The National Pro-Life Religious Council

The National Pro-Life Religious Council (NPRC) is a Christian coalition which acknowledges Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and works to encourage every Christian denomination to affirm and witness to the biblical standard of the value, dignity and sanctity of human life, and to foster ministry to those vulnerable to the violence of abortion or euthanasia.

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National Institute of Family and Life Advocates (NIFLA)

Presbyterians Pro-Life (PPL)

Priests for Life (PFL)

Taskforce of United Methodists on Abortion and Sexuality

Presbyterians Pro-Life Expands Pro-Life Outreach to Other Denominations

Presbyterians Pro-Life (PPL), under the leadership of Marie Bowen, brought their Pro-Life Ministry to three denominations in the month of June. The outreach team conducted talks and staffed booths in Portland, Oregon, Mobile, Alabama, and Northville, Michigan.

Marie said their outreach was very well received with many people wanting to discuss the pro-life issue.

People seemed hungry for information with brochures and educational pamphlets “flying off the table.”

Issue’s of PPL’s PCUSA Newsletter were handed out on the street.

“Conversations in an exhibit booth are like seeds planted. I know of individuals who have been inspired by our team members to start a local chapter or revitalize one that is apathetic. One man went home and teamed up with a local pregnancy center to begin a mentoring ministry to the dads of women who came to the center for help. Those contacts should never be undervalued!”

PPL’s outreach projects represent a powerful pro-life educational way of bringing to pro-life message to church members. Ironically may devout church attendees have little knowledge of fetal development or the horrible aftermath of abortion and even less about how abortions are performed.

Marie feels PPL’s mission is two fold, first to save unborn babies and second to minister to men and women who have had an abortion experience.
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
and the Civil Rights of the Unborn

By: Dr. Alveda King,
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ordained minister, author and
artistic producer

In 1939, Margaret Sanger, founder of Planned Parenthood, outlined her nefarious plan to eliminate the Black community:
“The most successful, educational appeal to the Negro is through a religious appeal. We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population, and the minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of their rebellious members.”

Dr. King was among a select group of Negro leaders, hand-picked by Planned Parenthood to promote a seemingly beneficial plan to promote “healthy family planning.” It was really a wolf in sheep’s clothing. Dr. King, a man of love, peace, non-violence and strong Christian faith would be assassinated before the truth of the Planned Parenthood map for genocide would be made public after the passage of Roe vs. Wade. The abortion agenda is in direct conflict with the teachings of Dr. King.

In 1966, Martin Luther King, Jr., a non-violent supporter of natural family planning, was offered the Planned Parenthood Margaret Sanger Award. In the acceptance speech, delivered by Mrs. Coretta Scott King, because Dr. King didn’t attend the ceremony, Mrs. King points to the benefits of family planning among Negro families and the “kinship” between the civil rights movement and Margaret Sanger’s early efforts. This speech did not include the word abortion. There is much speculation regarding who the real author of the speech was. During her lifetime, Mrs. King, unlike her husband, supported abortion and a more liberal view on marriage and human sexuality.

As Dr. King’s niece, I too once accepted the lies of Planned Parenthood until the truth of the violence of abortion was revealed to me. If Planned Parenthood had announced that over 50 million babies would be aborted in the onslaught of their agenda, I would never have aborted a child. Dr. King would never have agreed with the violent violation of the civil rights of the millions of aborted babies.

This conclusion leads me to remind my readers that I too have a dream. It’s in my genes. How can the dream survive if we murder the children?

“I say today that we as Christians must press on, in the conviction that we are “a colony of heaven,” called to obey God rather than man. Small in number, we must remain big in commitment. We must be too God-intoxicated to be ‘astronomically intimidated.” By our effort and example may God use us, as imperfect vessels that we are, to bring an end to such ancient evils as infanticide, abortion, racism and oppression.

- Dr. Alveda C. King, Reflections on MLK’s ‘Letter from a Birmingham Jail’

National Pro-Life Religious Council Needs Your Help

The National Pro-Life Religious Council works within religious denominations to raise pro-life awareness and to prepare news releases and public statements on pro-life issues. Your support will help use continue to be a voice for the unborn, elderly, medically dependent and disabled. Please be as generous as you can. Please send your tax deductible donation to: NPRC, PO Box 61838, Staten Island, NY 10306
Should Political Leaders Let Their Religious Faith Guide their Actions In Public Life?

by Ernest L. Ohlhoff

One would logically expect a man or woman who professes to be a member of a particular religion or faith community to follow the teachings and moral foundation of that religion.

Tragically, in too many cases, the opposite is the norm. Some of the most egregious examples of this behavior are from Catholics who claim to follow their faith and then publicly support policies that are clearly against their church’s teaching.

Catholic teaching is crystal clear. Abortion is always wrong and a grave sin.

In spite of their church’s doctrine, there is a long list of Catholic notables, including Nancy Pelosi, Barbara Mikulski, the late Mario Cuomo, Joe Biden, and Ted Kennedy - to name just a few - who have ignored their church’s teaching.

How can a person proclaim allegiance to a particular faith and then vote for and publicly support policies that violate their church’s fundamental precepts? Tragically, so many have.

Most recently, the Democratic Vice President nominee, Tim Kaine, professes to be a practicing Catholic and yet supports unrestricted abortion on demand.

