

The Rockland County Catholic Coalition

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What a beautiful pro-life billboard was seen in Florida: "My heart is beating 18 days after conception."



An eagle embryo and a human embryo. Which is protected?

Endangered Species?

Federal laws protect the bald eagle and the eggs and nest of the bald eagle. The law recognizes that the embryonic eagle, developing inside the egg of an adult eagle, is the same wonderful bird that we call our national symbol. This is an accepted scientific fact when it comes to the eagle, but there is a mental disconnect when this same scientific fact is applied to a developing unborn baby in the womb. At one time we were all embryonic humans. In a civilized society it is immoral for the powerful to exploit and destroy the weak, developing human being for any reason. The Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act imposes not only significant monetary fines but jail time as well. Ironically, the same Federal government that protects the eagle and its eggs uses our tax dollars to provide free abortions of embryonic humans.

"God Bless America"

In early 1940, Kate Smith, the biggest star on the radio, asked Irving Berlin if he could give her a song to reignite the spirit of American patriotism and faith. He said he had a song written in 1917, but never used, and said she could have it.

Kate Smith played this on the piano and realized how good it was. She called Mr. Berlin and they agreed that any money made off the song would be donated to the Boy Scouts of America. Thanks to Kate Smith and Irving Berlin, the scouts have received millions of dollars in royalties, and to this day every American is asking God's blessing on our country.

The Smithsonian

An objection led by Bill Donohue to art and video of ants crawling over Jesus on the cross was removed by his efforts. This is in spite of liberal Catholics and Catholics for Choice who defended that and other contributions of transvestitism, AIDS-ravaged corpses and full frontal nudity. Do you want your tax dollars supporting these kinds of exhibits? Contact your legislators and voice your objections.

Remember ACORN?

It is now rebranded and splintered into smaller entities. According to a recent report by the Inspector General for HUD, one ACORN "housing" group cannot account for how it spent millions of federal dollars. The IG recommended that HUD suspend all grants to the organization, but only temporarily.

Lila Rose

Thank goodness for Lila Rose, a student activist who dedicated herself to building a culture of life and ending abortion (started Live Action). She has led numerous undercover stings exposing corruption and illegal activities within Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood affiliates are now the subject of ongoing investigations in Indiana and Alabama, and the Tennessee legislature recently voted to end up to \$1.1 million in taxpayer subsidies to the abortion providers. Thanks to stings by Lila Rose, there is fodder for ending government subsidies of Planned Parenthood, which receives upward of \$350 million of our tax dollars from the Federal government.

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The influence of both the media and Hollywood has been destructive of both family and religion. Removing the Judeo-Christian principles not only destroys the culture, but the existence of God. Seems the father is no longer important in the family! Are we trying to create the Nanny Sate?

Wonderful news from the 40 Days for Life site in Spring Valley!

Tracey was standing saying the rosary near the Planned Parenthood office when she was approached by a woman named Mary. Mary told Tracey that she had made up her mind to abort her baby. She was on her way to Planned Parenthood when she saw Tracey's sign: "Abortion Kills Babies" Mary knew this was her sign from God that she had been praying for. She would not have the abortion.

Ouo Vadis America

Since the time of George Washington, the pillars of our society have been religion and morality. But alas, we have gone astray. Many have turned away from God. Pope Pius XII once said, "The greatest sin of our generation is that it has lost all sense of sin."

Bill Donohue in the "Catalyst" writes, "There is plenty of evidence showing how civil libertarians, multiculturalists, and organized atheists have sought to drive religious expression from the public square."

In today's society, morality is a thing of the past. We are dominated by secularism, materialism, money, power, contempt for human life, and denial of faith. In Mary Calls to Holiness, Father Richard Foley, SJ, writes about the following message from Our Lady, "Your country is in great turmoil. Great is the need for prayer to combat the forces of evil which permeate every area of your daily lives. Satan has never been more active releasing his demons all over to claim souls for himself."

What can we do? Mother Theresa says, "What will convert America and save the world?" My answer is prayer and Holy Hours before the Blessed Sacrament. The Rosary is known to be a truly powerful weapon against the evils of Satan. Pope John Paul prayed, "May Our Lady cross the continent bringing life, sweetness, and hope."

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In higher education across the country, illegals are given grants. Not only is this offensive, it is illegal and financially burdensome to the tax payers. At present, Maryland Montgomery College is facing a new lawsuit.

Judicial Watch, a current news publication, brings many of these issues to the forefront. For info, go to www.judicialwatch.org

Catholic Hospitals

In Gen. 3:15, God told Adam and Eve, "I will put enmity between you and the woman (Mary), between her seed (Christians), and your seed (evildoers). The battle waged between right and wrong, good and evil, began at that moment. The worst aspect of the battle is the one regarding legal abortion. Christians must engage in this battle in a courageous and compassionate way.

