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Thoughts from the Executive Director

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*“If you say, “But
we knew nothing*

*about this,” does not he who weighs the
heart perceive it? Does not he who guards
your life know it? Will he not repay
everyone according to what they have
done?”*

--Proverbs 24:12

*“Speak up for those who cannot speak for
themselves, for the rights of all who are
destitute. Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the poor and needy.”*

--Proverbs 31:8-9

Each of us is called to respect human life as each life is precious and made in the image of God. The Book of Proverbs counsels us to be cognizant of the attacks on those vulnerable lives and to defend the dignity of each human life.

In the month of November we celebrate the great holiday of Thanksgiving, a day on which we remember, and are grateful for, the many blessings we have. And the greatest blessing we have is our life.

In December we celebrate Christmas, and the season of joy as we remember the birth of Jesus, as the Word became flesh and gives us hope, even in the midst of a pandemic that has changed so many of our daily routines.

Each of us has been given different gifts. There are various ways we can use our gifts. These gifts of time,

talents and treasure can be used to help those lives most vulnerable, the voiceless, the unborn child, the mothers and fathers in a crisis pregnancy, the parents of newborns, and those with special needs.

As teachers, it is natural for each of us to be compassionate, to assist those who need us most. This is a character trait so vital in our classrooms, our families and our communities.

As written in Proverbs, we must not become complacent. We must defend the dignity of vulnerable human lives.

In this issue, read about how pregnancy help centers are helping young parents and their children. There are lesson ideas for all ages with a focus on persons with disabilities, particularly Down's Syndrome. Read about the pro-life women newly elected to Congress. As we enter the new year, consider joining a local Walk for Life or a virtual Walk for Life. Many are available.

Continue to pray. I thank you for your gifts you have shared with others less fortunate. Wishing you a blessed Christmas season and a joyful, faith-filled new year. Blessings always.

Choose Life

Pro-Life Pregnancy Help Centers Provide Essential Services

*“Under His wings, you will find refuge.”
–Psalms 91:4*

*“The Good News is that God still loves the world through each one of you. You are God’s good news. You are God’s love in action.”
--Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

As teachers we know the immense power that emotional support and encouragement can provide to our struggling students. Knowing that someone cares and is available to help is often the difference between success and failure in school.

It should come as no surprise that women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant are often anxious, scared and uncertain of their options and the support that is available to her and her unborn child. Each of us can assist these mothers in a variety of ways, even if we do not even know them personally.

An effective way to be an instrument of assistance is to support our local pro-life pregnancy help centers in the community where we live. We can be pro-active in knowing where the local pro-life pregnancy help centers are and the services they provide. With this knowledge, we can share that information with those who need the support at a critical time when pressure from friends, family and society advise the pregnant mother of her “easiest” option, namely abortion.

What Information is Important?

1. Name of Pregnancy Help Center
2. Address
3. Phone Number
4. Services Provided

Not all pro-life pregnancy help centers provide the same services. It would be wise to call your local pregnancy help center to find out what services are provided. You might be surprised at the range of supportive services provided. For a mother (and father) in a crisis pregnancy it is important to have accurate and reliable information.

Caring Network (Illinois) for example has as their mission statement:

“To work to prevent unplanned pregnancies, and to provide emotional support, spiritual counsel, and practical help to anyone dealing with the effects of an unplanned pregnancy.”

Services at your local pregnancy help center can include some or all of the following:

- Pregnancy tests
- Ultrasounds
- Pregnancy Options Counseling
- Material Goods (diapers, clothes, etc.)
- Community Resources Liaising (referrals to maternity homes, rent assistance, etc.)
- Post-Abortion Recovery

Typically these services are confidential and are offered at no charge.

Other Ways You Can Help

1. If you know a local Knights of Columbus group, ask them if they could fundraise to donate an ultrasound machine
2. Have a yard sale and donate the proceeds to your local pro-life pregnancy help center.
3. Ask the person in charge if there is anything you could help with. (volunteer time, baby supplies or financial assistance)
4. Pray. Prayer, of course, is always powerful, particularly for those mothers and unborn children who have little family support.



Yard sale money helps local pregnancy center.

Which COVID-19 Vaccines are Ethical?



As COVID-19 vaccines are distributed, it is important to know which, if any, are from human fetal tissue cells, originally derived from abortions.

According to the *Lozier Institute*, a pro-life organization in the United States, neither the Pfizer nor the Moderna vaccines involved the use of human fetal tissue from abortion.

Another COVID-19 vaccine, however, developed by *AstraZeneca*, has been produced using human fetal cells that were derived from abortions.