Kaine festoons his position with time-honored rhetoric honed to perfection over the years by clever Machiavellian spin masters. He is, of course, following the script chapter and verse: he is personally opposed to abortion but won’t support laws that would force his religious beliefs on others.

Perhaps his motivation lies in the fact that the Catholic Church is the largest single religious group in the United States, and attempting to garner support from other Catholics is in itself a reason for proclaiming oneself Catholic.

Recently, at least two Catholic Bishops have taken issue with Catholic politicians who ignore the Church’s teaching.

In a press release on July 22nd, the Diocese of Richmond - where Kaine attends church - quoted Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo, saying in part: “The Catholic Church makes its position very clear as it pertains to the protection of human life, social justice initiatives, and the importance of family life. From the very beginning, Catholic teaching informs us that every human life is sacred from conception until natural death. The right to life is a fundamental, human right for the unborn and any law denying the unborn the right to life is unequivocally unjust.”

In a Facebook post, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin of the Diocese of Providence asked a question: “VP Pick, Tim Kaine, a Catholic?”

He concluded his post: “Senator Kaine has said, “My faith is central to everything I do.” But apparently, and unfortunately, his faith isn’t central to his public, political life.”

This is only the beginning. The more Kaine flaunts his brand of Catholicism the more moral indignation he will receive.

Fifty five million unborn babies have been deliberately killed while Pelosi, Mikulski, Biden, Kaine, et al, try to garner support from the Catholic faithful by weasel-wording their reasons for mocking Catholic moral doctrine.

100 People Attend Retirement Party for Special McDonald’s Employee

Freia David has retired after working for 32 years at McDonald’s in Needham, Massachusetts.

Freia, who is 53, has Down syndrome. She was always early for work and was friendly to both coworkers and customers.

McDonald’s announced the retirement party and expected a few friends and relatives. To their surprise over 100 people packed the restaurant. Freia’s life reflects the intrinsic value of all human life and God’s love for all people.

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Unless Jesus Himself is on the ballot, we are always going to be choosing among imperfect candidates. In this life, everything – including politics – is a messy mixture of good and evil, virtue and vice, truth and falsehood.

At the same time, there are always differences that can be found between the candidates. When we feel like one is just as bad as the other, that must not become an occasion to lose interest in the process but rather an occasion for focusing even more effort on learning the positions of the candidates. These candidates need to focus on distinguishing themselves from their opponent. You can be sure there are things they have said and done to highlight the differences, and so one is always going to be closer to our principles and viewpoints than the other.

In evaluating this, we look also at the differences between the parties that those candidates represent. Each party is an entire universe of philosophies, ideologies, causes, positions, and people. Each party is a whole army of people who are going to surround and advise the candidate, and fill many positions of influence of that candidate is elected.

For instance, in the case of the presidential race, we have to ask which people this president would nominate to serve on the Supreme Court and other federal courts. We have to ask what direction they lean toward on the most fundamental issues of life, religious freedom, marriage and family – and again, in what direction their party leans on those issues. Remember, it is not just that the candidate shapes the office; the office also shapes the candidate, and so does the party and its prevailing positions. Which people would this president, furthermore, appoint as Surgeon General, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Secretary of Health and Human Services, and so many more?

We have to be patient with ourselves and with the process and carefully choose the person and party that are closest to our principles, starting with the most important issues. From a moral viewpoint, our discernment in voting does have a starting point: without life, we do not have anything else. Every right we have depends on the right to life – we need that in order to possess and exercise those other rights. In evaluating our vote, therefore, we have to start by asking who will strive to protect that most fundamental right.

Voting is a moral obligation; participation in the political process is a democratic virtue. Citizenship is not merely a duty and privilege, it is a way to advance the culture of life. Every vote, and every voice, does matter in our nation’s political life.

You do not have to be certain about how every choice or action of your candidate is going to turn out. If there is a probability - or even a possibility - that your candidate will do the right thing and make the right choices, that possibility is better than the certainty of someone who will make the wrong choices. When faced with a certain evil and a possible good, you must choose the possible good.

So, the bottom line is that we should not skip an election. We should vote. Sometimes we may feel that we are doing wrong by voting for either candidate. Some feel tainted by voting - but do not think for a moment that not voting keeps you pure! We have to consider the fact that we influence the election whether we like it or not. Skipping a vote also influences the election because it takes a vote away from the better of the two candidates. Voting is about reducing evil, and the choice to reduce evil is a good.

We have to remember, too, that our vote is not meant to make us feel good. It is meant to influence society in the right direction by putting people in public office who will help make that happen. Neither is voting an opinion poll of our thoughts about the candidates. It is a transfer of power. And it is a gamble. God does not always give us clear, predictable choices. He expects us to use our best judgment.

Plan Now to Attend the National Memorial for the Preborn on Friday January 27 Before the 2017 March for Life

Memorial Program Includes:
- Catholic Mass - 7:30 AM with Fr. Frank Pavone
- Ecumenical service with numerous pastors and religious leaders - 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM
- Location - Historic DAR Constitution Hall

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To register and for more information about the Memorial please go to www.nationalprayerservice.com or contact Christa@NPRCouncil.org and to let us know that you are coming.

So, do not sit out the election. Go and vote!

Fr. Frank Pavone
National Director, Priests for Life
President, National Pro-life Religious Council

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