATE COMMONWEALTH COURT

Two candidates to be elected

Stacey Marie **Wallace (R)**

COUNTY COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS

Allegheny

Nine candidates to be elected

Pauline M. **Calabrese (D/R)** William (Bill) **Caye (D/R)**
Mark Patrick **Flaherty (D/R)** Joseph Patrick **Murphy (D/R)**

Butler

One candidate to be elected

Rich **Goldinger (D/R)** Joe **Kubit (D/R)**

Indiana

One candidate to be elected

Christopher **Welch (D/R)** Gina **Force (D/R)**
Patrick **Dougherty (D/R)**

Mercer

One candidate to be elected

William G. **McConnell (D/R)** Michael A. **Joanow (D/R)**

Washington

One candidate to be elected

Joyce A. **Hatfield-Wise (D/R)**

**There are No Pro-life candidates for Greene County,
Pittsburgh Mayor or City Council.**

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

District 3 Meredith **Dolan (R)** * Patrick J. **Catena (D)** *District 4* Jennie **Brown (R)**
(*write in*)

District 8 Eric **Casteel (R)** *District 9* * Bob **Macey (D)**

**Special Elections for Vacant Seats
PA STATE REPRESENTATIVES**

Armstrong, Butler, Indiana Counties

District 60
Abby Major

Westmoreland County

District 59
Leslie Rossi

**For explanations on the four questions on the
ballot please go to:
<https://pafamily.org/ballot-questions/>**

*Abortion is an intrinsic evil. Support for an intrinsic
evil disqualifies a candidate for public office.*

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