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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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Pro-Lifers Commend President Trump for Selecting Neil Gorsuch to Fill Scalia's Seat on Supreme Court

January 31 - President Donald Trump nominated Judge Neil Gorsuch, from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit in Denver, to fill the vacancy created by the untimely death of Judge Antonin Scalia.



Justice Neil Gorsuch and President Trump

National Right to Life heralded the announcement in a press release. "All too often, our efforts to protect unborn children and other vulnerable humans have been overridden by judges who believe they have a right to impose their own policy preferences," said Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life. "We are heartened that Judge Gorsuch appears to share Justice Scalia's view that federal judges are constrained to enforce the text and original intent of constitutional provisions, and on all other matters should defer to democratically elected lawmakers."

In a 2008 article in *National Review*,

Judge Gorsuch wrote, "[R]ather than use the judiciary for extraordinary cases ... American liberals have become addicted to the courtroom, relying on judges and lawyers rather than elected leaders and the ballot box, as the primary means of effecting their social agenda..."

Gorsuch's 2006 book, *The Future of Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia*, argued against the legalization of assisted suicide and defended the idea that "human life is fundamentally and inherently valuable, and that the intentional taking of human life by private persons is always wrong."

As a judge Judge Gorsuch supported religious liberty by playing an important role siding with Hobby Lobby and Little Sisters of the Poor against the Obama administration's Affordable Care Act.

Action Alert Please Act Now

The US Senate is expected to be faced with a major pro-life battle over the confirmation of Judge Neil Gorsuch to the Supreme Court.

Pro-abortion activists are preparing an all out assault to block the confirmation. As they have done in the past they will use every dirty trick imaginable to twist Gorsuch's words, malign his character and destroy his reputation.

The attack against Judge Gorsuch will be lead by powerful pro-abortion Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY) and his band of

pro-abortion Senate Democrats.

The media will join the effort to prevent confirmation by presenting biased and partial coverage to spread misinformation.

It appears that Schumer and his allies will attempt to launch a filibuster to obstruct Gorsuch's nomination. Whether that obstruction succeeds will depend on how many Democratic senators break ranks -- and on whether pro-life Republican senators take every step necessary to ensure that Judge Gorsuch is confirmed.

Please email or call your Senators Today
It's fast, it's easy and it's very important
To make a phone call go to - - <https://tinyurl.com/GorsuchNow>
To send an email go to - - <https://tinyurl.com/GorsuchAlert>

NPRC President Preaches at Funeral of Norma McCorvey, “Jane Roe” of Roe vs. Wade

by Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life



Norma McCorvey

On February 18, 2017, Norma McCorvey, who was the plaintiff “Jane Roe” in the 1973 Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade, which legalized abortion, passed away at the age of 69. Norma had become a good friend of mine since 1995, when she accepted the gift of faith and baptism and became 100% pro-life. I was privileged to be one of her spiritual counselors and in 1998 received her into

the Catholic Church. I officiated at her funeral service.

On that occasion, I reminded the worshippers that Norma never appeared in court and never had an abortion. When she heard about the outcome of the Roe

case, she was not elated, but devastated. Even when she was the ‘poster girl’ for legal abortion, she confided to the pro-abortion leaders that she thought abortion was wrong, and even while working in an abortion clinic, she would counsel women against it. She jumped off the poster, because she never really fit on it to begin with.

When I first interviewed her after she became a Christian, I started by saying, “So you are the Jane Roe of Roe vs. Wade,” and she replied, “No, I used to be Jane Roe, but now am Roe no more. I am a new creation in Christ.” It was that faith in Christ, the only Savior, that enabled Norma, for the rest of her life, to rise beyond the pain and guilt of having been a part of unleashing the abortion holocaust on America.

Find out more about her remarkable journey of repentance at www.priestsforlife.org/Norma.

Princeton Biophysicist Peter Singer Thinks Intellectually Disabled Less Valuable than Animals



Peter Singer

Excerpts taken from story by Wesley J. Smith which appeared in National Right to Life News Today on February 27, 2017

In his apologetics for infanticide, Princeton bioethicist Peter Singer has used a baby with Down syndrome as an example of a killable infant based on utilitarian measurements. (He actually supports infanticide because babies—whether disabled

or not—are, in his view, not “persons.”)

To Singer, moral value (primarily) comes from intellectual capacities, and that means that developmentally and cognitively disabled human beings (also, the unborn and infants) have less value than other human beings, and indeed, a lower worth than some animals.

Were society to ever adopt Singer’s bigoted anti-human exceptionalism views, it would mark the end

of universal human rights, opening the door to tyrannical pogroms against the most weak and vulnerable—you know, the kind of people that the Singers of the world deem resource wasters.

It would also break the spine of unconditional love, as our children would have to earn their place by possessing requisite capacities. . .

And never mind the real capacities of many people with Down (syndrome), which Singer mischaracterizes, or their extraordinary loving natures—which I have yet to see Singer opine much about. To Singer, intellect trumps all.

That’s bigotry any way you look at it, no different than racism, except that his victims are less able to defend themselves.

I have always found it odd that Singer faces little of the opprobrium society metes out to other bigots. Indeed, he was brought to Princeton from Australia and given one of the world’s most prestigious chairs in bioethics—despite not having an academic Ph.D.—precisely because of these attitudes . . .

