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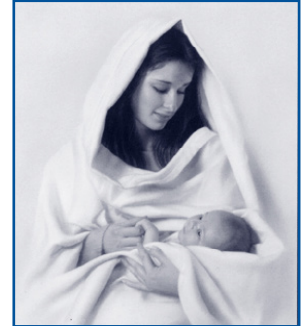
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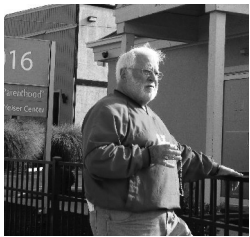
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Merry Christmas

from the Board and Staff of Cincinnati Right to Life



Farewell to Pro-Life Warrior



Family, friends, and compatriots in the work to protect innocent human life mourn the loss of Northern Kentucky Right to Life Founder & President, attorney Robert (Bob) Cetrulo who died Thursday, October 27th. Bob led Northern Kentucky Right to Life since its founding in 1971. He litigated, spoke, and wrote about the bioethical issues of our times, notably in his book *That Reminds Me of a Story: Reflections of a Pro-Life Warrior*.

Bob ensured a still-existing presence of pro-life elected officials in Northern Kentucky, and worked for legislation affecting human life protections in both Kentucky and Ohio, as well as nationally. He was one of the founding members of Helpers of God's Precious Infants Saturday prayer vigils in front of Cincinnati Planned Parenthood's abortion headquarters on Auburn Ave., which still continue. Bob inspired many to stand uncompromising for human life protections.

Dayton WMC Aborts Woman Without Consent

Early August, Dayton Right to Life filed a formal complaint with the State of Ohio Medical Board regarding a June 2015 incident at the Women's Med Center in Kettering, Ohio, which had just come to light. According to a report issued by the Ohio Department of Health, the WMC aborted a late-term baby from a 31-year old woman so impaired by an overdose of street drugs that she could not give consent. Abortion without informed consent is illegal. To-date no further information has been released on this case.

In Memoriam: Joe Menke, Jean Tenover, Linda Shaffer

Cincinnati Right to Life joins with family and friends in remembering the legacies of faith, hope, and charity left by pro-life witnesses Joe Menke, Jean Tenover, and Linda Shaffer. These beloved friends gave selflessly for the good of others, born and unborn. May angels guide you and bring you into paradise: and may all the martyrs come forth to welcome you home; and may they lead you into the holy city Jerusalem (In Paradisum).

Thank You Phil Burress

Nationally respected pro-life, pro-family leader, plus mentor and friend to Cincinnati Right to Life—Phil Burress retired in November as president of Citizens for Community Values after 25 years. Pictured: Vickie and Phil Burress, Paula Westwood, Executive Director, CRTL at Phil's retirement event.



Election Thank You

Sincere gratitude to all who distributed information, encouraged and supported candidates, ran for office, conducted meetings, worked social media, manned the polls, prayed, and fasted for this year's critical major election. May our newly elected and re-elected leaders stand firm for human life protections in law, whether or not it is politically expedient.

Local Catholic Medical Association Established

The Diocese of Covington has established the Sts. Teresa of Calcutta and Faustina Guild of the Catholic Medical Association to offer doctors and medical professionals on both sides of the Ohio River fellowship and support to practice medicine with Christ and St. Luke as models. CMA is a national, physician-led organization faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church and to practicing "virtuous medicine." CMA stands as a witness in the medical community against the culture of death, increasingly influencing healthcare facilities and workers.

40 Days for Life Growth Continues

Thank you to all who planned, supported and participated in the fall Cincinnati 40 Days for Life campaign, conducted simultaneously in all 50 states; 367 cities in 23 countries with 658 babies saved! Locally, 62 known churches and groups, plus individuals peacefully prayed in front of Cincinnati Planned Parenthood's abortion headquarters on Auburn Ave. and at the Women's Med Center, Sharonville.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."

United States Declaration of Independence

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AREA PRO-LIFE EVENTS

Son Rise Morning Show 740AM/89.5FM, Tues., 7:20 a.m., pro-life news spot with host Anna Mitchell Egan and CRTL Executive Director Paula Westwood (SonRiseMorningShow.com)

Women's Med Center Weekday Prayer Vigils, Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Women's Med Center, 11250 Lebanon Rd., Sharonville; on grassy strip between driveway and LaRosa's (513/378-4262)

Women's Med Center Saturday Morning Prayer Vigils, Sharonville, OH; Rosary led by different parishes in the Archdiocese every Sat. morning on the grassy area in front of the abortion mill beginning at 9:15 a.m., except for the 4th Sat. when it begins at 9.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil for Life, Dec. 3, 17 & 24, 8 a.m. & Jan. 7, 21 & 28, Holy Name Church, Auburn Ave., Cincinnati; Dec. 10 & Jan. 14, 8:30 a.m., St. Teresa of Avila Church, Western Hills (513/984-6742); Mass followed by Rosary Prayer walk to Planned Parenthood

