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Western Washington Pro-Life Update

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"And it is today, in the present that we decide our future destiny. It is with our concrete everyday behavior in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby Who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity."

~ Pope Benedict XVI, *Christ is the Measure God has Given Humanity*, December 9, 2007 ~

COMMENTARY AND NEWS

Embracing Life, a pregnancy aid center in Marysville, WA, is in desperate need of diapers, sizes 2 and up. They are also in need of clothes for boys 6 to 9 months and girls 3 years and up. Cash donations would also be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be delivered or mailed to:

Embracing Life
1523 10th St. Suite B
Marysville, WA 98270

Embracing Life is open on Monday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Pregnancy Aid in Everett is in great need of volunteers. If you or someone you know can volunteer for a few hours each month, please give Nadine a call at 425-252-6444.

Birthright is also in need of volunteers. If you have a sincere desire to help pregnant women and their babies, please call 1-800-550-4900 or email info@birthright.org for more information.

These centers are truly helping mothers and babies. Please keep them in your prayers.



Hike4Life

We are good citizens of America and of the Kingdom, pilgrims on our way home, stopping along the way to quietly pray in adoration of our God, in reparation for the outrageous sin of abortion, in supplication for our pre-born brothers and sisters who have no voice, and for all those involved in abortion in any way. We do not seek to provoke controversy, shout slogans or carry graphic signs. Willing to step out in faith, we are simply Christians, dedicated to the proposition that all human life is sacred.

Hike4Life is a four day 'walk & drive pilgrimage' to 12 abortion businesses from Silverdale to Olympia, from **January 19-22, 2008.**

It will begin on Saturday, January 19, 2008, at Our Lady Star of the Sea parish in Bremerton. Participants will walk to the two west-sound Planned Parenthood facilities in Bremerton and Silverdale, continue the first day's hike at three abortion mills in Seattle, and then drive to Renton.

The second day, Sunday, January 20, participants will drive and hike to the abortuaries in Renton, Kent, and Federal Way. They will end the day in Tacoma.

On Monday, January 21, they plan to pray at the three abortion businesses in Tacoma and then arrive in Olympia that afternoon.

Early on Tuesday, January 22, they will walk to, and pray at the abortion mill in Olympia, returning in time for the Pro-Life Mass. Finally, they will walk to, and take part in, the March for Life.

Hike4Life recently learned that parishes within the archdiocese will **not** be allowed to provide the hikers with a place to rest, so they need your help.

If you live in Renton, Tacoma, or Olympia please consider opening your home to the **12-14 hikers**. They will need a little food and a place to roll out there sleeping bags and sleep on:

Saturday, January 19 in Renton
Sunday, January 20 in Tacoma
Monday, January 21 in Olympia

If you are able and willing to open your home to **Hike4Life**, please contact Suzan.



FL Heisman winner could have been aborted

New York, NY (LifeNews.com) -- Doctors once recommended that Florida's Heisman Trophy winner, Tim Tebow, be aborted.

Pam Tebow and her husband were Christian missionaries in the Philippines in 1985 and they prayed for "Timmy" before she became pregnant. As the Gainesville Sun reports, Pam entered into a coma after she contracted amoebic dysentery, an infection of the intestine caused by a parasite.

The treatment required medications that doctors said had caused irreversible damage to Tim -- so they advised her to have an abortion.

Pam Tebow refused the abortion, citing her faith as the reason for her hope that her son would be born without disabilities. She spent the last two months of her pregnancy in bed, and gave birth to a healthy baby boy in August 1987.

As prominent researcher Joel Brind [writes](#) in a new LifeNews.com editorial, doctors are frequently telling women they should consider abortions when confronted with various medical situations affecting their health.

Yet, as he notes, physicians can successfully treat both mother and child without suggesting that the baby be killed to spare a mother's life.

The Gainesville Sun story is at <http://www.gainesville.com/article/20071206/NEWS/712060310>

For a chilling perspective on the human toll that 35 years of surgical abortion has taken on this country, please see Fr. Euteneuer's article, [How Many Heisman Winners Has Abortion Killed?](#)



The Central Deanery Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring a bus to the March for Life in Olympia on January 22, 2008. Please visit <http://gospeloflifeinstitute.org/flyers/ACCWBus08.pdf> for more information. Space is limited. The deadline for bus reservations is **January 13, 2008**.



