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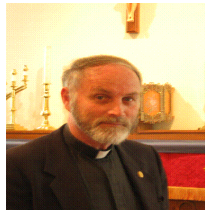
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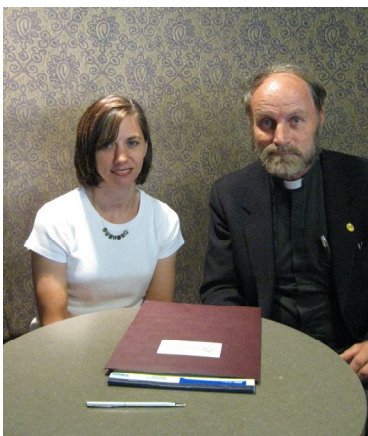
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Greetings:

We have had a good summer, filled with those activities reserved for the warmer weather. This summer at The Order (Confraternity) of The Holy Innocents we have been busy advocating for life. It is not easy work since there are many other conflicts that demand attention in the Church and our Nations.

I have been actively involved in advocating that abortion, panels, and euthanasia are not health care. This July I had the pleasure of meeting with Anastasia Bowles, Executive Director of **LifeCanada/VieCanada** in Ottawa. We discussed Bloc MP Francine LaLonde Euthanasia Bill C-384. You may access their website at <http://www.lifecanada.org/>. Also on their page, if it is close enough to you, you might wish to attend the conference "**Building Bridges**" in Saskatoon, Alb, The National Pro-Life Conference.



Anastasia Bowles

On another note after attending a meeting with a leading Baptist organization for Life they informed me of **Orphans Deserve Better**, <http://www.orphansdeservebetter.org>. This movement is a reaction to the term "Orphan" used by Women



Bishop Lucent Lindsey OHI Speaks at 40 Days For Life Kickoff Rally in Nashville



reaction to the movie Orphan made by Warner Brothers. As their web site proclaims: *"The fears fanned by the movie Orphan reflect natural concerns many parents have regarding the long-term impact of adoption. How will adopted kids turn out? How would adoption affect our family? Adopted children and their futures vary as much as biological children do. But studies show definitively that the fears stoked by a movie like Orphan are not supported by the data. In fact, the opposite is most often true."* Please go to the web site and sign the petition. Many of you know the **40 Days For Life** is underway and last year we had a very good participation by many of our Priests. More than 200 cities in 45 American states, 5 Canadian provinces ... plus Denmark ... have launched 40 Days for Life campaigns. 40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a VISION to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion in America.

The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful activism, with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion in America. <http://www.40daysforlife.com/> In Charleston, South Carolina I attended the opening ceremonies outside the Charleston Women's Medical Center (Abortion Clinic). Bishop L. Lindsey OHI (member of our Board of Advisement) attended and spoke at Nashville, Tennessee opening.

Please get involved!

The new rewritten "Rule" will be soon mailed to you. This rule is only an amalgamation of what is required of a faithful Priest, It is neither original nor exclusive to this movement. Example:

1. To say daily the Divine Office, either privately or openly, not being hindered by sickness or some other urgent cause;

2. To observe the appointed fast before Holy Communion, and other fasts and abstinences as prescribed;

3. To use the sacrament of Reconciliation as the conscience requires and at least once a year. . . Etc & etc

Finally I would like to bring it to the attention of the membership that effective November our dues will be \$25.00 yearly. If you can convince your Diocese or Province to sponsor us that would a suggested donation of \$150. and of course all donations are welcomed. Make your check out to the *Order of The Holy Innocent*, 5 Stobo Lane, Walterboro, South Carolina 29488. APFL is in real need to update our software and continue with the mission of being the only Catholic Anglican Priest group that is a totally committed to all life issues. I would like to thank our most recent members for joining the prayer effort: We welcome Father John Gibson from Alabama, Father Emmanuel Oba'a from Anglican Diocese of Camaroon and Father Michael Smith from New York State into the *Confraternity of The Holy Innocent*.

Nashville Rally

By The Rt. Rev Lucent Lindsey OHI Member Board of Advisors APL

We got the 40 Days for Life off to a good start here in Nashville with a kickoff rally and prayer service on Tuesday evening, September 22nd.. As you no doubt know 40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion in America. The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful activism, with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion in America.

40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of a three-point program - Prayer and fasting, Constant vigil, and Community outreach. 40 Days for Life takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion in their own neighborhoods, for their own friends and families. It puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion in America. The 40-day campaign tracks Biblical history, where God used 40-day periods to transform individuals, communities ... and the entire world. From Noah in the flood to Moses on the mountain to the disciples after Christ's resurrection, it is clear that God sees the transformative value of His people accepting and meeting a 40-day challenge.

