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*Western Washington Pro-Life Update*

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"Abortion kills an unborn, developing human life. It is always gravely evil, and so are the evasions employed to justify it. Catholics who make excuses for it - whether they're famous or not - fool only themselves and abuse the fidelity of those Catholics who do sincerely seek to follow the Gospel and live their Catholic faith. The duty of the Church and other religious communities is moral witness.

The duty of the state and its officials is to serve the common good, which is always rooted in moral truth. A proper understanding of the "separation of Church and state" does not imply a separation of faith from political life.

But of course, it's always important to know what our faith actually teaches."

~ Archbishop Charles Chaput, "[On the Separation of Sense and State...](#)", August 25, 2008 ~

## COMMENTARY AND NEWS

### March for Life Student Essay/Poetry/Poster Contest

The theme for this year's contest is, "**Remember - the 'LIFE Principles' mean 'equal care' with 'No Exception!'**" The deadline for submissions is November 14, 2008. Winners get to attend the March for Life and dinner the night before. For contest forms and more information on rules, etc., please visit [www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org)



### Important Lecture, Q& A on I-1000

*WHO: **Dr. David Stevens**, MD, MA (Bioethics), CEO of the Christian Medical and Dental Associations*

*WHAT: **Initiative 1000, physician-assisted suicide***

*WHEN: Thursday, **October 16**, 7 p.m.*

*WHERE: Woodin Valley Baptist Church, 5400 228th St., SE Bothell, WA*

*About Dr. Stevens: Dr. David Stevens, is the author of Jesus, MD. He is the host of the popular Christian Doctor's Digest audio magazine. Dr. Stevens' experiences, including full time work as a missionary doctor at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya, provide rich illustrations for inspirational and educational presentations at seminars, conferences, churches and on the media.*

*About CMDA: see [www.cmda.org](http://www.cmda.org)*

**PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS!!!!**



[Tacoma 40 Days for Life](#) is looking for a second person to man their vigil site for each of the hours below. If you are able to fill one or more, please visit <http://www.vigilschedule.com/tacoma/schedule> to sign up.

**Sunday, October 19**

10-11a.m.  
11a.m.-12p.m.  
12-1p.m.

**Monday, October 20**

11a.m.-12p.m.

**Tuesday, October 21**

12-1p.m.  
2-3p.m.  
3-4p.m.

**Wednesday, October 22**

11a.m.-12p.m.  
12-1p.m.



[Seattle 40 Days for Life](#) could really use your help today and tomorrow getting the hours filled. Please consider taking an hour or two to lighten the load. **Please call if you can help! (253-336-6493)**

**Wednesday (today)**

7-10p.m. and 11p.m.-2a.m.

**Thursday, October, 16**

Midnight-2a.m., 2-3p.m., 5:30-10p.m. and 11p.m.-2a.m. again

## EVENTS

### 40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life began on **September 24** and will run through **November 2** (the Sunday preceding the national elections). Have you registered to participate in this peaceful, oftentimes 24-hour, prayer vigil? If not, please do so by visiting one of the websites linked below and following these instructions:

- Go to the website of the city in which you want to participate
- Click on "VIGIL SCHEDULE" at the top of the page
- Scroll down to #2 and click on "View the vigil schedule"
- Follow the instructions to the right of the calendar

**Centralia**

1020 W Main St.  
Centralia, Washington

**Everett**

1509 32nd Street  
Everett, Washington

### Olympia

402 Legion Way  
Olympia, Washington

### Seattle

NE 45th St. and 9th Ave NE, in the U-District  
Seattle, Washington

### Spokane

123 East Indiana  
Spokane, Washington

### Tacoma

813 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Tacoma, Washington

### Tri-Cities

7426 W. Bonnie Ave (off N. Belfair Street)  
Kennewick, Washington

St. Stephen the Martyr Parish Respect Life Committee invites you to pray with the nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. For information on how you can take a prayerful stand for life in the Renton area during these 40 days, please contact Louise Scott at 425-271-7185.

## **Weekly Hour of Reparation for the Upcoming National Elections**

God is conscious of every strand of hair upon our heads. He cares greatly about our world, our nation, and the elections for which we are preparing.



Please join us for a weekly holy hour of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the intentions of our national elections. We ask that God's will be done as He guides the minds and hearts of those who go to the polls.

WHEN: Every Wednesday **through November 4, 2008**

WHERE: **Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Bremerton**

**IN THE CHAPEL**

TIME: **3:00 to 4:00 pm**

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT: Suzan Hudak

## **Peaceful Prayer Vigils**

As part of the nationwide campaign that began September 24th and will run through November 2nd, Father Gary Zender invites you to join him in a peaceful prayer vigil on Saturday morning, **October 18**, beginning at St. Anthony church, 416 South 4th Street, Renton, with 8:00 AM Mass followed by a Pro-Life Rosary on the sidewalk at the Cedar River Clinic at Talbot and S. 43rd. Please bring your rosary and only images of Divine Mercy and Our Lady of Guadalupe (no protest signs). Contact Louise Scott 425-271-7185 if you have questions or if you are able to take a prayerful stand for life in the Renton area during any of the remaining 40 days in this pre-election prayer campaign.

## Respect Life Weekend Conference

The Respect Life Committee at St. Michael's in Olympia invites you to participate in their 2nd annual Respect Life Weekend Conference.

