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Knights of Columbus PRAYER RALLY 2004 For God-Country-Family



New York State Right To Life Committee, Inc. Presents... LOBBY FOR LIFE DAY 2004

State Capital Albany
Tuesday March 30th
11:30AM to 2:30PM

Prayer, Petition & Presence

is needed to address
**Life Issues, Parochial
School Assistance &
Catholic Health Care**

Attending: Clergy,
Supreme & State Officers,
K of C Members, Families
& Friends

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND
THIS IMPORTANT
EVENT!**

Nassau & Suffolk Contacts:

◆ Ed McKee
516-454-0993

◆ Keith Wilson
516-663-1435

Buses leaving from many
points, call above contacts or
your nearest K of C Council

LEGISLATIVE DAY 2004 Tuesday, March 16th

Sponsored by

**New Yorker's Family Research Foundation, Inc.
& New Yorkers for Constitutional Freedoms**
Convention Center, Empire State Plaza
(Under the Egg) Albany, New York

Keynote Speaker: David Barton

REGISTER EARLY! For Registration & Transportation
Information Call: *Joe Kelly 631-368-5023 or Rev. Duane
Motley 585-225-2220 or visit www.nyfrf.org for updates.
Registration time 7:00AM \$35 per person continental
breakfast (*Group & student rates are available*) **Teen Track**
[grades 9-12] valuable learning experience for students &
teachers! *All are welcome to attend!* **Talk with your
Senator/Representative about issues that concern you.**
***Bus leaving from Northport Baptist Church at 3:45AM,
with stops at x49 LIE & New Hyde Park.**

MARCH IS LOBBY FOR LIFE MONTH
Bring a bus full of dedicated Pro-Life students
and adults.

- **Tuesday March 30th**
- **9:30AM to 2PM**
- **NYS Legislative Office
Building Hearing
Room 'A', Albany, NY**
- **Speakers to address:**
*Unborn Victims of
Violence*

Schools Welcome:
Free T-Shirts to Students

CONTACT:
NYSRTL at
518-434-1293

For transportation from
Nassau/Suffolk call
Long Island Coalition for Life
631-589-4751 or 631-243-1435

➤ \$10 bus fee, you
must call to reserve bus seats



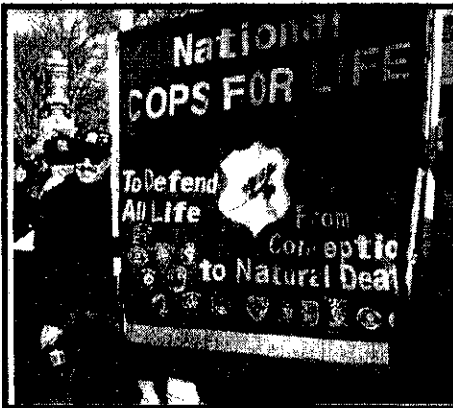
Feminists For Life of New York - Annual Legislative Advocacy Day

To promote pro-life issues among State Legislators

Tuesday, March 23rd 2004 Albany, New York

www.fflny.org

Participants are asked to attend a planning session at a local hotel the night before.
For more information, contact Jill Murman Payne at 516-889-9839



YOU'RE INVITED!

Please join us at the LICL monthly meeting on March 22, 2004. Our guest speaker will be the president of National Cops for Life (NCFL), Vincent Ciapetta. NCFL is a nationwide pro-life organization of current and former law enforcement officers. All are welcome to attend and a special invitation is extended to people in law enforcement.

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.

THANKS TO BUS CAPTAINS

Over thirty bus-loads of Long Island pro-lifers, including many young people, again made the trip to this year's March for Life. The Long Island Coalition for Life thanks all who participated and extends a special 'thank you' to the bus captains who put it all together. We are also grateful to those bus captains who submitted their bus lists so that first-timers could be added to the *Life News* mailing list.

Speakers Available

The Education Committee of Long Island Coalition for Life is made up of education professionals who are prepared to address all areas of pro-life concern. Call to have them address your meeting, school, religious education class, church, or community organization. No fee is expected. This is a service extended to the pro-life community by LICL. Call 631-243-1435.

