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Western Washington Pro-Life Update

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"I would like to say, humbly, to those who suffer and to those who struggle and are tempted to turn their backs on life: turn towards Mary! Within the smile of the Virgin lies mysteriously hidden the strength to fight against sickness, in support of life. With her, equally, is found the grace to accept without fear or bitterness to leave this world at the hour chosen by God".

~ Pope Benedict XVI, Lourdes 9/15/08 ~

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Gospel of Life Institute invites you to "illuminate hope" in the lives of mothers and their babies by joining us as we Ride, Run or Walk 4 UltraSound this **Saturday, September 20**, at Point Defiance Park in Tacoma. **Ride** one of four distances (5, 25, 42 or 62 miles) beginning at **7:30 a.m.**; **run** a 5K or 10K timed race at **10:30 a.m.**; or **walk** (5K) through the pristine beauty of an old-growth forest at **11:00 a.m.** All participants will enjoy the **Family Fun Festival** with a free pancake breakfast, live Christian music, food and inflatables for the children from **9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

If you have not already registered, you may do so on the morning of the 20th at Point Defiance Park.

Please make a donation to 4US via one of our team members, [Fr. Ed White](#), [Rachel Olson](#), or [Brendan Boyle](#).

COMMENTARY AND NEWS

Some ways in which you can help the [Coalition Against Assisted Suicide](#) in the last few weeks before the election include:

- Take a handful of their palm cards around to your neighborhood and talk about the dangers posed to Washingtonians if Assisted Suicide becomes public policy. Let [Carrie](#) know if you need her to mail materials to you. You will need to furnish her with your name, address, city, zip, phone and email for assignment purposes.
- Spend some time at local events or stores handing out information.
- Write a Letter to the Editor of your local newspaper against I-1000. If you need some background information for your letters, visit the coalition's [website](#).
- [Make a contribution](#) to their campaign.



"In God's Time" is a 14 minute, moving presentation of Catholic teaching on life as well as the alternatives to assisted suicide. The video can be viewed at www.thewsc.org/LifeEd/edresources

Bishop Vasa of Baker, Oregon, and Archbishop Naumann and Bishop Finn of Kansas City recently addressed the issue of faithful citizenship. Please read [Bishop Vasa: Pro-Abortion Candidates are "Disqualified" - Clarifies "Faithful Citizenship"](#) and [Kansas City Bishops Say No "Proportionate" Reason to Vote for Pro-Abortion over Pro-life Candidate](#) to learn what they had to share.



Thanks to the UK-based Christian Institute, Google will allow religious pro-life advertisements. Until a few days ago, searching "abortion help" brought up only pro-abortion advertisements. Today, that search brings up [Birthright](#), [Optionline](#), and [StandUp Girl](#), too. Please visit [Catholic News Agency](#) for the full story.



USCCB APPLAUDS PROPOSED CONSCIENCE REGULATIONS FROM HHS

WASHINGTON—Proposed government regulations to protect the conscience rights of health care professionals and institutions drew applause September 12 from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). [Read more...](#)

EVENTS

Faithful Citizenship

You are invited to attend a presentation on Faithful Citizenship by Jim Thomas, from the Archdiocese of Seattle, on Sunday, **September 21**, at 1:00 p.m. at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in the Pope John XXIII Room. (MQP -1121 228th Avenue SE, Sammamish.)

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life begins next Wednesday, **September 24** and will run through November 2 (the Sunday preceding the national elections). Please register to participate in this peaceful, oftentimes 24-hour, prayer vigil by visiting one of the websites linked below.

[Centralia](#)

[Everett](#)

[Olympia](#)

[Seattle](#)

[Spokane](#)

[Tacoma](#)

[Tri-Cities](#)

If you would like to learn more about 40 Days for Life, please watch "being HUMAN: 40 Days for Life II" this Sunday, September 21, at 6:00 p.m. Pacific on Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN).

St. Stephen the Martyr Parish Respect Life Committee invites you to pray with the nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. For information on how you can take a prayerful stand for life in the Renton area during these 40 days, please contact Louise Scott at 425-271-7185.

Weekly Hour of Reparation for the Upcoming National Elections

God is conscious of every strand of hair upon our heads. He cares greatly about our world, our nation, and the elections for which we are preparing.



Please join us for a weekly holy hour of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the intentions of our national elections. We ask that God's will be done as He guides the minds and hearts of those who go to the polls.

WHEN: Every Wednesday, **June 25 to November 4, 2008**

WHERE: **Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Bremerton**

IN THE CHAPEL

TIME: **3:00 to 4:00 pm**

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT: Suzan Hudak

Peaceful Prayer Vigil

Father Ed White invites you to join him in a peaceful prayer vigil on Saturday morning, October 4, at St. Stephen the Martyr Church, 13055 S.E. 192nd, Renton.

8:15 a.m. Benediction,

8:30 a.m. Mass,

9:15 a.m. Pro-Life Rosary on the sidewalk at the Cedar River Clinic at Talbot and S. 43rd.