Suggestions abound on how to legally stop abortion. The solution involves Catholic hospitals and medical facilities. Close the departments of those facilities that offer abortion, the abortion pill, genetic counseling where abortion could be the "answer", or any kind of contraceptive device or drug. A Catholic hospital that won't comply should have its Gyn. Dept, Ob. Dept, and maternity ward closed. This includes Catholic hospitals or clinics that perform vasectomies and tubal ligations.

In the US, there are 597 Catholic hospitals. Forty-five percent were willing to dispense the "morning after pill," which causes chemical abortions (Mindszenty Report, Mar., 2011, Vol. LIII-No. 3). If each diocese, in compliance with its Bishop and Pope Benedict XVI, halted the above plus any other form of harming the unborn baby or its mother, the Catholic Church could be on the forefront of ending legal abortion.

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The Declaration of Independence and our Founding Fathers did not separate God from the states, but acknowledged Him as a source of our rights.

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Ghandi said, "Be the change you wish to see in the world.

What Values Are Our "Catholic Universities" Teaching?

- Fr. McBrien, theology teacher from Notre Dame, claimed Phoenix Bishop Thomas Olmstead was wrong when he declared a hospital was no longer Catholic because it performed a direct abortion. Sr. Mary Margaret McBride incurred automatic excommunication for approving the abortion.
- Catholic Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia declined to renew the contract with an adjunct professor. This was a professor of theology who was an openly homosexual priest of the faux Catholic "Old Catholic Apostolic Church of America," whose priests are permitted to be male or female, gay or straight, celibate or married. Question: How was someone like this hired in the first place to teach theology?
- Loyola University had a meeting March 1st about workers, social projects, and jobs. The main speakers were to be from the Socialist Equality Party, which calls their plan the fight for socialism. Loyola calls it social justice. We call it the fight for kids in college (see www.socialistparty.com).
- 13 Catholic Colleges, 9 of them Jesuit, hosted productions of The Vagina Monologues, which has become an annual display of defiance against traditional marriage and sexual morality (Loyola and Fordham were 2 of them). To know college happenings: www.cardinalnewmansociety.org.

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Health Rationing

President Obama bypassed the US Senate and recess appointed "Death Panel Donald" Berwick to serve as his Medicare/Medicaid Czar. Health rationing is on the way. For example, Provenge, the first ever treatment for prostate cancer was approved by the Food and Drug Administration. It costs \$93,000 to administer the three necessary treatments. Well, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services made a decision to undertake a one year review of the treatment to see if it is "reasonable and necessary" and should therefore be reimbursed.

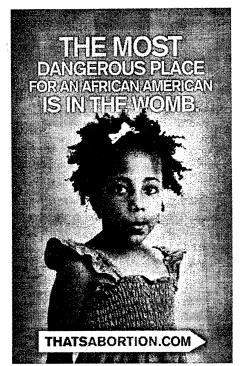
AARP Surprise

Medicare will be ending Medicare Advantage and AARP will be offering Medigap. An 18 month congressional probe found that AARP stands to make \$55 to \$166 million in one year alone. If you need secondary health insurance, please consider alternatives to AARP Medigap. Interesting fact: AARP, a leftist Obama ally, spent millions on ads supporting Obamacare. They received a waiver from Obamacare!

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A Catholic Education

Immigrants worldwide brought the The Catholic faith to America. School's mission was to ensure Christ -centered excellence and to teach fidelity to God. It was once the largest establishment in the nation where one came to honor God. We are all aware of the current expense in Catholic education that guides the decision of bishops to close schools and churches. It is urgent that an enhanced, unified course of religious education be developed to instruct our children in their faith. It is a sad, but true fact that many Catholics do not know the basics of their faith!



New York City Billboard

A recent incident in New York City, which involved an anti-abortion message, brought out the pro-abortion faction to the point where an offending billboard was removed to prevent any further threats and harassment to restaurant employees. The ground floor restaurant in the SOHO area of Manhattan, was situated beneath the sign which was located at the top of the building.

While African-American females are using a disproportionate rate of abortion facilities, we believe the sign did not go far enough and direct its message to all potential mothers and fathers. However, we can be assured that the heavy hand of Planned Parenthood was behind the scenes to have the billboard removed.

Let us hope that with a pro-life House seated in Washington, we can see the de-funding of all abortion programs and facilities.

Please write or email your representatives with your opinion on the funding of abortion. Also, encourage our spiritual leaders to be more verbal in explaining our moral responsibilities. A copy of the billboard is above.

World's Christians in Grave Danger

Evangelist Franklin Graham warns that the Muslim Brotherhood, with the complicity of the Obama administration, has permeated the US gov't at the highest levels, influencing American policy and leaving the world's Christians in danger.