What: **Face the Truth**

When: Saturday, April 17th in Suffolk & Sunday, April 18th in Nassau

How: Pro-lifers will stand along major roadways holding large signs many of aborted babies using our constitutional rights to free speech and assembly in a peaceful nonjudgmental way.

Why: Despite 30 years of living under Roe v. Wade, too many people do not know or refuse to acknowledge that abortion kills tiny human beings. In an effort to bring the reality of abortion to our communities, the Long Island Coalition for Life is holding a Face The Truth campaign.

Some may consider a public display of graphic photos to be a rather harsh approach, but we consider the way these innocent babies died to be even harsher. We are cognizant that children, in particular, may be offended. That is not our intent. We care that they are growing up in a nation where they could have been aborted up to the day of their birth for any reason and we care that many of them have lost siblings and cousins to abortion. We hope our signs will help bring an end to abortion during their lifetime, making the world a better place where all life is respected, from conception to natural death. The LICL uses many means to spread the pro-life message—Face the Truth is just one of its educational tools. These pictures save lives, convert minds, and hearts, and break through the denial that allows abortion to continue in this country at the rate of over 4,000 each day.

Who: Please consider taking part in this important, exciting, and fulfilling event and call us at 631-243-1435 or send your name, address and phone number to LICL P.O. Box 223, Ronkonkoma, N.Y. 11779. We will contact you.

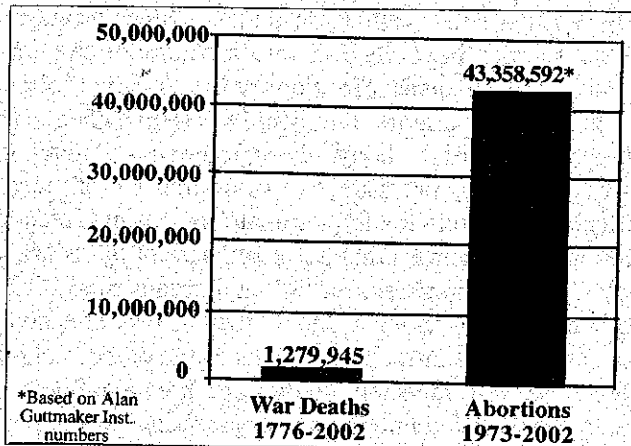
Caution: Many of the signs to be used on 4/17 and 4/18 will show aborted babies.

"A TIME COMES WHEN SILENCE IS BETRAYAL." (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

War on the Unborn Total Abortions Since Roe v Wade Compared to Total War Deaths



Source: Choose Life NRTL Jan/Feb 2004

The chart above cannot describe the extreme pain and suffering that each baby experiences prior to its brutal death by abortion. By your interest and help we can do what is needed to bring about the right to life of our future innocent unborn.

Unborn Victims of Violence Act, S.1019, H.R. 1997

Action: Contact Senators Charles Schumer, Hillary Clinton and your House of Representative Member.

Sample Message: We urge you to support the Unborn Victims of Violence Act S.1019/H.R. 1997 to recognize the unborn children as legal victims when they are injured or killed in the commission of 68 federal crimes. There are two victims that need the law's protection from any attack on their lives.

Contact information: U.S. Senate, Wash., D.C. 20510

	Local Phone#	D.C. Phone & Fax
Schumer	212-486-4430	202-224-6524/228-3027
Clinton	212-688-6262	202-224-4451/228-0282

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

You can call Washington, D.C. toll free 877-762-8762. Ask for your representative by title and name.

South Dakota "House" passes a pro-life bill banning virtually all abortions. On 2/10/04, by a 54-14 vote, the S.D. House of Representatives passed a bill banning all abortions except abortion necessary to save the life of the mother. The S.D. Senate and Governor Mike Rounds need to follow suit. In 2002 there were 826 abortions in S.D. 815 of them were performed by Planned Parenthood. Abortionist would be subject to a fine up to \$5,000 and a 5 year maximum in prison. Source: LIFENEWS.COM 02/06/04

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

NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION Unborn Victims of Violence Act S.403/ A.7524

This bill would make it a crime to injure or kill an unborn baby during commission of a crime of violence. Of all the pro-life bills introduced this year the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act" is probably the one with the greatest chance of becoming law this year.

