



# PRO-LIFE ACTION NEWS

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Stopping Abortion, One Life at a Time . . .  
Today and Tomorrow

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## Pro-Life Activists Sue Minneapolis for Violating Rights

On April 5, the Thomas More Society filed a federal lawsuit against the City of Minneapolis on behalf of Pro-Life Action Ministries and several staff members, seeking declaratory and injunctive relief from the violation of free speech, the right of expressive association, and the free exercise of religion, all rights protected under the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The complaint against the new city ordinance was submitted to the U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota, challenging Chapter 405 of the Minneapolis City Code. Plaintiffs Thomas Wilkin, Lucy Maloney and Debra Braun are weekly sidewalk counselors at the Uptown Planned Parenthood (PP) in Minneapolis where the ordinance currently applies.

The Minneapolis City Council unanimously passed this unconstitutional ordinance last November after five months of working with Planned Parenthood. They claimed it was for traffic safety (despite providing no evidence of this), but according to attorney Erick Kaardal of the Thomas More Society, “the Minneapolis ordinance . . . was a deliberate attempt to stifle Pro-Life Action Ministries' sidewalk outreach outside of Planned Parenthood.”

Although we have not stopped sidewalk counseling there when abortions are being committed (Mondays and Thursdays), the ordinance has interfered with our outreach by creating content-based “exclusion zones” for the purpose of shutting down pro-life speech outside of abortion facilities.

In fact, the ordinance also restricts the constitutional right of PP clients to associate with us and to access our offer of life-affirming choices. For example, shortly after the ordinance went into effect, a woman driving into the PP facility stopped in the driveway, rolled down her window and asked the Pro-Life

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Sidewalk counselor and plaintiff Lucy Maloney watches for cars entering and exiting the Uptown Planned Parenthood (PP) in Minneapolis on March 2. We are restricted to giving literature to those in cars only while standing in the street because a new city ordinance excludes us from the driveway area of the public sidewalk.

## 2900 Participate in Good Friday Vigil



*Eleanor Marie Photography*

In our second largest turnout ever, about 2900 pro-lifers attended our Good Friday Vigil April 7 outside Planned Parenthood (PP) in St. Paul which kills more than 7000 unborn children every year. This was our 40th Annual Good Friday All-Day Solemn Vigil. Fifteen pastors throughout the day (from various denominations) gave reflections on particular aspects of our Lord's passion and death, and then led the crowd in prayer. Hymns were sung as people took turns carrying a life-size cross. Thank you to all the volunteers who made the day run so smoothly! Only four pro-abortion protestors came and they stayed away from our vigil area. A handful of antagonistic Christians came out to engage the pro-abortion protestors and PP escorts, and they did so with speakers in front of PP but away from our vigil site.

# From the CEO, Brian Gibson . . .

## Abortion Facilities Opening in Rural Minnesota?

My wife is from southwestern Minnesota where many of her extended family live. This internet ad (right), by the infamous third-trimester abortionist LeRoy Carhart, was very unsettling to see. The only fortunate part is that the ad is for Carhart’s abortion facility in Bellevue, Neb. and not a new location in Minnesota...yet.

I first was made aware of this ad as the Minnesota Legislature passed or introduce abortion bill after abortion bill in this current legislative session. The first passed into law was the “PRO Act” which included a clause that would prohibit any town from passing ordinances that would prohibit an abortion facility from setting up shop in their community. In the final stages of passing (as of this writing) is a bill that turns Minnesota into a safe-haven for abortionists, shielding them from prosecution in their own states and inviting them to open up shop in Minnesota.

There already has been an invasion into rural Minnesota by the Red River Women’s Clinic last summer as it moved into Moorhead from Fargo, N.D. During the pandemic in 2020, when the Sioux Falls, S.D. Planned Parenthood (PP) wasn’t aborting babies, we thwarted an attempt by PP to open up shop in Luverne, Minn. At that time PP reopened an abortion facility in Sioux City, Iowa which has been their mainstay for killing defenseless children from South Dakota and southwestern Minnesota. With the possibility of Iowa outlawing most abortions, southwestern Minnesota is back in the crosshairs of PP.