Couples for Christ Rosary for Life, Dec. 3 & Jan. 7, 2 p.m., All Saints Parish, 8939 Montgomery Rd., Cincinnati

First Saturday Pro-Life Rosary & Mass, Dec. 3 & Jan. 7, 9 a.m. at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, Norwood; followed by coffee and speaker (513/351-9800)

St. Vincent Ferrer 2nd Wednesday Witness for Life Prayer Vigil, Dec. 14 & Jan. 11, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Planned Parenthood, Auburn Ave., Cincinnati

Mary's Mantle 2nd Saturday Pro-Life Mass & Prayer Vigil, Dec. 10 & Jan. 14, 8 a.m. at Holy Name Church, Auburn Ave., Cincinnati (513/258-7620)

Third Friday Pro-Life Mass, Dec. 16 & Jan. 20, noon at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, Norwood

40 Days for Life Interim Vigils, Dec. 30, 7 p.m., in front of Planned Parenthood on Auburn Ave.; check Facebook.com/40DaysforLifeCincinnati/ for future dates and changes due to weather

33rd Annual Pro-Life Rosary Procession, Jan. 21, 11 a.m., Cincinnati City Hall to noon Fountain Square Rally; emcee Rep. Tom Brinkman; shuttle from Fountain Square starting at 10:15 a.m. to City Hall; refreshments, sleet or snow! (CincinnatiProLife.org)

Butler County Right to Life Prayer March for Life, Jan. 22, 7-8 p.m., Butler County Courthouse, High St. and Court St., Hamilton, OH; rain or shine (513/867-1832)

Archdiocese of Cincinnati Student Busses March for Life Sendoff, Jan. 26, at a parish to be determined (contact, Archdiocese of Cincinnati Respect Life Office 513/421-3131)

March for Life, Washington, DC, Jan. 27 (the 22nd is Sunday; no weekend demonstrations permitted)

Cincinnati Mini-March for Life, in front of Cincinnati Planned Parenthood's abortion headquarters, Auburn Ave., January 27, noon-1 p.m.; sponsored by Greater Cincinnati Young Adults for Life.

Evening for Life 2016



Left: Ryan Bomburger, Center: Joe Brinck, 2016 Life Award recipient with Jack Hart, CRTL President & Paula Westwood, CRTL Executive Director, Right: Tony Maas & Joe Brinck. Photos by Mark Bowen Media.

Pro-Life Saver 5k



Left: Pledge of Allegiance, Center: 5K Run Male Winner - Benjamin Packer (19:10), Right: 5K Run Female Winner - Mary Clare B. (23:22) Photos by Gail Finke and John Szucsik.

March for Life – 44th Roe v. Wade Memorial

The 44th March for Life will be conducted Friday, January 27, 2017 in Washington, DC, to again stand in witness against the January 22nd *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision responsible for millions of tiny lives lost, and parents wounded, by abortion. Openings may still be available on buses from the Diocese of Covington (859/392-1545, ppiccola@covdio.org). NOTE: Check the Calendar (right) and the Area Events page at CincinnatiRightToLife.org for any additional local events as planned.

13th Annual Student Pro-Life Poster Contest

Elementary-age students are welcome to participate in Cincinnati Right to Life's 13th Annual Pro-Life Poster Contest for students grades K-8, deadline March 31, 2017. This year's theme is **Liberty & Justice for All, Born & Unborn**. Cash prizes of \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$5 will be awarded for the 1st-5th place winners in categories K-2, 3-5, 6-8. See CincinnatiRightToLife.org for contest rules and entry forms, or call the RTL office.

Sweepstakes Winners

Congratulations to all of our 2016 Sweepstakes winners! Pamela Felhues, Marianne Castellucci, George Schmeltzer, John Monroe, Kathy Wright, Ann Shannon, James Kroeger, Ellen Molitor, Diane Dorr, Mary Helen Kanitz, & Dianna Zambenedeth.

LIFEPRINTS



Zika Study's Surprise Findings

Despite no verifying studies, the US Centers for Disease Control and the *New England Journal of Medicine* have claimed a link between the Zika virus and microcephaly brain disorder in infants. Planned Parenthood is exploiting these claims to promote abortion for women with suspected Zika virus. But a study from New England Complex Systems Institute indicates this link is suspect. Of 12,000 third-trimester pregnant Columbian women infected with Zika, none had a baby with microcephaly. Based on estimates there should be about 60,000 pregnant women in Colombia with Zika, yet there are hardly any. Rather, pesticides not Zika may be the cause of microcephaly, specifically pyriproxyfen, a new chemical to control mosquitos breeding. Pyriproxyfen was sprayed in areas with a high rate of microcephaly, and added to the drinking water in Brazil state Pernambuco, just before the microcephaly outbreak.