Action: The State Senate passed this Act in 2003. Please thank Senators Balboni, Flanagan, Fuschillo, Johnson, Hannon, LaValle, Marcellino, Skelos and Trunzo who voted pro-life.

Sample Message: Dear _____ We appreciate your vote in favor of the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act (S.403) on 5/14/03. Please do all you can to ensure that this bill becomes law this year. Thank you very much.

Action: It is also very important that we thank Assembly Members — Acampora, Alfano, Barra, Barraga, and Ferrara who are sponsors of the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act." If your Assembly representative was one of the sponsors of this bill be sure to thank him or her in your letter.

Sample Message: Dear _____ Under our state's outdated Penal Law babies in their mothers' womb are not protected from acts of violence even if that violence is intended to cause their death. Making such acts a crime would serve as a deterrent thus giving women who CHOOSE LIFE greater protection for their pre-born babies. In the past two sessions in N.Y. State the Senate has passed the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act" by a 2 to 1 margin. Why does the leadership of the Assembly refuse to allow this bill to be considered? The rationale of those who support abortion is that women must have the "right to choose" abortion. If they really believe in the "right to choose", then even supporters of abortion should actively encourage passage of this legislation, because, to be consistent, they must also recognize the right of women who CHOOSE LIFE to have the lives of their unborn babies protected. Please work with your colleagues to ensure that the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act" (S.403/A.7524) becomes law in 2004. Please reply.

Contact information:

N.Y.S. Senate	N.Y.S. Assembly
Albany, NY 12247	Albany, NY 12248
518-455-2800	518-455-4100
Bill Status Hotline 800-342-9860. To discuss N.Y.S. Legislation call Mary Arden Smith at (516) 825-4852.	

PRIMARY AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS:

Tues. March 2 — Presidential Primary in N.Y.S.

Tues. March 9th — Special Election for N.Y.S.

12th Assembly District seat in Nassau.

Tues. March 9 — Special Election for N.Y.S. 5th Assembly District seat in Suffolk.

Tues. March 9 — Special Election for Suffolk County Legislator for District 15.

If unsure of your district, and/or, if you need an Absentee Ballot call: Board of Elections:

Nassau 516-571-2411 Suffolk 631-852-4500.

*Since few voters turn out for these elections
your pro-life vote is critical.*

HEALTH & SCIENCE REPORT



OCs AND ECs - WOMEN ARE STILL THE GUINEA PIGS

Before RU486 was made available in the US, several pro-abortion researchers and activists held a news conference stating the drug was dangerous, and women were being used as "guinea pigs" in the pro-abortion push to legalize the drug in the US. Once again, women are in danger from another pro-abortion promotion. This time the culprit is 'Emergency Contraceptives' (ECs) or 'Morning After Pills'.

Oral contraceptives (OCs) work in three ways: "1) to prevent ovulation by suppression of the critical area of the hypothalamus which controls the cascade of events leading to ovulation; 2) causing changes in the cervical mucus which prevents or delays migration of sperm into the uterus [womb]; 3) preventing implantation/nidation of the newly conceived baby onto the lining (endometrium) of the mother's womb." (Bogomir M. Kuhar, PharmD, BS Pharm, FASCP, Abortifacient Drugs and Devices: A Short Review) 'Contraceptive' is really a misnomer for the third possibility—this is an **early abortion**: the pill is then an abortifacient, not a contraceptive (preventing fertilization).

Kuhar states "antibiotic/antifungal use among OC users is quite common since such women are more susceptible to bacterial, yeast and fungal infections secondary to OC use. With continuous suppression of the hypothalamus-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis by constant, daily doses of these potent steroids, such infections mimic people who are on immunosuppressive steroids for *bona fide* medical reasons. The HPA axis controls some of the immune system responses which handle infectious-type assaults on the human body... There is increasing research and theorizing that the immune suppression acted out by OCs is a contributing factor in the increased incidence of heterosexually-contracted HIV infection."