Despite the new Minnesota law keeping cities and towns from passing ordinances to keep abortion facilities from opening up, much can still be done to

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**Abortion Clinic Marshall Minnesota**

CARE is the preferred abortion clinic near Marshall, MN. Our team has provided care with kindness, courtesy, justice, love, & respect for over 45 years. Founded by LeRoy and Mary Lou Carhart, part of our mission is to provide comprehensive abortion care that recognizes the complexities of people's lives and experiences in a compassionate, comfortable and personal environment. The team at our abortion clinic near Marshall, Minnesota recognizes the needs of each client as an individual while attempting to keep costs as affordable as possible. Every member of our team has pledged to make your experience with us one we would want for ourselves, friends, and family members. Our abortion clinic near Marshall, MN provides and specializes in 2nd & 3rd trimester abortion care. We are one of the nation's only abortion clinics that provide abortion care throughout pregnancy, meaning 1st, 2nd, and 3rd trimester abortion care. We actively recognize the need for the care we provide and are proud to serve our patients with comprehensive abortion care. To learn more, call our abortion clinic near Marshall, MN at (402)291-4797 and one of our team members will get back to you shortly.

**Abortion Services We Provide At Our Abortion Clinic Near Marshall Minnesota**

- The Abortion Pill
- First Trimester
- Second Trimester
- Third Trimester

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*To keep up with the MANY developments in the pro-life movement, check out these websites for daily updates on the life issues!*

- NationalRightToLifeNews.org
- LiveActionNews.org
- LifeNews.com
- LifeSiteNews.com

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Please pass this newsletter on to educate and motivate others. A PDF version is available on our website. Go to: [www.plam.org/newsletter/newsletter-archives](http://www.plam.org/newsletter/newsletter-archives)



# Abortion Pill and U.S. Supreme Court

It's been almost a year since the U.S. Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* in its June 24 *Dobbs* decision. In April, abortion was back before the court, this time regarding the FDA's approval of mifepristone, the first drug in the most common abortion pill regimen, which now accounts for more than half of all the abortions in the U.S.

Mifepristone kills the unborn child by blocking progesterone, thus breaking down the uterine lining and depriving the baby of nutrients and oxygen. A second drug, misoprostol, then causes contractions to expel the dead or dying child. (If

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keep these evil enterprises from coming to these towns. But this takes vigilance and a willingness to stand up.

One last thing. The abortion advocates use the term "intersectional" when relating to an array of sexual perversions and distortions. What this simply means is that all the areas of sexual deviancy are part and parcel with abortion and that when abortion facilities open up, all these areas of sexuality are promoted and encouraged, especially among our youth and young adults as if these are mainstream.

When we stand against the expansion of abortion, we stand against a whole lot of evil. Never has it been more important for us to stand with courage and clarity.

### No Comment . . .

**"Abortions are gender-affirming care."**

From the March 2023 newsletter of Just the Pill, an abortion pill supplier (founded in Minnesota in 2020) that mails out abortion pills (no in-person visit) and also delivers abortion pills via van in rural areas, including near the borders of pro-life states.

## Jericho Marches in Duluth and St. Paul



**DULUTH** — Because of the overturn of *Roe v. Wade* last summer, our affiliate, Pro-Life Ministries of Duluth, held their annual Jericho March on March 25 instead of January 22.

*From Assistant Director Sarah Winandy:*

About 150 pro-life warriors marched seven times around the block of the Building for Women which houses the abortion mill. Passing the pro-death folks, we remained peaceful. Each time around, we stopped and read a whole chapter of a Psalm. Twice we stopped and gave a shout: the first time "God is Life" ten times, and finishing with "Praise Jesus Christ the Lord"; the second time a war cry of victory (with a shofar)! We were so blessed!