Tax Funding for Animal Human Hybrid Research

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services wants to lift the ban on tax funding for research that mixes human stem cells with animal embryos to create chimeras—part animal, part human creatures. The National Institutes of Health announced the funding ban September 2015, but increased interest in this research and what will result has initiated the proposed change. Concerns are that scientists might create animals with part human brains that might have some kind of human awareness or intelligence, or that created chimeras could breed a combination of human/animal embryos. NIH hopes to lift the ban by late January.

Medical Associations Consider Neutrality on Assisted Suicide

Euthanasia activists are influencing medical associations to support or be neutral on assisted suicide, including: American Public Health Association, The American College of Legal Medicine, American Medical Student Association, American Medical Women's Association, American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, and Visiting Nurses Association of America. Now the American Medical Association is considering changing its traditional opposition to assisted suicide to neutrality. Note: there is no "neutral" when human life protections are concerned.

Legal Assisted Suicide Advances

Washington D.C. Council has legalized assisted suicide to permit patients, 18 years old and up, who are terminally ill and "expected to die" within six months obtain a doctor's prescription to end their lives. Washington DC's neighbor, the state of Maryland, is euthanasia activists' next target. Colorado passed a ballot initiative in November legalizing this deadly practice in that state.

Assisted Suicide Law Influences Insurance Coverage

Terminally ill, Stephanie Packer was told by her insurance company that it would pay for her to switch to a different doctor-recommended chemotherapy drug. But shortly after California's assisted suicide law went into effect this summer, her insurance company denied the treatment. When she called about the coverage denial she asked whether suicide pills were covered under her plan, and found that her plan did—for \$1.20. Stephanie now works to expose that assisted suicide creates an incentive for insurance companies to deny terminally ill people coverage of more expensive, life extending treatment. See the Center for Bioethics and Culture Network documentary on her experience, online at cbc-network.org.

Alaska Court Strikes Parental Notification

The Alaska Supreme Court has struck down a 2010 voter-approved law that required at least one parent to be notified before a minor girl could receive an abortion. Alaska was the first state to pass a parental notification law through a citizen-led ballot initiative. The law did include an option for a young girl to ask a judge to bypass the notification requirement in some circumstances deemed medical emergencies. The court ignored parental rights and accepted Planned Parenthood's argument that the law was unconstitutional and violates privacy rights of pregnant teens.

IL Governor Bans Pro-Life Conscience Rights

Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner has signed Senate Bill 1564, to change Illinois' Health Care Right of Conscience Act. Effective Jan. 1, 2017 all medical professionals, including those for Illinois' 51 pro-life pregnancy care centers, must refer patients for abortion and counsel patients on abortion "benefits."

Those who refuse to provide or participate in abortion must now either refer or transfer a patient to an abortion facility or provide a list of abortionists, regardless of their deeply held moral convictions. Alliance Defending Freedom attorneys representing an Illinois doctor and two pregnancy care centers have filed suit in state court against the governor.

SFLA Expands to Middle Schools

Planned Parenthood is known to have locations near schools with students as young as elementary age, working to infiltrate these schools and influence students with its pro-abortion agenda. Thus Students for Life of America has expanded its college and high school programs with a middle school initiative, to end abortion before it happens by equipping students with solid pro-life knowledge for themselves and as a resource for their peers. The SFLA middle school program and curriculum is still in production, but those interested can sign up online to receive a copy or information about starting a middle school group at <https://sfla.webconnex.com/mssignup>.

Pro-Abortion Discrimination

Life Dynamics's People of Choice web site was established to dispel false representations of pro-life witnesses and show the truth of pro-abortion discrimination and harassment. Members of the pro-life community can share images on the site of pro-abortion actions taken against them. Caution: some photos and information are graphic and offensive; not for children. (PeopleOfChoice.com)

Pro-Life Clothing Line

Four siblings have created a trendy, attractive clothing line with a focus on human rights in the womb. See LifeCultureApparel.com

Phyllis Schlafly's Lasting Legacy

Conservative best-selling author, constitutional lawyer, political candidate, and radio/TV personality, Phyllis Schlafly died September 5th. Phyllis was a leader of the pro-family movement since 1972, when she started her national volunteer organization Eagle Forum. She was staunchly pro-life, opposed radical feminism, and successfully led the campaign against ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

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