**October 17 - 19: "It's Our Catholic Faith, Let's Live It!"** You won't want to miss this Respect Life Weekend with dynamic speaker, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers from the Portland Diocese. An area-wide Pro-life Mass will be held on Saturday, October 18th with Fr. Sean Raftis, Fr. Mark Guzman, and Fr. David Mulholland. Please bring a favorite dish for the potluck brunch after Mass. Please see the [flyer](#) for the schedule and information regarding childcare.

## Pro-Life Washington Fundraising Dinner

St. Marks Knights of Columbus Council is Sponsoring an Italian Dinner on Saturday, **October 18**, at **6:00 p.m.** to support Prolife Washington's 2008 fall Billboard Campaign (Pictures of billboards on [www.prolifewashington.org](http://www.prolifewashington.org)). The key note speaker is Dr. Tom Curran. There will be a "Mini Auction" to help fund a billboard.

Location: St. Mark Catholic Church - 18033 15th Place NE- Shoreline, Wa. 98155.

Cost: \$25.00 per person or \$200.00 for a table of 8.

**For reservations**, please mail a check to Knights of Columbus St. Mark - PO Box 33117 - Seattle, Wa. 98133 - along with your Name, Address, Phone Number, and how many tickets you would like. Seating is limited.

## Spirituality of Aging Conference

Mary Queen of Peace invites caregivers, seniors, pastoral care ministers, and anyone interested in aging issues to their Spirituality of Aging Conference on **October 24** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. The conference fee is \$25 before October 15 (\$30 after that date) and includes lunch. Those persons who only want to hear Sister Sharon Park speak at 1:00 p.m. may do so without charge, but they need to email [Colleen](mailto:Colleen) to reserve a space. Please see the [flyer](#) for more information.

## Healing the Culture: A New Vision for Life

Healing the Culture's 2008 Conference and Expo will be **November 6-8** at the Hilton Bellevue Conference Center. Speakers include Fr. Robert Spitzer, Camille De Blasi Pauley, and others. Visit [www.healingtheculture.com](http://www.healingtheculture.com) or call 425-481-6563 to register.

## March for Life

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, **January 20, 2009** and plan on participating in the 31st annual March for Life in Olympia. The March will be followed by a week of pro-life activity, volunteering at Crisis Pregnancy centers or other pro-life charities and witnessing in prayer at abortion clinics on January 21, 22, and 23.

## Walk for Life West Coast

Join tens of thousands of pro-life women, men, families, and friends as they take to the streets of beautiful San Francisco proclaiming that 'Abortion Hurts Women' and 'Women Deserve Better than Abortion®'. Walk on **January 24, 2009** and let the world know that there is an ever increasing voice for Life on the West Coast! Join [Walk for Life West Coast](#) in ever greater numbers as we challenge

the belief that abortion is a good choice for women. Walk to proclaim that Life is a Choice —Life is the Best Choice!

If you would like to organize a group or would like further information, call 415/586-1576.

Please help promote this event by downloading and distributing the .pdf flyers: [English](#) or [Spanish](#)

### **Bremerton Prayer Vigil**

Please join us in praying outside the Bremerton Planned Parenthood abortuary, 623 Riddell Rd. in East Bremerton, on **Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** We pray 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**

Mondays, 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Sidewalk counseling and prayer at Olympia's Planned Parenthood (Meet at Planned Parenthood). Fr. Lee Perry from St. George Byzantine Church leads prayers. All faiths are welcomed and respected.

Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Some Catholics meet on Fridays at St. Michael Parish for 9:00 a.m. Mass, and pray the Rosary for Life at 9:45. They then join the sidewalk counselors who have been at Planned Parenthood beginning at 8:00 a.m. The counselors are able to offer immediate help (Shelter Home for Pregnant Teens) to those arriving for abortions. At 12:30 we break for lunch. The day's activities **usually** end around lunchtime with ecumenical prayer. For more information, please contact Ed Sauley at 360-480-9329 or [www.SHOWTHETRUTH.org](http://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 at 360-480-9329 for directions and information, or check the [SHOW THE TRUTH](#) web page.

### **Tacoma Stands Up For Life**

Sidewalk counseling and Rosary Brigade.

Date: Every Wednesday morning

**Location 1:** Cedar River Abortion Mill, 14th and Martin Luther King Way in Tacoma Hill Top area

Sidewalk Counseling: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Rosary: 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

**Location 2:** Planned Parenthood Abortion Mill, 813 M L K Way

Rosary: 11:15 -12:00 noon

Everyone with a heart for life and the "little ones" are invited to join us as we pray and tell the truth. For information contact: Bud Niebergall at 564-5241 or Stan Schack at 564-7822.

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for Ken VanDerhoef, [Human Life of Washington's](#) Chairman of the Board.

## 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 toll-free 877 HOPE 4 ME.

### Washington

- **Auburn**  
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814  
Next Retreat: TBA  
Note: Espanol
- **Ellensburg**  
Sponsor: Diocese of Yakima  
Contact: [Nancy Murray](#) 509 554 9415  
Next retreat: TBA
- **Longbranch**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: **November 7-9**
- **Stanwood**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: May 15 - 17, 2009
- **Tacoma area**  
Contact: Noemi 206-450-7814 (Espanol) or [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: TBA Espanol  
Next retreat: **November 7 - 9**
- **Vancouver**  
Contact: [Valerie Jacobs](#) 800 822 HOPE  
Next retreat: TBA  
Note: Espanol

### Oregon

- **Eugene**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: TBA
- **Medford**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: TBA
- **Portland**  
Contact: [Lori Eckstine](#) 800 249 8074 or 541 521 5186  
Next retreat: November 14 - 16

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