**ST. PAUL** — Every year, to conclude our Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign, we conduct a seven-day Jericho March. This year about 100 people participated on the seventh day, April 2, walking around the St. Paul Planned Parenthood six times in silent prayer, the seventh time with praises to God and the blowing of shofars (rams' horns), and ending in front with seven rounds of loud acclamations to God.



### Several Chose Life — Thank You, 40 Days for Life Prayer Supporters!

This year's Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign started on Ash Wednesday, with about 30 prayer supporters coming out in a snowstorm! Besides the baby documented saved on March 28 (see page 5), during the last few weeks of our 40 Days for Life we received reports from sidewalk counselors of several other women leaving Planned Parenthood without aborting! Although we don't have enough information to document these as babies saved specifically because of our ministry, we believe they show the power of God working through the faithful prayers and presence of 40 Days for Life volunteers! During this same time period, a woman drove away from Whole Woman's in Bloomington, telling our sidewalk counselor that she was keeping her baby. Finally, during Holy Week, a young couple sat in their car outside the Robbinsdale abortion mill and left, stating that they had changed their minds. Praise God for all these babies and families spared, and for YOU who prayed for them!

## Heartbeat Protection Act Becomes Law in Florida

In mid-April, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis signed into law the heartbeat bill passed by the Florida Legislature with large majorities. This bill bans abortions after the baby's heartbeat is detectable. (The baby's heartbeat actually begins about 5 weeks after the mother's last menstrual period [LMP]. Since the baby would have been conceived about 2 weeks after the LMP, this means the baby's heart begins beating about 3 weeks after conception, which has been known for many decades.)

The Heartbeat Protection Act prohibits doctors from "knowingly performing" an abortion when the gestational age of the baby is determined to be more than 6 weeks. When implemented, this law will impact the ministry of our branch office in central Florida.

The law allows abortions if two doc-

tors certify that in their reasonable medical judgment an abortion is necessary "to save the pregnant woman's life or to avert a serious risk of imminent substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman other than a psychological condition."

The law also provides \$25 million in aid to women and families through pregnancy help centers, although that money cannot be used to fund specific programs that include religious content.

Unfortunately, the law has exceptions, allowing for babies conceived as the result of reported rape, incest or human trafficking to be aborted up to 15 weeks, and allowing for abortions up to the beginning of the third trimester in the case of fatal fetal anomalies.

Under the new law, the abortionist in

an illegal abortion would face up to 5 years in prison and a \$5000 fine and, if the mother dies in the abortion, the penalty would be up to 15 years and a \$10,000 fine.

The new law does not yet go into effect. It was written with a "trigger" mechanism that depends on upcoming decisions of the Florida Supreme Court, which is strongly conservative. Currently, babies are being aborted up to 15 weeks based on a law passed last year. Though this law was immediately challenged by Planned Parenthood, it was allowed to be enforced while that case is being decided. The Florida Supreme Court is also weighing past decisions regarding a "privacy" clause that has been used previously to strike down pro-

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Action Ministries volunteer to bring her the literature. The volunteer explained that she could not go onto the driveway. So, the woman put her car in park, leaving it in the driveway, walked over to plaintiff Thomas Wilkin, who was also near the driveway, took the literature and spent several minutes standing there talking with him, with her car in the driveway the whole time. She thanked him for being there.

Several other times, people in cars appeared ready to take our literature but they had already entered the driveway area that crosses the public sidewalk and so we were prevented from going up to their car to simply hand them the literature. Then they drove in at the aggressive prompting of the PP escorts and, therefore, they missed our literature.

The ordinance also impacted our first prayer rally there on March 2, causing us to march in the street rather than across the driveway area of the public sidewalk (see photo at right).