In a discussion with Newsmax, Graham said the Brotherhood is strong in our country. We have brought in Muslims to advise our military and State Dept. on how to make policy toward Muslim countries. According to Wikipedia: "The Holy Land Foundation trial has led to the release as evidence of several documents on the Muslim Brotherhood. One of these documents, dated in 1991, explains that the goal of the Muslim Brotherhood in the U.S. is "settlement", defined by the author as a form of jihad aimed at destroying Western civilization from within and allowing for the victory of Islam over other religions. In another one of these documents, "Ikhwan in America", the author alleges that the activities of the Muslim Brotherhood in the US include going to camps to do weapons training (referred to as Special work by the Muslim Brotherhood), as well as engaging in counter-espionage against US government agencies such as the FBI and CIA." The same Muslim Brotherhood is inciting much of the rebellion that is deteriorating order in the Middle East, forcing millions of Christians to flee for their lives. Under Egypt's Mubarak and Jordan's Hussein, Christians were protected. If the Brotherhood comes to power I fear for the Church.

Franklin Graham is the son of evangelist Dr. Billy Graham and the founder of The Samaritan's Purse, an international charity. Let's hope the reader is influenced by Mr. Graham. Those in the Tea Party have witnessed an Arab Christian giving us the same facts.

National Day of Prayer

A federal judge has ruled in favor of an atheist organization's claim that our National Day of Prayer is unconstitutional. The appeal is being heard by the 7th Circuit. Please pray and support Jay Sekulow in his fight against this attack on our Religious heritage (search for him on your computer at American Center for Law and Justice.)

Thoughts to Ponder

Parents be aware of the everaggressive programs of Planned Parenthood as they push their perverse agenda on our young. They are making a concentrated effort to destroy the influence of the parents, especially in the area of "family values". Their brazen campaign seeks to destroy innocent children by excluding parents, children's first and best protectors and teachers, and focusing their efforts on pushing sex ed programs into the schools.

PP held a deceptively named "Family Life Education" conference in NJ where more than half of the attendees were educators. The cost of the conference was \$250 and was paid for by school districts. BUT did any parents know their tax dollars were going to fund a program that some described as shocking and perverse in content? According to an infiltrator, the 24 page program (available at www.sexconference.com) was mild compared to the content that was presented inside the conference.

The program has been accused of being a pedophile's dream, aiming to indoctrinate children into a culture of sick sex via the public school system. Bisexuality, ads for vulgar sexual products and an "adult products" vendor were all part of this conference. The 29 interactive lessons target our young, ages 10-17. One workshop focused on sexual pleasure as a right for all ages and how to integrate this message about pleasure into sex ed programs.

There were presentations targeting special education youngsters, disabled students and those living in poverty.

Parents...know that if PP's programs succeed, your children may be brainwashed about sex and how just about everything is "normal." You know your values and you have the right and responsibility to make sure that your children's innocence is not being destroyed by a PP program that is usurping your rights.

Questions to ask your school district reps: Did anyone from our district attend a PP conference? Who and why? Who authorized it and who paid for it? If any educator attended a PP conference, is that person implementing the conference's recommendations? Have PP presenters been invited to our school? What's being done to prevent this? If you don't get satisfactory answers, file a public record request to see all related documents. See www.nfoic.org/foi-center and click on "State FOI Laws".

Parents — get a copy of Parent Power! It is available at www.stopp.org (click on "Reference Materials") or from www.prolifegear.org

ALERT: Available yearly, the NYS Catholic Conference meets with the NYS Senate and Assembly members in Albany as a voice for Catholic issues. The program begins with registration and mass offered by Archbishop Timothy Dolan and other bishops. After a free box lunch, workshops are offered in how to start a parish policy group, suggestions on visiting local lawmakers, how to use the Catholic Advocacy Network to access information important to your parish, and town hall meetings for high school-aged youth to meet with bishops and lawmakers. It's usually held in February or March. Watch for it in your parish bulletin. Free bus service is provided from Rockland County.

Parents — Become Proactive

Invite speakers to your community events that respect parents' and children's moral values. Encourage your religious leaders to speak out more forcibly on parents' rights and responsibilities in overseeing what their children are being taught in school. Support groups that reflect your values. Complain, in writing, when media (tv, radio, newspapers, magazines, etc.) insult your values and push an agenda you feel is harmful to you and your family. Write to sponsors of programs that demean your faith or values. [It seems Christians are a very safe group to attack.] Write to your elected officials and let them know you do not want your tax dollars supporting PP and its repulsive programs. Above all, let us pray for our children, our leaders, our country and the world.

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Save These Phone Numbers

Birthright: (845) 623-9098; confidential assistance for those in crisis pregnancies. HOTLINE: (800) 550-4900

Rachel Ministry: (845) 429-2077 or (845) 947-2200; confidential ministry for those scarred by abortion, miscarriage, or stillbirth.

Good Counsel Homes: (201) 795-0637 or (201) 795-0809; homes for unwed mothers and their babies.

Sisters of Life, NYC: (212) 371-1000; assistance for women in crisis pregnancies.

Courage; (212) 268-1010; archdiocesan organization for homosexuals and lesbians.



Thank you Archbishop Dolan for your wonderful interview on 60 Minutes.