

You Can Save Someone's Life Today!

Priests for Life is willing to provide this flier free of charge to any pastor who is willing to include it as an insert in the parish bulletin to provide life-saving information to his whole congregation!



Fr. Frank Pavone discusses pro-life strategy with Mother Teresa in Calcutta

“I encourage all the supporters of Priests for Life to increase that support and work harder than ever to build on the progress you have already made in bringing about a Culture of Life.” – His Eminence, Cardinal Renato Martino, Vatican City

There are alternatives to abortion

Any woman who is pregnant and in need can turn for help to the pro-life movement. She never has to feel that abortion is the only option. Thousands of pregnancy centers, Churches and other organizations are providing counseling, medical services, legal advice, job and education opportunities, adoption services, or just the understanding ear of a friend. People anywhere in the country can find assistance at the following numbers:

Option Line of Heartbeat
1-800-712-HELP (4357) • www.PregnancyCenters.org

Please publicize this number and website!

Pastors may want to place this number and website on their parish bulletin, or link to it from their parish website. Individuals should keep this information close at hand at all times, and also share it with schools, hospitals, and other community groups. The information can be placed on posters, business cards, in newspaper ads, on the internet, and on signs posted in Churches, stores, and other places.

Utilize our Resources

Priests for Life is the largest pro-life ministry in the Catholic Church. It is an Association of the Faithful and a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation.

Sign up for pro-life updates: subscribe@priestsforlife.org

Resources for Clergy: clergy@priestsforlife.org

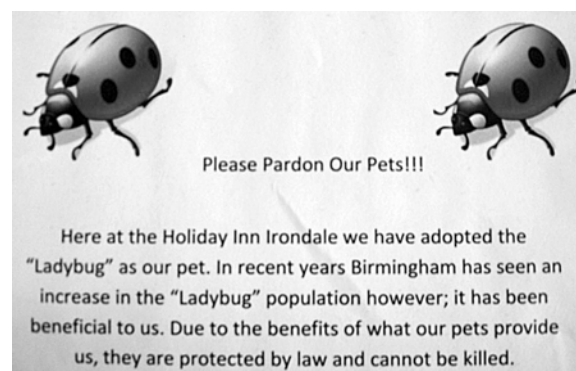
Invite pro-life speakers: www.priestsforlife.org/speakers

Tune in to pro-life radio and TV programs: www.priestsforlife.org/media

There is forgiveness after abortion

We who reject abortion do not reject those who have had abortions. Counseling, forgiveness, and healing can be found after abortion. Priests for Life facilitates the world's largest ministry for healing after abortion. Known as "Rachel's Vineyard," this ministry holds hundreds of retreats worldwide each year and provides followup services as well.

To access the healing that Rachel's Vineyard and other ministries provide after abortion, enter your zip code at www.AbortionForgiveness.com



This notice was in a hotel in Birmingham, AL. If we don't have the right to choose to kill a ladybug, why do we have the right to choose to kill a baby?

WHAT IS AN ABORTION?

Although abortion is among the most common surgeries in America, most people never see what it looks like. The hearts and minds of most people who see it are changed forever. See for yourself! www.Unborn.info

Following are quotes from three abortionists and the Supreme Court, all describing legal abortion procedures:

“Question: Can the heart of a fetus or embryo still be beating during a suction curettage abortion as the fetus or embryo comes down the cannula?”

Answer: For a few seconds to a minute, yes.”

(Sworn testimony given in US District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin (Madison, WI, May 27, 1999, Case No. 98-C-0305-S), by Dr. Harlan Raymond Giles, an abortionist. He describes legal activity.)

“A long curved Mayo scissors may be necessary to decapitate and dismember the fetus...”
(From the medical textbook Abortion Practice – Dr. Warren Hern, p.154, describing legal activity)

“The friction causes the fetus to tear apart. For example, a leg might be ripped off the fetus as it is pulled through the cervix.”

(US Supreme Court, Gonzales vs. Carhart, April 18, 2007, describing the D&E procedure, which is legal)

“Typically the skull is brought out in fragments rather than as a unified piece...”

(Sworn testimony given in US District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin (Madison, WI, May 27, 1999, Case No. 98-C-0305-S), by Dr. Martin Haskell, an abortionist. He describes legal activity.)

HOW FAR IN PREGNANCY IS ABORTION LEGAL?