With this lawsuit, we hope to restore our rights, not so much for ourselves, but for the babies we are trying to save and the mothers we are trying to help! We also want to prevent other cities such as St. Paul and/or the state of Minnesota

from implementing such restrictions on our vital ministry on the sidewalks.

The Thomas More Society is a national not-for-profit law firm dedicated to restoring respect in law for life, family, religious liberty, and election integrity.

We are very grateful for their excellent representation. Please keep this lawsuit in your prayers and consider joining us to save lives outside the Uptown PP (or elsewhere).



About 20 people witnessed to the humanity of the unborn child and prayed against abortion during our first prayer rally outside the Uptown Planned Parenthood in Minneapolis, which started killing unborn children in late 2020. The March 2 rally was organized in collaboration with students from Bethlehem College. Note the participants marching in the street due to the "exclusion zone" (for pro-life activists only), comprising the driveway part of the public sidewalk.



## Babies Saved

**So far in 2023, by the grace of God, 17 babies have been documented saved through the efforts of Pro-Life Action Ministries. We've had some great stories lately, including the following three. To read more, go to [www.plam.org](http://www.plam.org) and click on "Babies Saved".**

### *Baby Saved in Duluth!*

*Condensed from a report by Zoe Nelson, Communications Specialist, Pro-Life Ministries of Duluth, an affiliate of Pro-Life Action Ministries*

March 2 — As a couple walked past sidewalk counselors Sarah W. and Joe N., Sarah got a brochure into the hands of the dad before the umbrellas from the abortion escorts closed in around them. . . God orchestrated it that Tom S. was able to

talk to the mom, and eventually hand her the pro-life brochure as well. They both went in and the door of death closed behind them as it does for so many each week. Some time later, just the dad walked out the front door with an escort. The escorts and umbrellas surrounded him, but the Lord put Joe in the right place at the right moment! Turns out the boyfriend didn't want her to do it, but they both felt overwhelmed. Through all the talking and texting between the two parents with the support of Joe, finally she texted that she wanted to leave. Joe and Brent H. gave some cash to the couple to assist them. As they drove away, they were both smiling, and we were all elated! And were the escorts ever so upset and worked up. They acted like a hornets' nest that had gotten poked. ALL the praise to God! He blessed us by letting us be part of His redemptive plan.

### *They Stayed on the Sidewalk, and a Baby was Saved!*

*by Michele Herzog*

*Central Florida Branch Manager*

While out ministering at AWHC on March 24, we were met by the usual pro-abortion escorts trying to impede and stop us from crying out to the abortion bound women and those accompanying them. With three of us remaining, we decided to stay until 1:00 p.m. and continue ministering and praying. Well, by the time we noticed, it was 1:30 and we still felt we needed to stay. . . the Lord kept us there for a reason! Right after that, a car was driving past us with two women inside, and the passenger had her head out the window looking at us with a look of distress upon her face! They pulled into the abortuary parking lot very slowly, with the young woman still staring at us. Kim, one of the sidewalk counselors, yelled out, "You don't have to do this!" They drove slowly, slowly, and then just kept driving through to the exit driveway!

As they pulled up by us, their windows were still down, and the passenger says with glee, "I changed my mind, I'm not going to do this!" The driver also had a huge smile on her face and was nodding her head up and down! I looked at her and said, "What made you change your mind?" And with that, these were the words she answered, "You, you all being here, that's what changed our mind!"

Oh, to hear those words, in the midst of pure evil, it was as if the Lord was saying to us, "Your presence is important, and you are seen!" We made plans to go out to lunch, and all of us were so encouraged, including the mama and her friend! We were also so thankful that the Lord spoke to our hearts and kept us there longer . . . because HE had a plan . . . one that we couldn't see, but we were thankful we heeded the Holy Spirit's leading! Just being out there on the sidewalk can change a woman's mind, and a baby is saved from the slaughter! GLORY HALLELUJAH!