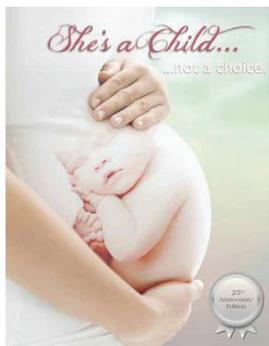
Be Careful of Who You Support

All of you have generous hearts. Sometimes, we might receive a solicitation in the mail, asking for financial support. It is important that each of us directs our support to organizations that reflect our personal, ethical, and moral beliefs.

Recently, I received a mailing from a group called *Human Rights Watch* which was fundraising for some of the activities they support. I thought, “That sounds like a worthy cause, **human rights** after all.” I decided to do a quick Internet search, “Does Human Rights Watch support abortions?”

This is what I discovered: *Human Rights Watch* believes that “**access to safe abortion services is first and foremost a human right.**” Apparently *Human Rights Watch* selectively decides which humans have rights, and the human in the womb doesn’t qualify.

Be a Voice for the Voiceless



Lesson Plans for Educators: Disability Awareness

In 2017, CBS News reported that the nation of Iceland “was on pace to virtually eliminate Down syndrome through abortion”. There was a lot of backlash from a wide-ranging group of disability and human rights advocates, including former vice-presidential candidate Sarah Palin who has a Down syndrome child and Patricia Heaton (actress from “Everybody Loves Raymond”) who stated that “Iceland wasn’t eliminating Down syndrome—they are just killing everyone who has it.”

In a culture where one of the most dangerous places to be is inside the womb, there are daily opportunities in our classrooms where we can advocate for the dignity of all human lives.

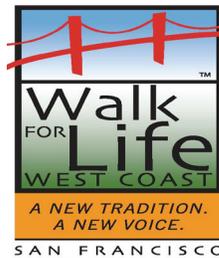
For starters, consider watching the short video, *Girl Tells the World That Down Syndrome Is 'Not Scary'*. (Find it on www.youtube.com a short video of Sofia Sanchez, a young girl with Down syndrome.

The website www.getintoitspecialolympics.org has lesson plans for all grade levels from kindergarten through 12th grade to motivate students to be leaders to accept, respect and advocate for persons with disabilities.

Upcoming Outreach Events: 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions, various pro-life events are being modified. Please see below for events you might consider “attending virtually” or, in some cases, in person.

March for Life, Washington, D.C. January 29, 2021
Walk for Life, West Coast, San Francisco, Jan. 23rd
One Life LA, virtual event, www.onelifela.org, Jan 23rd
Made in His Image, Feb. 27th, 2021, Canton, Ohio



Pro-Life Victories for Women in Congress!

U.S. Senate

Rep. Cynthia Lummis (R-WY) won election

Sens. Joni Ernst (R-IA), Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV), and Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS) won re-election

Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R-GA) advances to a runoff to take place January 5, 2021

U.S. House:

All 11 pro-life women incumbents won re-election

17 new pro-life women elected to the House and 2 more, Marianne Miller-Meeks (Iowa) and Claudia Tenney (NY), are in races with ballot recounts.



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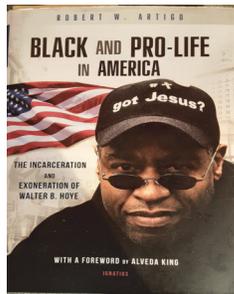
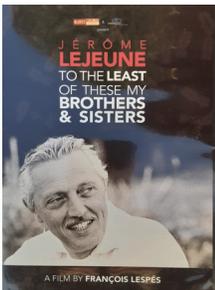
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RECOMMENDED VIDEO/FILM

“Jerome Lejeune: To the Least of These My Brothers & Sisters”. Dr. Jerome Lejeune gained international fame through his discovery of the cause of Down’s Syndrome in 1958. Later, he realized that his discovery had opened the door to the abortion of children with genetic anomalies, and turned medicine against patients. He spent the rest of his life defending the dignity of all human life from the moment of conception to natural death.



RECOMMENDED BOOK

“Black and Pro-Life in America written by Robert Artigo. This book tells the true story of Walter B. Hoye II and his appeal to women entering a for-profit abortion facility in Oakland, California to choose life for their babies. Hoye’s success for women choosing life for

their babies, leads Oakland to create a “bubble” law aimed at silencing the pro-life voices for the voiceless. Artigo chronicles the pro-life conviction of Hoye, a black minister, his arrest, incarceration and eventually his exoneration. If you are able to listen to the speakers at this year’s *West Coast Walk for Life* virtual walk, you might hear Reverend Hoye speak. He has been a regular participant and speaker at the *West Coast Walk for Life*. In past years he has stopped by and complimented our *Teachers Saving Children* exhibit table on the San Francisco plaza.

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