As the University of Detroit Law Review points out, *“The Supreme Court's decisions...allowed abortion on demand throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy”* (Paul B. Linton, Enforcement of State Abortion Statutes after Roe: A State-by-State Analysis, Vol. 67, Issue 2, Winter 1990).

HOW MANY ABORTIONS OCCUR?

According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute, in 2011, 1.06 million abortions took place in the United States. Approximately 38,000 of these occurred on women who were 16 to 20 weeks pregnant; approximately 12,700 occurred on women who were 21 weeks or more into their pregnancy. According to one set of CDC government data, over 64,000 abortions in a year are performed on *women who had had three or more previous abortions.*

From 1973 through 2011, nearly 53 million legal abortions occurred in our country.

WHY DO PEOPLE GET ABORTIONS?

Abortions are done mostly for non-medical reasons. As the abortion industry itself admits on the website of the Alan Guttmacher Institute, "*[T]hree-fourths say they cannot afford a child; three-fourths say that having a baby would interfere with work, school or the ability to care for dependents; and half say they do not want to be a single parent or are having problems with their husband or partner.*"

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO?

Join our Prayer Campaign

Prayer is the foundation of everything we do in the pro-life movement. You can strengthen the movement, save lives, and change hearts and minds by praying explicitly each day for an end to abortion, for the babies and their parents, for doctors and public officials, and for all who are working in this great cause. At www.PrayerCampaign.org you can follow our prayer campaign throughout the year. You will find

- A daily prayer to end abortion
- Seasonal pro-life prayers (Advent, Lent, Easter, etc.)
- Novenas to prepare for special days (like January 22, the commemoration of Roe vs. Wade)
- Pro-life prayers for multiple occasions

We invite you to join this effort and to promote it in your family, parish, school, pro-life group, website, and more!

Partner with the Silent No More Awareness Campaign

At www.SilentNoMore.com, you can partner with the world's largest movement of women and men who have lost children to abortion. By doing so, you can spread the word that healing and forgiveness are available to those who have had abortions. An individual, organization, or church can "partner" with the campaign and thereby

- Promote the opportunities for healing.
- Use the testimonies (text, audio, and video) of those who have had abortions, to awaken others to the devastation it brings and to the healing Christ brings (see www.AbortionTestimonies.com).
- Invite men and women who are willing to share their abortion testimony to do so at gatherings, in churches, on radio and TV, or in private meetings with legislators and others.
- Invite those who have lost children to abortion to go to IRegretMyAbortion.com and indicate, anonymously if they prefer, that they regret their abortions. This creates a large chorus of voices showing the damage abortion does.

Study and Live the Pro-life Spirituality

Defending the unborn is not simply a “hobby” or a political ideology. It is a spirituality, an aspect of one’s discipleship of Christ. You can study and commit to live the spirituality of being pro-life, and the particular virtues that go with it, by visiting **www.MissionariesoftheGospelofLife.com**. By doing this you will be given specific reading material that will deepen your understanding of the pro-life movement, such as Fr. Frank Pavone’s books *Ending Abortion, Not Just Fighting It*, *Pro-life Reflections for Every Day*, and *Abolishing Abortion*, along with Janet Morana’s book *Recall Abortion*.

You will also be able to connect with and be encouraged by like-minded people around the world who are also committed to this spirituality. You will meet them through our conference calls, online networking, and “Life cell” meetings in local communities. Visit **www.MissionariesoftheGospelofLife.com**. Ask for our introductory manual online or by calling 888-735-3448.

Minority Outreach

Priests for Life assists the African-American and Hispanic communities to realize that the pro-life movement belongs as much to them as to anyone else. Resources designed specifically for these communities are available, as are speakers and strategic alliances. You can help promote the pro-life message among African Americans by going to **www.AfricanAmericanOutreach.com**, and within the Hispanic community at **www.SacerdotesPorLaVida.com**.

Tune in to “Defending Life”

From the privacy of your own home, you can learn from the experts about the best pro-life strategies and most compelling pro-life testimonies by tuning in to “Defending Life,” the world’s largest, longest-running TV series about abortion and the pro-life movement. Hosted by Fr. Frank Pavone, this series airs on EWTN, the world’s largest religious broadcasting network. It can be heard on radio and internet as well. You can also order DVDs of the programs. Visit **www.DefendingLife.TV** for details.

Connect with us Online

We have an extensive online presence serving multiple needs of the pro-life community. Our main website is **www.PriestsforLife.org**, and there you will find the links to the various facets of our ministry.