*Michele posted a video account of this story on her Facebook, March 24: [www.facebook.com/michele.u.herzog](http://www.facebook.com/michele.u.herzog)*

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### *The following gifts were sent to Pro-Life Action Ministries:*

#### **In Memory of . . .**

**Patricia Bracken** by Alison Maruska  
**Donald and MaryAnn Schonert** by Eileen Cushing  
**Burt Kroon** by Rita Kroon  
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**Marlene Lindemer, Jerry Olson, and Michael Vetsch** by Ken and Cathy Barthel  
**Sarah Patricia Marie Johnson** by Barry and Linda Johnson  
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**James David "JD" Link, Hilda Faber, Jim Bernard and June Edwards (who was 103)**  
 by Duane and Maureen Braun  
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#### **In Honor of . . .**

**Shannon Turcotte on her birthday** by Larry Turcotte  
**Barbara Jean Roe** by Daniel Gene Curry  
**Theresa Lauber** by Mary Jean Loomis  
**Elena Carbone Thayer on her 98th birthday** by Mary Therese Nelson

*Thank you for your gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. An acknowledgment card is sent to the person or family you designate. (The amount of your gift is kept confidential.) If, in addition, you would like your memorial or honorarium published in Pro-Life Action News, please request that at the time of your donation.*

## Babies Saved (from page 5)

### Simply Handing Literature Saved a Life!

by Andy L., volunteer sidewalk counselor

On March 28 (during 40 Days for Life), a woman was pulling out of Planned Parenthood (PP) in St. Paul and

I offered her literature. She wound down her window and as she stopped, she showed me that she had already gotten our literature. I asked her if she was there for an abortion and if she'd changed her mind and she said that she was and that she did change her mind. She held up the literature and said, "I started looking through this and decided I couldn't do it." I asked her when she had received the literature and she told me that she had

received it from a woman at the entrance at 9:10. I then realized that Kate F, whom I relieve of her shift when I get to PP at 9:30, had told me that she had given literature to a woman not long before I had arrived. Less than one hour after Kate had given this woman literature, she was driving out of PP. I truly believe it was Kate simply handing this lady literature that saved a life that day!

## Pray for . . . Joseph Nelson

Joseph Nelson, 36, was an abortionist in Texas, but after the *Dobbs* decision last June, Texas passed laws to protect unborn children from conception, so Nelson could no longer commit abortions in that state. He became licensed in Minnesota and started aborting children at Whole Woman's in Bloomington. (Whole Woman's is an abortion chain begun by a Minnesota woman, Amy Hagstrom Miller, which had to close several abortion mills in Texas. It recently opened one in Albuquerque, N.M., and *Axios* reported that the new abortion center had a "starting goal" of 75 abortions per week. So much for making abortion "rare".)

In January, Nelson testified in a Minnesota House committee, promoting a pro-abortion bill that shields abortionists in Minnesota from laws in pro-life states when committing abortions on out-of-state women. (This bill has since been advanced by the state legislature.)

Please pray that Nelson would stop basing his medical career on the killing of unborn children, would repent and turn to Christ.

### Listing Abortionists

A hallmark of our ministry has been confronting the evil of abortion with the love of Christ. This approach has included publicly identifying who the abortionists (and pro-abortion leaders) are. The practice of placing the names of abortionists in this newsletter has a twofold purpose: to ask for your heart-

felt prayers for the conversion of those listed and to inform you so that you are not patients of those committing abortions.