Nurses for Life WA is participating in the 2008 March for Life on **January 22nd** in Olympia, WA. They will meet at St. Michael Parish for Mass and then march to the state capitol under the Pro-Life Nurses banner. Please plan to attend this event. More details will be shared, as they become available.

RSVP if you plan to attend, and pass this information on to all pro-life nurses and healthcare workers that you know. WE need to let our legislators KNOW that we are PRO-LIFE and that we stand behind them.

EVENTS

*****Respect Life Potluck Meeting with Special Guest Tuan Nguyen*****

You and your family are cordially invited to St. Michael's Respect Life Meeting **tomorrow, Tuesday, December 18**, in Olympia. The guest speaker is a college student and was a recent missionary to the Sisters of Charity in Calcutta, India. Tuan's testimony will be especially inspiring to teens. Please see the attached flyers for more information.

Walk for Life

The 4th Annual Walk for Life West Coast is Saturday, **January 19, 2008**. Last year, approximately 25,000 people participated in the Walk for Life in San Francisco. Please help promote this year's walk by distributing the flyers that are available for download and printing at <http://www.walkforlifewc.com> If you are interested in receiving Walk for Life updates, please sign up at <http://loyolabook.com/wfl>

March for Life

The **30th Annual March for Life** will take place on Tuesday, **January 22, 2008** at noon on the Capitol grounds in Olympia. Please plan on participating and encourage your family and friends to do the same. If you are chartering a bus, please make arrangements for parking by calling Kathy.

It's About Life Conference

Don't miss the 4th annual It's About Life Conference on February 23, 2008 at St. Joseph's Parish in Kennewick. Speakers include Fr. Frank Pavone, Georgette Forney, and Wesley J. Smith. Please see the flyer for more information. Directions are available via the Event Map.

Bremerton Prayer Vigil

Please join us in praying outside the Bremerton Planned Parenthood abortuary, 623 Riddell Rd. in East Bremerton, on Thursdays from 8:45-10:00 a.m. (after 8:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea). We meet on Thursdays, as this is when abortions take place at Planned Parenthood. We will be praying the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants

For more information regarding upcoming Prayer Vigils, please visit Helper's of God's Precious Infants.

Holy Family, Seattle Activities

We have a weekly Friday morning prayer vigil in front of the West Seattle Planned Parenthood at 9641 28th Ave SW. We leave from Holy Family Parish (9622 - 20th Ave SW) at 7:15 a.m. As the weather gets colder, we especially welcome those who can join us, either walking from the parish at 7:15 a.m. or in front of the clinic from 7:30 to 8:10 a.m. We walk back to the parish in time for the 8:30 a.m. Friday morning Mass. All are welcome to participate.

Olympia Activities

9:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. each Friday

Catholics meet on Fridays at St. Michael Parish for 9:00 AM Mass, and pray the Rosary for Life at 9:45. The group then meets with others from Show the Truth and at 10:15 we proceed from the church to the Planned Parenthood's Olympia mill. At 11:30 we break for lunch. Then it is back to PP. The day's activities end at 2:45 p.m. with ecumenical prayer. For more information, please contact Ed Sauley at 360-480-9329 or www.SHOWTHETRUTH.org

Show the Truth Cross State Tour

We have numerous one day tours which we schedule so as to assist the local pro-lifers with their outreach. Please call Ed Sauley for directions and information, 360-480-9329 or check the [SHOW THE TRUTH](#) web page.

Tacoma Stands Up For Life

Sidewalk counseling and Prayerful Presence

Date: Every **Tuesday** Morning

Planned Parenthood, 813 MLK Way, Prayerful Presence, **Tacoma**

Time: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Please bring your own prayer partner with you if possible or contact Bud if you'd like to come at a particular hour and need a second. We would like at least "2 or more gathered in His name" at any time. (Please don't attempt to join Bud, who'll be there part of this time, at the other end of the building -- he'll be sidewalk counseling, which is best done 1 on 1.)

Contact: Bud Niebergall

Phone: 253-564-5241

Please visit <http://gospeloflifeinstitute.org/vigils.htm> for additional prayer vigil dates, times, and locations.

SUPPORT

Rachel's Vineyard

If you wish to attend a [Rachel's Vineyard](#) retreat at one of the locations below, please call or e-mail the contact person listed or call us toll-free at 877 HOPE 4 ME.

Oregon

- **Medford**

Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186

Next retreat: February 22-24, 2008