At **www.PriestsForLife.org/SocialMedia**, you will see a list of our platforms on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, GooglePlus, Tumblr, Flickr, Pinterest, and more!

- Hear homilies Fr. Frank and the other priests have given (**www.priestsforlife.org/audio**) and watch our videos (**www.priestsforlife.org/video**).
- Sign up for our email alerts (**subscribe@priestsforlife.org**)

- Send us your prayer requests (www.priestsforlife.org/PrayerIntentions)
 - Ask any question you have and get an answer! (www.ProLifeQuestions.com)
- And much more...



Fr. Frank Pavone and Dr Alveda King, fulltime Pastoral Associate of Priests for Life and Niece of Dr Martin Luther King, Jr.

Exercise Political Responsibility

The pro-life movement works across party lines and calls everyone to rediscover that the foundational principle of government the right to life, and the duty of government to protect life. Moreover, if we want our public policies to be based on that principle, then it's necessary to participate in elections and in communicating with those who are elected.

At www.PoliticalResponsibility.com, you can learn more about the many activities you, your family, your organization, and your church can take part in to make a difference in public policy. You can learn about how to register voters, find information about candidates, get people to the polls, and hold public officials' feet to the fire so that they deliver on their promises.

What happens to people after an abortion?

After my abortion I hemorrhaged, later to become infected. When I met the man I wanted to marry I found I would never be able to have other children. He wanted children, we did not marry....—Lavonia

I struggled to face the joy of others who became pregnant and the pain of holding a newborn baby was too much. Then I broke, yes literally had a nervous breakdown of hellish proportions, was hospitalized...—Karen

Eventually I got out of bed, but I battle depression to this day and have been suicidal many times in my life. I abused drugs and alcohol. I was very promiscuous but never enjoyed sex. I had very little self-worth and developed bulimia. I hated my parents and rebelled anyway I could.—Kelly

Read more at www.AbortionTestimonies.com



*Fr. Frank Pavone with Norma McCorvey, the former “Jane Roe” of the Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*. Norma is now pro-life, and Fr. Pavone received her into the Catholic Church in 1998.*

FATHER FRANK A. PAVONE

FR. FRANK PAVONE is one of the most prominent pro-life leaders in the world. He was ordained in 1988 by Cardinal John O’Connor in New York. In 1993 he became National Director of Priests for Life. He is also the President of the National Pro-life Religious Council, and the National Pastoral Director of the Silent No More Campaign and of Rachel’s Vineyard, the world’s largest ministry of healing after abortion. He travels throughout the country, to an average of four states every week, preaching and teaching against abortion. He produces programs regularly for religious and secular radio and television networks. He was asked by Mother Teresa to speak in India on abortion. The Vatican appointed him to the Pontifical Academy for Life and to the Pontifical Council for the Family, which fosters the pro-life activities of the Catholic Church. He was present at the bedside of Terri Schiavo as she was dying and was an outspoken advocate for her life. He was invited by members of the Class of 2009 at Notre Dame to lead an alternate commencement ceremony for those students who refused to attend the ceremony in which President Obama was honored. Fr. Frank preached at the Congressional prayer service just prior to the vote on health care reform. He received the “Proudly Pro-life Award” by the National Right to Life Committee, and numerous other pro-life awards and honorary doctorates. Norma McCorvey, the “Jane Roe” of the Supreme Court’s *Roe vs. Wade* abortion decision, called Fr. Pavone “the catalyst that brought me into the Catholic Church.”

Fr. Frank Pavone is National Director of Priests for Life. The Vatican appointed him to the Pontifical Council for the Family and the Pontifical Academy for Life. In 1993, he was authorized by Cardinal John O'Connor to lead Priests for Life, and continues to do so today with his bishop's permission.



Save Lives by donating to our work! • Priests for Life is supported only by you!

Priests for Life is the largest ministry in the Catholic Church focused on ending abortion. We rely completely on individuals like you! All contributions are tax-deductible and are used to carry out the kinds of activities described on this flier. Priests for Life is not subsidized by dioceses, the Bishops' Conference, or the Vatican. You may donate at www.priestsforlife.org/donate, or by making a check payable to "Priests for Life" and sending it to PO Box 141172, Staten Island, NY 10314. If you wish to support us with a monthly donation, you may sign up online or call us at 888-735-3448, ext. 232., and we will arrange to charge your credit card automatically, in the amount you designate.