Kuhar continues, "Of the multitude of side effects noted over the almost 40 years of experience with OCs, five very serious risks are associated with OC use: increased incidence of sexually transmitted diseases; pelvic inflammatory disease; infertility; cervical and breast cancer; and ectopic pregnancy. There are also well known dangers of endometrial atrophy (shrinking of the womb) and permanent sterility... Other common drug-induced diseases reported for various OCs include: thromboembolism, coronary artery disease, cerebrovascular disease, hepatic adenomas, gall bladder disease, cholestatic jaundice, cancer (breast, uterine and vaginal), endometriosis, hypercalcemia, porphyria, uterine fibroids, migraines, headache, cycle irregularities, mental depression, vaginal infections, decreased libido and vaginal bleeding *inter alia*... The progestin-only type OCs (POC)... formulated to market to those women in whom use of estrogen is contraindicated or risky... given to women who are breastfeeding on the mistaken assumption POCs are somehow safe to use for neo-

natal sucklings... have shown deleterious adverse effects on breastfed babies including lower infant weight gain, decreased milk production,... and decreased composition of nitrogen and protein content of human milk. Masculinization of female preborns has been associated with POCs. An increased risk of malformation has been shown including increased frequency of cardiovascular defects and hypospadias... Since progestins are poor at suppressing ovulation, they are more often reliant on the other 2 mechanisms of action for the so-called 'efficacy'... Finally, it is important to note OCs send a chemical message to the rest of the body, giving it the impression the OC user is constantly pregnant, twelve months out of the year, year after year... Surely the female anatomy was not intended to experience such unrelenting hormonal assault by its Maker. The potent steroids in OCs affect all vital organs of the OC user to one degree or another. Should the OC user conceive and not chemically abort, all the organs of the preborn child are affected as well, especially in the first three months of pregnancy when differentiation and organogenesis occurs."

ECs are high dose OCs containing estrogen and/or progestin that must be taken within 72 hours of unprotected intercourse. The website for the EC Preven, which contains both hormones, lists side effects including vomiting, irregular bleeding, dizziness, abdominal pain, blood clots, strokes and heart attacks and warns it should not be taken by heavy smokers over 35 or anyone with a history of certain diseases, allergies or symptoms. Due to recognized problems with hormone replacement therapy containing estrogen, the FDA in 2003 asked all manufacturers of estrogen and estrogen/progestin products add warnings to their packaging because **"all hormone products are believed to have similar health risks."** Another EC, Plan B, is progestin only but has a number of the same or similar potential side effects and warnings as Preven though to a lesser degree.

Proposed legislation would allow pharmacists and nurses to dispense ECs to women regardless of age (even 12 year-old girls) without a patient specific prescription. Currently, no prescription drug—not even OCs—can be dispensed without a patient specific prescription. A 12 year-old girl would be able to go to the local drug store or the school nurse without her parents' knowledge or permission and without consulting a doctor and access ECs as often as she wanted. How many young girls will take the time to read all the fine-print warnings in the package insert? How many 13, 14 or 15-year olds know their family medical history? What will be the long-term effects of continued exposure to high doses of estrogen/progestin, especially among sexually active girls who will use EC repeatedly? How many new cases of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases will be caused by this legislation? How many cases of heart disease and cancer will be caused by EC use? How many deaths will these drugs cause? As we become more cautious of over-the-counter medications and supplements, why is the state even considering such legislation? Once again, women and young girls will be the guinea pigs for drugs that can be harmful to them and deadly for their unborn child.

Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568

WANTED: OPPORTUNITIES TO PLACE ADS IN HIGH SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS.