The criteria for placing someone on this list is that the individual is directly involved in committing abortions and that this has been reasonably verified. We have resoundingly condemned any sort of physical or psychological threats to anyone involved in abortion. Our desire is for the love of God to permeate the lives of those associated with abortion, that they will turn away from the harm they inflict and become followers of Christ as so many before them have done. Please pray for the following abortionists:

#### Minnesota

Julie Amaon, Carol E. Ball, David Baram, Christy Boraas-Alsleben, Kristi Borowski, Robin Bresette, Thomas F. Campbell, William Cliby, Peter D'Ascoli, Norman Davies, Sean Dowdy, Kathryn Eggleston, June Fahrman, Abimbola Famuyide, Kimberly Fischer, Hope Frisch, Melvin Frisch, Lynn Hagedorn, Marilee Hanson, Amy Hertz, Judith Johnson, Liz Jordan, Christopher Klingele, Audrey Lance, Mary Mahoney, Catherine McKegey, Judith Ney, Robyn Oliver, Jessika Ralph, Donna Randall, Razel Remen, Carl Rose, Anuja Singh, Carrie Terrell, Sarah Traxler, Kenneth Trofater, Wendy White, Timothy O. Wilson

#### Minnesota licenses "inactive" —

Rise Hatten, Frederick Kravitz, Miriam McCreary, Mark Tanz, Dirk Van Oppen

#### Central Florida

Kirk Brody, Candace Cooley, Gary Dresden, James Gengalbach, Darwin Jackson, Malcolm Jones, Michael Loss, Sujatha Prabhakaran, Jose Raul Quintana, Virgil Reid, Harvey Roth

#### Is Your Doctor Involved in Abortions?

#### Does Your Doctor Prescribe Abortifacient Birth Control?

Ask your doctor if he/she does abortions or refers for them, or prescribes abortifacients such as the Pill, Ortho Evra (the "patch"), Depo-Provera (the "shot"), Nuva-Ring, the "morning-after pill," implants, or the IUD. All these methods (and others) can cause very early abortions by thinning the lining of the uterus so that if breakthrough ovulation occurs (which is possible) and a new life is conceived, the young human being may not be able to attach to the uterine lining and therefore he or she dies. These methods can also be very dangerous, even deadly, to the woman. If you would like the names of completely pro-life physicians, see [www.onemoresoul.com/nfp-directory](http://www.onemoresoul.com/nfp-directory). In Minnesota, you may also call our office at (651) 771-1500.

#### Natural Family Planning

For information about the safe, effective and morally acceptable methods of *Natural Family Planning (NFP)*, contact *One More Soul* at: 1-800-307-7685 or [www.onemoresoul.com](http://www.onemoresoul.com). *One More Soul* has resources to help people understand how children are a great blessing from God, and how contraception is very harmful to women, and their marriages, and consequently to families, Church and society.

## Regular Prayer Times Outside the Abortion Centers

Join a group below or start your own prayer time outside an abortion center. We *strongly* encourage prayer groups from all denominations. If you would like to have your group listed here, contact Debra Braun at (651) 797-6364.

### Central Florida

#### **All Women's Health Center** 431 Maitland Ave., Altamonte Springs

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) St. Margaret Mary, Barbara (407) 647-9230

Thursday 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) St. Mary Magdalen, Larry (407) 453-4583

Second Friday (Third Friday in January and July) 10:30-12:30 (Rosary)

St. Paul Catholic Community, Leesburg

Fourth Saturday 8:30 a.m., Liberty Christian Center, Yannick and Tabitha Rice (407) 600-5957

#### **Planned Parenthood** 11500 University Blvd., Orlando

Saturday 8:30 a.m. (Rosary), Gerry (914) 837-7008 or Bernice (407) 310-8732

#### **Orlando Women's Center (OWC)** 1103 Lucerne Terrace, Orlando

Wednesday 10:00-11:00 a.m. (Rosary) Respect Life Ministry, Our Saviour's Church,

Gene Rasmussen (407) 967-0992

Second Saturday 8:30-11:30 a.m., Holy Name of Jesus and Ascension K of C groups from

Melbourne, Tony (321) 917-8694

Third Saturday 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Respect Life Ministry, Our Saviour's Church,

Gene Rasmussen (407) 967-0992

Third Saturday 10:00-11:00 a.m., St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

### Duluth

#### **WE Health Clinic** 32 E. First St. (Building For Women)

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Marie Opsahl (320) 384-6292

Wednesday Following 9:00 a.m. prayer at First Presbyterian Church, 300 East 2nd St., Duluth

Thursday and Friday 8:00 a.m., Sarah Winandy (715) 969-4506

### Rochester, Minn.

#### **Planned Parenthood** 1212 7th St., NW Call Maggie (507) 951-2316 for details.

(Abortions are usually committed on Mondays).

