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*Western Washington Pro-Life Update*

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John Paul II acknowledged, "We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life.' We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict: We are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life" (*Evangelium Vitae*, No. 28). He calls us as Catholics, true to the faith we have received, to be "unconditionally pro-life" and to accept this responsibility no matter what the cost.

~ Bishop Samuel Aquila, "The Sanctity of Human Life from Conception to Natural Death", November 15, 2007 ~

## COMMENTARY AND NEWS

The [Coalition Against Assisted Suicide](#) is **in need of donations** to help defeat Initiative Measure No. 1000 (assisted suicide). Please visit their website and **make a donation today**. It could help save your life!

American Life League's National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day is April 29, 2008. Visit their [store](#) to order your t-shirt.

## EVENTS

### **It's About Life Conference sponsored by the Knights of Columbus**

Don't miss the 4th annual It's About Life Conference **this Saturday, February 23, 2008**, at St. Joseph's Parish in Kennewick. The conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end around 5:00 p.m. Fr. Pavone will concelebrate 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph's, immediately following the conference. Speakers include Fr. Frank Pavone, Georgette Forney, and Wesley J. Smith.

Please see the [flyer](#) for more information.

Call 509-586-3820 to register.

Directions are available via the [Event Map](#).

### **40 Days for Life**

During the season of Lent leading up to the celebration of Christ's resurrection, from **Ash Wednesday, February 6, to Palm Sunday, March 16 of 2008**, six communities in our area are uniting with 53 other cities in 31 states for a large simultaneous pro-life mobilization - the nationwide **[40 days for Life](#)** campaign. People of faith across America are praying that this effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion.

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign that has generated measurable lifesaving results in more than 80 cities where it has been implemented. Some locations have reported as much as a 28% drop in local abortion numbers and hundreds of new people getting involved in local lifesaving ministry efforts. The 40 Days for Life campaign is made up of three key components:

- Prayer and Fasting: inviting people of faith throughout Washington to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion

- Peaceful Vigil: standing for life through a 40-day peaceful public witness outside a local Planned Parenthood abortion facility
- Community Outreach: taking a positive, upbeat pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church presentations, petition drives, and public visibility

40 Days for Life invites each one of you, and your families, to join with them in this exciting, non-denominational, grass-roots effort.

**Washington state 40 Days for Life vigil locations and contact information:**

**Bellingham**

Mt. Baker Planned Parenthood  
1530 Ellis St.  
Bellingham, WA  
[www.bellingham40daysforlife.com](http://www.bellingham40daysforlife.com)  
[bellingham@40dfl.com](mailto:bellingham@40dfl.com)

**Issaquah**

Planned Parenthood  
75 Dogwood Street #B  
Issaquah, WA 98027  
[www.40daysforlife.com/issaquah](http://www.40daysforlife.com/issaquah)  
[issaquah40days@aol.com](mailto:issaquah40days@aol.com)  
(425) 214-4512

**Kitsap County**

Planned Parenthood  
623 NE Riddell Rd  
Bremerton, WA 98310  
[www.kitsap40daysforlife.com](http://www.kitsap40daysforlife.com)  
[kitsap@40DFL.com](mailto:kitsap@40DFL.com)  
(360) 329-4985

**Olympia**

402 Legion Way  
Legion and Adams (Second Floor)  
Down Town Olympia  
[www.40daysforlife.com/olympia](http://www.40daysforlife.com/olympia)  
[oly40daysforlife@aol.com](mailto:oly40daysforlife@aol.com)  
(360) 480-9329

**Spokane**

Planned Parenthood  
123 E. Indiana Ave.  
Spokane, WA  
[www.40daysforlife.com/spokane](http://www.40daysforlife.com/spokane)  
[elizabeth.life@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth.life@yahoo.com)

**Tacoma**

Planned Parenthood  
813 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Tacoma, WA  
[www.40daysforlife.com/tacoma](http://www.40daysforlife.com/tacoma)  
[Tacoma40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:Tacoma40daysforlife@gmail.com)

All of the local 40 Days for Life locations need more people to participate on Saturdays. Please sign up by visiting one of the above websites.