Do you know if your local high school has a publication that accepts ads? Some schools publish a newspaper or yearbook that includes ads. Also drama groups may solicit ads for playbills. Please check these or other publications distributed by the high school. If they have ads, please send the LICL a copy (with the publication name, date and school). The LICL is interested in placing ads in high school publications. We have sent letters to the high schools about this, however, these letters are often disregarded or fail to reach the appropriate person. If you know a specific person at a high school (newspaper editor, journal moderator, etc.) we could use that information to better direct our request. Thank you for your assistance in this effort to reach teenagers with a positive life-affirming message.



Join the Catholic Advocacy Network

The Network is a growing group of Catholic New Yorkers who want to make their voices heard in Albany and Washington—who take their political responsibilities seriously. This is a vehicle with potential to gain the political clout necessary to make our voice count.

It alerts Catholics to breaking legislative developments when action is needed and provides the tools to enable you to e-mail, phone or write ASAP on matters of concern.

Following a Network Alert in September 2003 more than 3,000 Network members sent 9,000 e-mails and letters to Governor Pataki and state legislators.

Join by visiting www.nyscatholic.org and clicking "Join the Network" and completing the form provided. There is no cost. If you do not have e-mail join by calling the N.Y.S. Catholic Conference at 518-434-6195 or mail your name, address, phone, (FAX/E-mail if available), Diocese and Parish to: Kathleen Gallagher, Director, Catholic Advocacy Network, NYS Catholic Conference, 465 State St., Albany, N.Y. 12203. Simply say: I want to join the network!

LifeFest 2004 Conference & Rock the night away Youth Rally

**Sat. April 3—9:30 am-4 pm
Dinner & Concert—6:30 pm
at Fordham University, Bronx**

Speakers: N.Y.S. Sen. Rev. Ruben Diaz, Sr. & Pastor John Ensor.

Conference features: Workshops; Q&A; Sessions in English and Spanish; and more (lifest2004@hotmail.com).

Adults: \$20—All Day Conference with Lunch (Dinner & Concert \$10 extra).

Students: \$15—All Day Conference & Concert (Lunch and Dinner included).

Students: \$ 10—Dinner and Concert only.

All Welcome

Sponsor: Pregnancy Services Network of Greater New York (Phone and Fax) 212-988-6490.

PSN members located on Long Island:

Bridge to Life, The Care Center, Life Center of Long Island, Msgr. Ferris Life Center, MOMMAS House, and Boro Pregnancy Counseling Center. Find contact information for these centers on Page 11 of LIFE NEWS.



OPERATION WITNESS

Washington, DC

April 23, 24, & 25, 2004

A peaceful pro-life response to a weekend of pro-abortion activity.

Fri. Apr. 23—7 pm--Food & Concert.

Sat. Apr. 24—Witness at abortion sites; Dedication of the Monument, *The Reconciliation*; Worship Service, Rally.

Sun. Apr. 25—Religious Services & Witness for Life—line the sidewalks of Pennsylvania Avenue with pictures of smiling babies as pro-abortion marchers pass by.

All Faiths and All Ages Welcome. Sponsor: The Society for Truth and Justice, Randall Terry, President. For additional sponsors go to: www.operationwitness.com

To reserve on buses from Nassau/Suffolk leaving and returning on Sun. Apr. 25. Cost \$25. Call LICL: 631-588-0168 or 631-243-1435.

MARCH 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!

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	Wednesdays 4-5PM	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!**