Contact Louise Scott 425-271-2185 if you have questions.

Life Chain

The 21st Annual Life is Sunday, **October 5**. Please see below for locations and times:

- * **BELLEVUE / REDMOND** - 148th Ave NE at NE 24th St south of Hwy 520, first Sunday of every month all year, including Oct 5, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; [Myron Miller](#) 425-643-1246 or [Robert Owen](#) 425-746-5056
- * **BELLEVUE** - NE 8th St & Bellevue Way NE, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; [Myron Miller](#) 425-643-1246 or 800-473-6175
- * **BELLEVUE** - 156th Ave NE at NE 8th St, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; [Myron Miller](#) 425-643-1246 or 800-473-6175
- * **BOTHELL** - St Rte 522 at Bothell-Everett Highway, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Ronald Fernandes](#) 425-821-3599
- * **BURLINGTON / MT VERNON** - S Burlington Blvd at E Cedar St, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; Susan 360-757-3909
- * **CENTRALIA / LEWIS COUNTY** - I-5 Fwy Exit 82 off ramp at Harrison Ave, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.; signs available at 2:15 p.m. at AM-PM side lot across from Wendy's on Harrison; [Darlene Mackey](#) 360-748-3706
- * **EVERETT** - Everett Mall Way at 3rd Ave SE, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Arlene Noyes 425-778-0258
- * **FEDERAL WAY** - S 320th St at Pacific Highway S, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; [Chaplain Mike Ballinger](#) 253-927-3757
- * **KENNEWICK / PASCO / RICHLAND** - Columbia Center Blvd at Grandridge Blvd, 2:30 to 3:45 p.m.; Jim Toth 509-546-9923
- * **LYNNWOOD / EDMONDS / MOUNTLAKE TERRACE** - 220th St SW at Hwy 99, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; Nicholas & Marie Harkins 425-775-9711
- * **OLYMPIA / THURSTON COUNTY** - Legion Way at Adams, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Dani Sauley](#) 360-491-0610

- * **RENTON** - S 43rd St & Talbot Rd S, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; Sarah Schaper 206-243-7515 More details are available at www.ststephens.us/bulletin/SEP_21_2008_insrt1.pdf
 - * **SEATTLE** - NE 50th St at Interstate 5 overpass, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; Carol Fraser 206-365-3064
 - * **SEATTLE / WHITE CENTER** - 17th Ave SW at SW Roxbury, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.; [Toni Halsey](mailto:Toni.Halsey@ststephens.us) 206-856-0609
 - * **SEDRO WOLLEY** - Hwy 20 at Ball St, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Pastor Bill Heberling](mailto:Pastor.Bill.Heberling@ststephens.us) 360-856-0509
 - * **SILVERDALE** - Silverdale Way at Ridgetop Blvd, 2:00 to 3:15 p.m.; [Tom Holtznider](mailto:Tom.Holtznider@ststephens.us) 360-830-0650
 - * **SPOKANE** - Division Couplet between Mission and Indiana, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Violet Stephens](mailto:Violet.Stephens@ststephens.us) 509-238-6356
 - * **STANWOOD / CAMANO** - SR 532 at 88th Ave NW, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Bill & Karen Majkut](mailto:Bill.Karen.Majkut@ststephens.us) 360-939-2102
 - * **WHATCOM COUNTY / BELLINGHAM** - Guide Meridian at Horton Rd, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; [Juanita Verbree](mailto:Juanita.Verbree@ststephens.us) 360-354-8329
- Visit www.lifechain.net for more information.

Public Square Rosary Rally

You are cordially invited to take part in an outdoor Public Square Rosary Rally in honor of the 91st anniversary of the miracle of Fatima on Saturday, **October 11** at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish in Bremerton from 11:15 to 12:45.

Healing the Culture: A New Vision for Life

Healing the Culture's 2008 Conference and Expo will be November 6-8 at the Hilton Bellevue Conference Center. Visit www.healingtheculture.com to register.

March for Life

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, January 20, 2009 and plan on participating in the 31st annual March for Life in Olympia. The March will be followed by a week of pro-life activity, volunteering at Crisis Pregnancy centers or other pro-life charities and witnessing in prayer at abortion clinics on January 21, 22, and 23.

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](http://www.helpers.org).

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)

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 continue to pray for Ken VanDerhoef, [Human Life of Washington's](#) Chairman of the Board.

Please pray for Fr. Ed White. He is looking forward to participating in and seeing many of you at 4US on September 20.

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: **September 19 - 21**

- **Longbranch**
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: TBA
- **Stanwood**
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: May 15 - 17, 2009
- **Tacoma area**
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814 (Espanol) or [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE
Next retreat: **September 19 - 21** Espanol
Next retreat: **November 7 - 9**
- **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: TBA
- **Portland**
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186
- Next retreat: November 14 - 16

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