### **3rd Annual Couples for Christ Pro-life Conference**

The 3rd Annual Couples for Christ Pro-life Conference is March 29, 2008 from 8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. This year's theme is Celebrate Life! "Because Life is Precious!" The conference will be held at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Shoreline, Washington. Speakers will include Camille De Blasi Pauley and Michael Pauley. Please visit [www.cfclifeusa.com](http://www.cfclifeusa.com) for more information and to register.

### **Bremerton Prayer Vigil**

Please join us in praying outside the Bremerton Planned Parenthood abortuary, 623 Riddell Rd. in East Bremerton, on Thursdays from 8:45-10:00 a.m. (after 8:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea). We meet on Thursdays, as this is when abortions take place at Planned Parenthood. We will be praying the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

### **Helpers of God's Precious Infants**

For more information regarding upcoming Prayer Vigils, please visit [Helper's of God's Precious Infants](#).

### **Holy Family, Seattle Activities**

We have a weekly Friday morning prayer vigil in front of the West Seattle Planned Parenthood at 9641 28th Ave SW. We leave from Holy Family Parish (9622 - 20th Ave SW) at 7:15 a.m. As the weather gets colder, we especially welcome those who can join us, either walking from the parish at 7:15 a.m. or in front of the clinic from 7:30 to 8:10 a.m. We walk back to the parish in time for the 8:30 a.m. Friday morning Mass. All are welcome to participate.

### **Olympia Activities**

9:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. each Friday

Catholics meet on Fridays at St. Michael Parish for 9:00 AM Mass, and pray the Rosary for Life at 9:45. The group then meets with others from Show the Truth and at 10:15 we proceed from the church to the Planned Parenthood's Olympia mill. At 11:30 we break for lunch. Then it is back to PP. The day's activities end at 2:45 p.m. with ecumenical prayer. For more information, please contact Ed Sauley at 360-480-9329 or [www.SHOWTHETRUTH.org](http://www.SHOWTHETRUTH.org)

### **Show the Truth Cross State Tour**

We have numerous one day tours which we schedule so as to assist the local pro-lifers with their outreach.

Please call Ed Sauley at 360-480-9329 for directions and information, or check the [SHOW THE TRUTH](#) web page.

### **Tacoma Stands Up For Life**

Sidewalk counseling and Rosary Brigade.

Date: Every Wednesday morning

**Location 1:** Cedar River Abortion Mill, 14th and Martin Luther King Way in Tacoma Hill Top area

Sidewalk Counseling: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Rosary: 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

**Location 2:** Planned Parenthood Abortion Mill, 813 M L K Way

Rosary: 11:15 -12:00 noon

Everyone with a heart for life and the "little ones" are invited to join us as we pray and tell the truth.

For information contact: Bud Niebergall at 564-5241 or Stan Schack at 564-7822.

Please visit <http://gospeloflifeinstitute.org/vigils.htm> for additional prayer vigil dates, times, and locations.

# PRAYER REQUEST

Please continue to pray for Ken VanDerhoef, [Human Life of Washington's](#) Chairman of the Board. He has been diagnosed with a lymphoma cancerous tumor in his stomach. Please keep him in your prayers. We pray for a complete healing.

## SUPPORT

### Rachel's Vineyard

If you wish to attend a [Rachel's Vineyard](#) retreat at one of the locations below, please call or e-mail the contact person listed or call us toll-free at 877 HOPE 4 ME.

### Washington

- **Auburn**  
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814  
Next Retreat: March 28 - 30  
Note: Español
- **Ellensburg**  
Sponsor: Diocese of Yakima  
Contact: [Nancy Murray](#) 509 554 9415  
Next retreat: September 19 - 21
- **Longbranch**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: **February 22 - 24**
- **Stanwood**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: May 30 - June 1
- **Stanwood**  
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814 or [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: TBA  
Note: Español
- **Vancouver**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: May 16 - 18  
Note: Español

### Oregon

- **Eugene**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: TBA
- **Medford**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: **February 22-24**
- **Portland**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: TBA