Pro-Life Viewing

- ♥ American Family Association cable TV-All Programs channel 20 [9&10PM] Call Frank Russo 516-944-3544 or www.afany.org
- ♦ The Issue is Choice: Mon 3/1, East Suffolk (RVHD) 10PM ♦ Why NY Leg. Cover Up Child Abuse: Wed 3/3, Nas/Western Suf. 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 3/1 4/5 (M) 10AM-4PM ADORATION AND BENEDICTION at St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa, (Fr. Graham Chapel)
- Mn 3/1 4/5 (W) 7PM ROSARY FOR LIFE AND NOVENA MASS St. Catherine's, Franklin Square
- Mn 3/1 4/5 (M) 8PM MASS FOR LIFE St. Joseph's-Rectory Chapel, Garden City, NY. All Welcome
- Mn 3/1 4/5 (W) 7:30PM ROSARY FOR LIFE follows Novena, Sacred Heart RCC, Island Park, NY 516-889-5318
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 9:00AM MASS, ROSARY & VIGIL FOR LIFE & PEACE 4PM Benediction, St. Marks RCC, Shoreham, NY
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) Noon-3PM & 6-9PM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR LIFE St. Andrews RCC, Sag Harbor. 631-725-5915
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 7:30 PM BENEDICTION FOR LIFE St. Boniface RCC, Elmont
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 8-12PM ADORATION FOR LIFE St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, NY
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 7-8 PM PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR Our Lady of Victory RCC, Floral Park
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 3-7AM PRO-LIFE VIGIL at St. Aloysius RCC, Great Neck; Fr 3/12-7PM Way of the Cross for the Unborn. Call: 516-482-2770
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 8:30-10:00PM PRO-LIFE VIGIL FOR LIFE AND PEACE St. Matthew RCC, Dix Hills 631-499-8520
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 9PM-5AM ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 8PM-9PM PRAYER HOUR FOR LIFE Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (W) 1:00PM ROSARY FOR LIFE St. John Nepomucene Church, Bohemia, 631-589-0540
- Fr 3/5 4/2 (M) 7:30-8:30PM HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE The Resurrection RCC, 50 Granny Rd., Farmingville, NY
- Sa 3/6 4/2 (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
- Su 3/7 (M) 2-3PM DEANERY 6 PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR St. Joachims RCC, 614 Central Ave., Cedarhurst, NY
Call Mary Caffrey 516-887-2458
- Su 3/7 4/4 (M) 11:15AM ROSARY FOR LIFE Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows Church; 258th & 80th Ave., North Floral Park 718-347-6070