### Twin Cities

#### **Brooklyn Park Planned Parenthood** 7532 Brooklyn Blvd.

Friday 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Rosary) Life Matters, St. Stephen's, Anoka (Abortions are done Fridays.)

#### **Eden Prairie Planned Parenthood** 582 Prairie Center Dr.

Fourth Saturday 9:00-10:00 a.m. (Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet) Ashley (303) 746-2574

"Prayer at Tower Square"

#### **Little Canada Planned Parenthood** 91 Viking Dr., W.

Second Wednesday 11:00 a.m.-noon, St. John's Culture of Life Committee

Third Saturday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Jan (651) 490-0247

Please join us in praying and/or holding signs.

#### **St. Paul Planned Parenthood** 671 Vandalia St., St. Paul

Monday through Saturday 7:20 a.m. (Rosary) Bob (612) 247-1166

Thursday 5:00 p.m. (Rosary) Bob (612) 247-1166

Third Thursday 10:00-11:00 a.m. (Rosary) All Saints Church, Lakeville, Mary Bocek (651) 528-4617

Friday 9:30-10:00 a.m. (Rosary) led by a priest of the Archdiocese

Friday 3:00-3:30 p.m. (Rosary) Legion of Mary

First Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary, Chaplet, Silence) A Community Caring for Life,

Michael Gross, gross-me@outlook.com

Third Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Cathedral of St. Paul Knights of Columbus #14752,

Al Rohweder (612) 417-6613

#### **Richfield Planned Parenthood** 6527 Lyndale Ave., S.

Wednesday 1:00 p.m. (Rosary) Helen (612) 822-8360

#### **Robbinsdale abortion center** 3819 W. Broadway, Robbinsdale

Saturday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) led by Rev. Thomas Dufner

#### **Whole Woman's** 8053 E. Bloomington Freeway, Bloomington

Wednesday Approximately 9:00 a.m. (Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet). For details, contact

Bernadette (952) 941-8079 or Kathy (952) 356-9530 (Leave a message if no one answers.)

Thursday 10:00 a.m. (Rosary) Bloomington/Richfield Marian Council Knights of Columbus

Tom Mantel (952) 835-3945

Second Saturday (April through October) 9:30 a.m. (Rosary) Sts. Joachim and Anne Knights of

Columbus, Robert Blake (612) 387-1922

#### **Woodbury Planned Parenthood** 1795 Radio Dr.

Thursday (Divine Mercy Chaplet) Transfiguration Church, contact Phil for details: pvstoffel@gmail.com

## Abortion Pill Lawsuit

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the second drug is not taken, there is a 65% chance of saving the baby through a protocol called abortion pill reversal, using supplemental progesterone.)

The lawsuit, *Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. U.S. Food and Drug Administration*, argues that the FDA unlawfully fast-tracked the approval of mifepristone in 2000 through a process intended for treatments of life-threatening illnesses. It points out that the safety of this drug (for the woman) have not been established. The plaintiffs include four pro-life medical organizations represented by Alliance Defending Freedom.

On April 7, Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk, a U.S. District Court judge in Texas, had issued a decision which temporarily banned mifepristone across the country, but it did not go into effect because of a 7-day period allowed for appeal. The Biden administration appealed and on April 13, a three-judge panel of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals allowed the drug to stay on the market, but reinstated minimal regulations that had been in effect in 2016. At least 28 women have died from the abortion pill regimen and more than 4000 serious adverse events were reported before the FDA decided in 2016 that only deaths, not injuries, needed to be reported.