Here are just a few highlights of 40 Days prayer vigil in front of a Nashville abortion facility this first week:

Day 1 & 2 Prayers were raised. Thursday is normally a day of procedures, but none scheduled that day.

Day 3 Prayed with workers. (Friday 9/25/09) Amazing day!

A few cars that entered the parking lot left. A young 18 year old girl from Virginia, Mikaela Haile, wanted to get involved in the effort in her home town of Fredericksburg, but there were no 40 Days efforts planned anywhere in the area. She prayed for God to show her where to go help, and thru dreams at night, He led her to Nashville. She got on a bus and came here, knowing no one--not even having a place to stay. And she is on fire for the Lord and to see the babies saved!

After Mikaela arrived, 2 clinic workers came out to ask what 40 Days was. We told them we would be there praying for the next 40 Days for Moms and babies, clinic workers, the closing of the clinic...They told us that they thought abortion was wrong--this was just there job. They both are believers, and said God would forgive them. We told them that if they were truly repentant, there was forgiveness. But you can't keep doing the same thing every day without expecting to one day stand before God and be held accountable. We asked if there was a different job, would they take it, and they said yes! Monique and Jennifer (they told us their names) let us pray for them! GOD IS GREAT!! Keep Monique and Jennifer in your prayers!!

Day 4 Rain Galore. (Sat. 9/26/09)It rained...but the faithful prayed. Sometimes as many as 20 were there! We greeted Monique and Jennifer with the love of Christ. Several clients turned away. Jane had a Divine Appointment at McDonalds of all places...after she spoke with a young lady and her parents, they eventually changed their minds and left. Another car sat in the parking lot for roughly 2 hours. The driver tried to force his friend into the clinic--but she refused. They eventually left!! Pray that "White Camaro Girl" will stay strong to her convictions--and not be forced back there!

Day 5 Clinic closed, prayers lifted.. (Sat. 9/27/09)

Day 6 Prayers lifted. (Today, Mon. 9/28/09) Spoke with Jennifer this morning. She promised to bring me a resume tomorrow so that friends in

It's Always Lent

By The Rev. Dr. Timothy Lent OHI
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This Issues Message

Genesis 1:26-27

What is the basis for human dignity? Why should human beings be treated with respect? Why is the human species different from all other forms of life? The answer is that human beings are made in the image of God (cf. Genesis 1:26-27). Several truths about the sanctity and dignity of human life follow from this passage.

First, the essence of one's humanity, what makes a person human, is the image of God. Without the image of God in the human person, one is not a human being. God's breath, his life, imparts the image of God, thus making lifeless matter into a human being (cf. Genesis 2:7).

Second, it was God's eternal plan to create human life. From eternity, God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness..." (Genesis 1:26). The human race, then, is not an accident, a product of chance. On the contrary, Scripture says, "God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them" (Genesis 1:27). This is the general teaching of Scripture. The specific teaching is each human being is conceived by a creative act of God. The psalmist says, "For Thou didst form my inward parts; Thou didst weave me in my mother's womb" (Psalm 139:13). It is impossible for a human being to create himself/herself. No one asks to be born. Life is a gift from God. The psalmist says, "It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves" (Psalm 100:3).

Third, a human being is an icon, a sacred image of God. The English word "icon" is derived from the Greek word *eikon*, translated "image" in Genesis 1:26 and 27. The greatest icon cannot be found in any human work of art, because the greatest icon of God is a human being. Human life is sacred. That is why murder is wrong. Scripture says, "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of God He made man" (Genesis 9:6). Murder is an act of sacrilege. It is an attempt to destroy the image of God in the human person. It is, in the final analysis, an attack on God himself, the creator of human life.

the medical profession could help to find her a job that would be pleasing to the Lord! (if you know of anyone looking for a medical assistant, please let me know. I think she makes roughly \$10 per hour).

Day 7 Prayers lifted. Today is a day when abortions are performed. Please pray that women will turn away, and make the right choice to "Choose Life".

OLD PROFESSOR POPKIN'S UNWANTED ADVICE COLUMN

A HOW TO ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF CONTEMPORARY
LIFE

Dear Professor Popkin:

I am so worried about the economy. There is so much unemployment. The cost of living is so high. What are we to do?

Befuddled in Buffalo

Dear Befuddled: *I can suggest some remedies, but you won't like them.*

-One of you can stay home, which ever of you makes the smaller salary. You will find that the most important job in the world is caring for children, preparing nutritious and tempting meals, volunteering in the community in many ways whilst others are out t work. You will only need one automobile, if that, depending on where you live. You will not need a lot of recreational equipment, because you can take the children to the park. You will need less expense on wardrobe. The cost of living will drop dramatically.