Presbyterians Pro-Life Boldly Witnessing for Life



Pastors at Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church, (EPC) are boldly preaching about the God-endowed value of human life. According to the church website both the Classic and Contemporary services are focused on “Bible based teaching that connects with everyday life.” The sermons focus on the value of human life in a gospel centered way that will encourage you personally and invigorate you for life ministry in your own congregation. For more information go to www.ppl.org

Memorial for the Preborn - Tremendous Success



Many hundreds of pro-lifers from across the nation attended NPRC's **National Memorial for the Preborn and Their Mothers and Fathers**. This annual event was held on the morning of the March for Life in historic Constitution Hall in Washington.

The Memorial offered scripture, music, spiritual hymns, and inspirational talks. Featured speakers, musicians, and singers included; Pam Tebow, Ryan Bomberger, Tony Melendez, and Rev. Frank Pavone.

Plan to attend the next Memorial on January 19, 2018. Buses are welcome. Admission is FREE. Begin your next year's March with prayer, and song in the company of the most wonderful pro-lifers from across America.

For more information go to:
www.nationalprayerservice.com

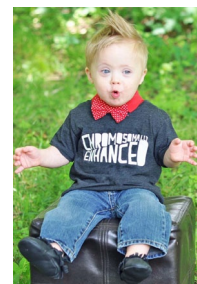
World Down Syndrome Day - March 21 Celebrating Children with Down Syndrome



Unborn children with Down Syndrome are being aborted at an alarming rate. "Modern" Biophysicists like Princeton's Peter Singer believes that intellectually inferior humans should be killed.

To counter the culture of death promoted by these so called medical experts, new pro-life groups are springing up to promote respect and protection for those with developmental and physical issues.

One such group established World Down Syndrome Day to show the world that Down Syndrome people can lead productive, love filled, meaningful lives.



Each year for WSD, Down Syndrome International presents a Global Video Event, which consists of a series of video clips based on a theme highlighting the need for inclusion in society, featuring people with Down syndrome. The video clips are sent to us by groups and organizations from many countries around the world. We edit them together and release them before 21 March.

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Teen Vogue Promoting Abortion to Teens

Teen Vogue and other magazines targeting teenage girls are publishing articles that promote abortion or negatively present pro-life efforts.

In a recent article in “What to Get a Friend Post-Abortion,” which suggested that teens should give presents to their friends after having an abortion. Other suggestions included signing up as an abortion clinic escort.

Through March 2017, according to an article in *NRL News Today*, *Teen Vogue* has already promoted abortion to teens more than 60 times.

Articles include:

- *NARAL Pro-Choice America President Ilyse Hogue Shares Her Abortion Story*
- *What This Reproductive Rights Activist Realized When She Had an Abortion Herself*
- *What My Abortion Made Me Realize About Reproductive Justice*
- *Why I Think It's Important to Talk About My Abortion As Much As Possible*

Pro-Life Student Club Wins Battle With Administration



Carmel, Indiana - Carmel High School students won a battle with the school's administration over a pro-life poster which was removed after one student complained that it was “offensive.”

The poster display contained 300 tiny hand painted hearts. Each heart represents 10 babies commemorating the 3,000 unborn children killed each day by abortion.

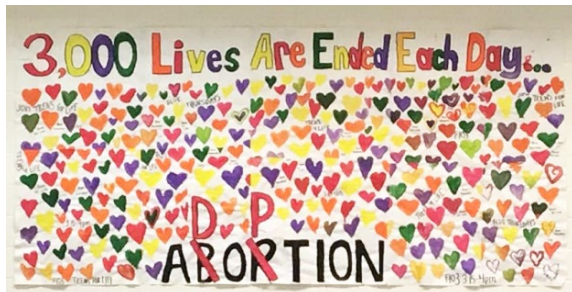
When the administration was challenged for taking down the poster, the principal and assistant principal said that club signs are not permitted to “interfere with what folks are thinking or feeling comfortable with” despite the fact that signs from other organizations promoting controversial ideologies were allowed.

The school personnel had also demanded the Carmel Teens for Life student members sign an agreement prohibiting club members from using the word “abortion” in any club communications, verbal or written, including on Facebook, school posters and other official correspondence.

Liberty Council, a religious and pro-life legal defense law group, challenged the school administration and the pro-life students won.

The students remade their poster and it was displayed for 10 days.

Exerpts taken from story in *Life News*



Taskforce of United Methodist On Abortion and Sexuality (TUMAS) Attend March For Life In Washington on Jan. 27



Pastor Paul Stallsworth

Continuing a long tradition in support of innocent human life, United Methodist pro-life leaders from across the country joined with others of various faith traditions in participating in a public witness at the annual March for Life.

Pastor Paul Stallsworth recently penned his reflection in the TUMAS' newsletter *Lifewatch*.

For the first time, Rev. Paul Crikelair and I attended the Opening Mass of the National Prayer Vigil for Life. It took place at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception at

The Catholic University of America. The Basilica provided a beautiful sanctuary. The worship service was stately and majestic. . .

The following Morning TUMAS/Lifewatch held their annual pro-life service.

The Lifewatch Service of Worship was well attended. United Methodists from across the church and nation were present. Included among them was Dr. Susan Henry-Crowe, General Secretary of the General Board of Church and Society, and Ms. Susan Burton, Director of Women's and Children's Advocacy of the same general board. We were thankful for their presence. Dr. Stephen Rankin preached a powerful sermon to bolster the hope of Christian witnesses for life...