The Biden administration and Danco\*, the drug's importer, again appealed and on April 21, the Supreme Court stayed lower court rulings and returned the issue to the 5th Circuit for a full hearing. Mifepristone is still on the market, for now. But the full 5th Circuit Court will take up the case in an expediated hearing scheduled for May 17.

\* *Life Legal* achieved a significant victory recently in a whistleblower action against Danco. The lawsuit was brought under the False Claims Act and alleged that Danco mislabeled mifepristone, which it imports from China, resulting in significant financial losses to the U.S. government. Danco admitted to its failure to pay Customs Duties and has agreed to reimburse the government \$765,000. The whistleblowers will receive approximately \$115,000.

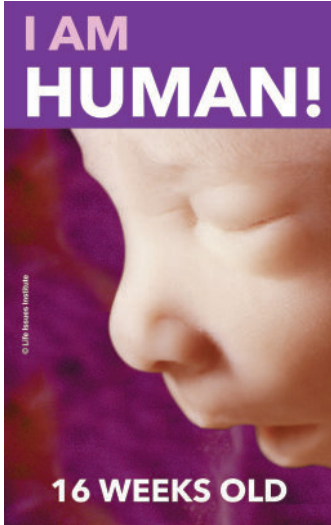




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## Florida Enacts “Heartbeat” Law

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life laws.

After the *Dobbs* decision last summer, Florida became an “abortion-destination” state with women coming from other southeastern states that had already passed laws to protect unborn children from early in pregnancy. Tragically, the number of abortions in Florida increased from 79,817 in 2021 to 82,581 in 2022, according to state health statistics (accessed on April 26, 2023).

Abortions in Florida are increasingly committed on women from out of state, and the number of second-trimester abortions (after 12 weeks’ gestation) rose dramatically between 2021 and 2022 (from 4850 in 2021 to 6402 the next year), despite the 15-week abortion ban having been in effect since July 2022.

### Calendar of Events

#### Twin Cities

**June 24** — First Anniversary of U.S. Supreme Court’s *Dobbs* Decision  
Overturning *Roe v. Wade!*

**October 2** — Annual Life Banquet: keynote speaker **Mayra Rodríguez**

Former Planned Parenthood Employee of the Year, whistleblower

**Weekly** — “Living the Gospel of Life” show with **Brian Gibson and Angela Erickson**

Relevant Radio, 1330 AM, Twin Cities, 12:30 p.m., Saturday, or listen online at:  
[www.plam.org/radio-show-archives](http://www.plam.org/radio-show-archives)

#### Central Florida

**“Jesus Loves the Little Children” Days**

Contact Michele at (407) 230-2557 or [micheleforlife@gmail.com](mailto:micheleforlife@gmail.com) for dates, time and location.  
Parents, bring your children to make signs, do LIFE sidewalk chalk art, pray and sing!

#### Duluth

**June 3** — **Can I Live?**

10:00 a.m. March around the abortion center and parts of Duluth with signs and t-shirts that say, “Can I Live?” Then we will have a sandwich lunch and stand on the corner of Lake and First St. in Duluth in support of the children in the womb.

**July 4** — **Parade in Superior, Wis.**

March in the parade to be a witness for Life to thousands who come.

**August 5** — **“Bike for Life” Fundraiser and Picnic**

Have sponsors for your ride and bike on the famous Munger Trail, then come for a picnic with all the brats you can eat. Country Market, 2751 Market St, Mahtowa, MN 55707

**For details on these events, call Sarah at (715) 969-4506.**

**Every Thursday and Friday** — **Prayer and witness (sidewalk counseling on abortion day)** 8:00 a.m. in front of the Building For Women, 32 E. First St.

(See page 2 for contact information to obtain details about any of these events and other ongoing daily and weekly activities. See also “Regular Prayer Times” on page 7.)