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Western Washington Pro-Life Update

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"To take life after its inception is a horrible crime; but to prevent human life that the Creator is about to bring into being, is satanic. In the first instance, the body is killed, while the soul lives on; in the latter, not only a body but an immortal soul is denied existence in time and in eternity. It has been reserved to our day to see advocated shamelessly the legalizing of such a diabolical thing!"

~ Archbishop Patrick Hayes, Christmas Pastoral Letter, 1921 ~

COMMENTARY AND NEWS

In all the dioceses of the United States, January 22, the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, shall be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. Please approach your pastor and request that a Mass for this intention be said on January 22. Priests are asked to wear violet vestments to celebrate Mass on this day.



FOCA Postcard Campaign

Please participate in the the USCCB postcard campaign against the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA) during the weekend of January 24-25, 2009. If passed, FOCA would nullify all federal and state laws restricting abortion in this country. The Archdiocese of Seattle will provide postcards and flyers to pastors for parish distribution. For more information, please visit www.nchla.org/datasource/Idocuments/Instructions.pdf.



Stop the Bailout for Planned Parenthood

[Susan B. Anthony List](#)

Abortion groups have submitted their 50 page proposal to the Obama-Biden transition team. At the top of the list? More taxpayer dollars for abortion organizations like Planned Parenthood. How much more? Over 1.5 billion dollars more! Please visit the Susan B. Anthony List's [Legislative Action Alerts](#) for more information and to contact your senators urging them to keep your tax dollars out of the pockets of abortion providers.



March for Life Buses

The [Central Deanery Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women](#) is sponsoring two buses to the March for Life in Olympia on January 20, 2009. The buses will arrive in time for riders to attend Mass at St. Michael's. Please see the [flyer](#) for more information. Space is limited. The deadline for bus reservations is January 13.

Please visit our [Spotlight](#) page for additional bus information and updates.

EVENTS

Washington State March for Life

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, **January 20** and plan on participating in the 31st annual Washington State March for Life in Olympia to witness that all life is sacred. The March will be followed by a *Week for Life*. Visit www.washingtonmarchforlife.org for more information.

If your group is planning on taking a bus to the Washington State March for Life, contact Aileen McEntee Carrell. If you have additional information or questions, contact Dick McEntee.

Walk for Life West Coast

Join tens of thousands of pro-life women, men, families, and friends as they take to the streets of beautiful San Francisco proclaiming that 'Abortion Hurts Women' and 'Women Deserve Better than Abortion®'. Walk on **January 24, 2009** and let the world know that there is an ever increasing voice for Life on the West Coast! Join [Walk for Life West Coast](#) in ever greater numbers as we challenge the belief that abortion is a good choice for women. Walk to proclaim that Life is a Choice —Life is the Best Choice!

If you would like to organize a group or would like further information, e-mail info@WalkforLifeWC.com

Please help promote this event by downloading and distributing the .pdf flyers: [English](#) or [Spanish](#)

40 Days for Life

The Spring 2009 [40 Days for Life](#) campaign is scheduled to take place between February 25 and April 5. Please mark your calendars and plan to participate.

Bremerton Prayer Vigil

Please join us in praying outside the Bremerton Planned Parenthood abortuary, 623 Riddell Rd. in East Bremerton, on **Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** We pray 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

Mondays, 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Sidewalk counseling and prayer at Olympia's Planned Parenthood (Meet at Planned Parenthood). Fr. Lee Perry from St. George Byzantine Church leads prayers. All faiths are welcomed and respected.

Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Some Catholics meet on Fridays at St. Michael Parish for 9:00 a.m. Mass, and pray the Rosary for Life at 9:45. They then join the sidewalk counselors who have been at Planned Parenthood beginning at 8:00 a.m. The counselors are able to offer immediate help (Shelter Home for Pregnant Teens) to those arriving for abortions. At 12:30 we break for lunch. The day's activities **usually** end around lunchtime with ecumenical prayer. For more information, please contact Ed Sauley at 360-480-9329 or 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 REQUESTS

Please keep Fr. John Neuhaus in your prayers. "His friends and family are keeping vigil and he was administered last rites shortly after midnight. Fr. George Rutler, who gave him the Catholic Sacrament, says that 'he is not expected to live long' and suggests 'that it is appropriate that prayers be offered for a holy death.'

Fr. Neuhaus has come close to this moment before and been back. If it's his time: Go in peace. He's a man who has loved and served His Lord. When he leaves this world, his vast intellectual and spiritual body of work will have a long life here."

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 toll-free 877 HOPE 4 ME.

Washington

- **Auburn**
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814
Next Retreat: TBA
Note: Espanol
- **Ellensburg**
Sponsor: Diocese of Yakima
Contact: [Nancy Murray](#) 509 554 9415
Next retreat: TBA
- **Longbranch**
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: February 20 - 22, 2009
- **Stanwood**
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: May 15 - 17, 2009
- **Vancouver**
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: TBA
Note: Espanol

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: March 6 - 8, 2009
- **Portland**
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186
Next retreat: April 24 - 26, 2009

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