If Dad stays home, as long as there is a computer, he can still play his video games, and could even have a home job, as many stay-at-homes do, without its impinging on "quality time." Incidentally, "quality time" is any time spent with the children.

If Mom stays home, and perhaps has a little part-time computer job, she can tell the working women that she works, too—as if parenting/home management is not the biggest job in the world! More than that, she need feel no guilt in actually fulfilling the many demands that successful motherhood has put on women throughout the ages, which produced fewer neurotic children.

This will also relieve the shortage of volunteers, and more to the point of your question, solve the unemployment crisis.

-Encourage the government to provide child care allowances for stay-at-home parents, because this is an investment in the future, and will reduce the cost of public child care, welfare assistance, and the court system, which will be less clogged with divorce cases from over-stressed two-job families. Is it just accidental that most of the western nations which provide these payments (and some even provide free university education to those who qualify) have a healthy trade balance

Fourth, every human being - regardless of size, age, physical or mental condition - should be treated with respect from the moment of conception until the moment of death. A human being is *someone*, not *something*. Each person is a "Thou," a reflection of the Eternal Thou, God. Humans are to be loved and things are to be used, because humans are infinitely more valuable than things. But often the order is inverted. Things are loved and persons are used. This is a failure to understand the Scriptural view of the dignity of the human person. Scripture says, "Thou hast made him for a little while lower than the angels; Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor" (Hebrews 2:7). Human beings are not a little higher than the apes but a little lower than the angels.

Fifth, every human being is unique, precious and unrepeatable in value to God. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you," says the Lord to the prophet Jeremiah (cf. 1:5). Not only Jeremiah but every human being, from the moment of conception, is known and loved by God. This is what the psalmist means when he says, "O Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me" (Psalm 139:1). This is expressed well by the prayer of Saint Augustine: "You, the Omnipotent and Good, care for each of us as if each was Your sole care, and for all as for one alone! (*Confessions* 3, 11).

Sixth, a human being's value is derived from God, specifically, from being made in the image and likeness of God. Humans are valuable, then, because of who they are, not how useful they are to society. God's estimation of the value of the human person is what counts, not human-made standards of value. Some human philosophies teach that there is such a thing as a life that has lost all value and therefore is not worthy to be lived. But Christianity teaches that no human is worthless, regardless of age, size, mental or physical condition.

It is wrong to kill an innocent, weak and defenseless human being by abortion, because such a one is made in the image of God. For the same reason, it is wrong to kill a terminally ill or aged person. Human life belongs to God. He gives life and it is his prerogative to take it.

education to those who qualify) have a healthy trade balance, a surplus in the government's current accounts. Maybe, just maybe, promoting home life and advanced education really do produce a more productive electorate.

By The Revd Canon S.R. Sinclair, DD, OHI, SSC

CCCB President invites Canadians to oppose euthanasia

23 September 2009

As debate begins again in our country surrounding the question of euthanasia and assisted suicide, the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), Archbishop V. James Weisgerber, has recently issued a letter asking Members of Parliament and all the people of Canada to reflect on the possible consequences of Bill C-384, an Act to amend the Criminal Code (right to die with dignity).

While noting that those wishing to re-open this debate are no doubt motivated by concern for the suffering of others, the President of the CCCB casts doubt on those very motivations. "An unfortunate understanding of compassion has led them to suggest euthanizing the most vulnerable instead of providing them with proper care, effective pain control, and social, emotional and spiritual support until their natural death."

Citing the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Archbishop Weisgerber says that it is legitimate to use medication and other means to alleviate suffering, even if a side effect can be the shortening of life expectancy. He adds however that "what is never acceptable is the direct and intentional killing of the depressed, handicapped, sick, elderly or dying."

In a spirit united with the Bishops of Canada, the President of the CCCB invites:

The members of the Parliament of Canada – elected representatives in the House of Commons as well as Senators – to use clear definitions in their upcoming debates, and also to consider the profound impact that such legislation would have on the lives of individuals and on the wider community;

All Canadians to become better informed about euthanasia and assisted suicide, and to promote instead palliative and home care to help those in need and their care-givers;

Catholics, our brothers and sisters who belong to other Christian communities or other faiths, and all who appreciate the beauty and inherent dignity of life, to engage in this debate civilly and respectfully, so as to witness a profound reverence for the inherent dignity of each and all human life.

For further information on the Catholic perspective on euthanasia and assisted suicide, consult the following:

- Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute
- Catholic Health Alliance of Canada
- Catholic Organization for Life and Family

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