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- Su 3/7 4/4
Su 3/7 (W) 8-9PM **HOUR OF REPARATION TO STOP ABORTION** Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst, NY
♥2-4PM **"ONE NATION UNDER GOD: THE FAMILY AND THE CULTURE OF LIFE"** Immaculate Conception Center, Conference room D, 7200 Douglaston Pkwy., Douglaston, NY. Christifidelis presentation by Rev. John A. Perricone. Free admission and refreshments. All welcome. Call 718-969-0150 or 718-939-6646.
- Tu 3/8 4/13 (M) 9AM **MASS AND ADORATION FOR LIFE** Noon-Rosary, Vigil concludes with **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** at 4PM. Sacred Heart Parish, Cutchogue
- M 3/8 4/12 (M) 10:30AM **EASTERN LI CATHOLICS FOR LIFE MEETING & ROSARY FOR LIFE** St. Rosalie Parish Center, Hampton Bays, NY. ALL WELCOME 631-728-2311
- Tu 3/9 ♥ **SPECIAL ELECTIONS - PLEASE VOTE PRO-LIFE** (see page 3)
- Fr 3/12 4/9 (M) 9AM **ROSARY FOR MOTHERS & THE UNBORN** Sts. Peter & Paul RCC, Manorville, NY
Call Ruth 631-369-7142.
- Sa 3/13 ♥8-Midnight **GODFATHERS BALL TO BENEFIT REGINA RESIDENCE** Sacred Heart School Auditorium, North Merrick, NY. Call 516-489-8497. (See page 8)
- Su 3/14 4/11 (M) 1PM **PROJECT MERCY ROSARY TO END ABORTION** St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn
- Su 3/14 ♥1:30PM **ST PATRICK'S PARADE** Ronkonkoma, sponsored by St. Regis Council K of C. Pro-Life groups invited to march behind the *Families for Life* Banner or bring your own pro-life banner. 631-588-0168 (see page 8)
- Th 3/11 4/8 (M) 7-8PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel RCC, Patchogue (9AM-Midnight-Adoration)
- Th 3/11 4/8 (W) After 7PM **Mass ROSARY & NOVENA FOR LIFE** St. James Chapel, Seaford, NY 516-694-2938
- Tu 3/16 4/20 (M) 7:30-8:30PM **ADORATION, ROSARY, PRO-LIFE PRAYER** - St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown.
- Tu 3/16 ♥**NEW YORKERS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOMS LEGISLATIVE DAY** Albany, NY.
Call for information 585-225-2220 or www.nyfif.org (See front cover)
- W 3/17 4/21 (M) 7:30PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LIFE** Maria Regina RCC, Chapel Pastoral Center, Seaford, NY. Call 516-799-0190
- Fr 3/19 4/16 ♥ (M) 9PM-6AM **ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL 22ND ANNIVERSARY** Our Lady of Lourdes RCC, Chapel Massapequa Park Call Anne Murphy: 631-234-6921. (See page 8)
- Mn 3/22 (M) 7:45PM - **L.I.C.L. GENERAL MEETING** at St. Regis K of C, Ronkonkoma, NY. (see page 2)
All welcome. Call 631-243-1435
- Tu 3/23 ♥**FEMINISTS FOR LIFE OF NEW YORK LEGISLATIVE DAY** Albany, NY 516-889-9839 (See front cover)
- Th 3/25 ♥**DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD** Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus.
- Fr 3/26 4/23 (M) 8-9PM **PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Our Lady of Lourdes RCC, Massapequa Park, NY 516-541-3270
- Sa 3/27 8:30AM-Noon – **EXTRA HELP NEEDED!** Donate an hour or more & help prepare April **LIFE NEWS** for mailing, St. Joseph RCC – GYM 25 Church St., Ronkonkoma. 631-588-4437. Attention Catechism Students – Confirmation Service Hours Can Be Earned by Helping Fold the LifeNews Newsletter!
- Sa 3/27 ♥9AM-2PM **CARE CENTER VOLUNTEER TRAINING** Care Center, Smithtown, NY 631-265-3675 (see page 8)
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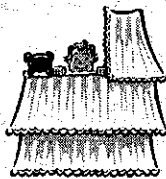
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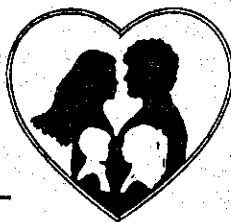
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IT FOLLOWS...?Swiss following Dutch Euthanasia Model: 6-Feb-04 "The Swiss medical association has given the green light to "passive" euthanasia as a legal medical practice." **?French Cardinal Fears Trend Toward Euthanasia:** 5-Feb-04 "The French Cardinal said that the political situation in France has been adversely affected by new laws allowing doctor-assisted suicide in Belgium and Holland." *Source: www.ewin.news & Population Growth and Economic Development, Eamonn Deane*

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Most teens (ages 13 to 17) do not consider abortion to be a morally acceptable choice and oppose the use of abortion in most circumstances. Source: LifeNews.com 11/21/03 - (Gallup Youth Survey 08/01 to 08/29/03.)

Update on LICL Oratory Contest for 11th & 12th grade students. A new category "Stem Cell Research" has been added.

Submission date is March 15. See page 8.

**3/2 & 3/9 Primary &
Special Elections. See page 3.**



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Question: Is it true that Newsday shows pro-abortion bias in its reporting?

Answer: "Thousands of demonstrators from both sides of the abortion debate marched... on the 31st anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Decision." This caption appeared in Friday, Jan. 23rd's Newsday beneath a picture of six "Keep Abortion Legal" signs behind two "Stop Abortion Now" signs, deliberately creating the impression of large numbers of marchers from "both sides," with abortion advocates outnumbering pro-lifers.

In actuality, an estimated 100,000 pro-life Americans, including hundreds from Long Island, marched in Washington on Jan. 22nd to protest the 1973 Supreme Court decision which legalized the killing of innocent pre-born babies. The pro-abortion side, outnumbered by at least 5000 to 1, was represented by no more than a handful of bystanders during the march. At 6 PM, well after the march was over, a group of 50-100 abortion supporters, who didn't march but arrived in taxicabs, assembled briefly by the Supreme Court.

Can anyone doubt Newsday's pro-abortion bias when they so egregiously misrepresent the overwhelmingly pro-life nature of Jan. 22nd's events in Washington?