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**MARCH FOR LIFE—JANUARY 21, 2022**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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Father Joe's collection for the needy was a huge success and surpassed last years donations. We reached a total of \$9,710.00. Thank you all for your generous support for the parish. It is most appreciated.

Your Catholic Council wishes you and your families and a happy and healthy New Year.



# ABORTION

In January 1973, 59 years ago.....

The heavily Liberal Supreme Court issued a 7–2 decision ruling that the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution provides a "right to privacy" that protects a pregnant woman's right to choose whether or not to have an abortion. By definition, **Abortion** is the termination of a pregnancy by removal or expulsion of an embryo or fetus. Somehow, in its limited wisdom, the Supreme Court ruled that life begins 12 weeks after fertilization, the first trimester.

Let's look at the facts.

There have been close to 70 million abortions performed in the US alone since 1973, an average of over 1,000,000 per year.

Death is defined as the cessation of all vital functions of the body including the heartbeat, brain activity and breathing. The beginning of life is undefined – does life begin at conception or birth? Or somewhere else?

“Scientifically, something very radical occurs between the processes of gametogenesis and fertilization, the change from a simple part of one human being (i.e., a sperm) and a simple part of another human being (i.e., an oocyte usually referred to as an "ovum" or "egg"), which simply possess "human life", to a new, genetically unique, newly existing, individual, whole living human being (a single-cell embryonic human zygote). That is, upon fertilization, parts of human beings have actually been transformed into something very different from what they were before; they have been changed into a single, whole human being. During the process of fertilization, the sperm and the oocyte cease to exist as such, and a new human being is produced.”

At this time, the new human being requires the mother to help it along for about nine months. IT IS A HUMAN BEING, ALIVE. It is not a cancer, not a wart, or something that can simply be discarded like trash; it is a miracle provided by God, that deserves all the rights and privileges that any other human being is provided.

The Supreme Court ruled that anyone can get an abortion during the first trimester or the first 12 weeks after fertilization. After that it gets a little more complicated depending upon state laws and interpretations. Consider this:

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## Our Catholic Neighbors who passed during December:

**Stanley Yorko, Walter (Tom) Dowling, Alfred C. Cantino**

*“May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord let His face shine upon you. May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace.”*

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### Week 9-10

**All areas of his body are sensitive to touch. He sucks his thumbs, swallows, squints, frowns and puckers his brow. If his palm is stroked, he will make a tight fist.**

### Week 11-12

**He now has fingernails, toenails and working taste buds. He can also make all facial expressions, including a smile.**

### Week 13

**Although this baby was already a boy at fertilization, his sex is now identifiable.**

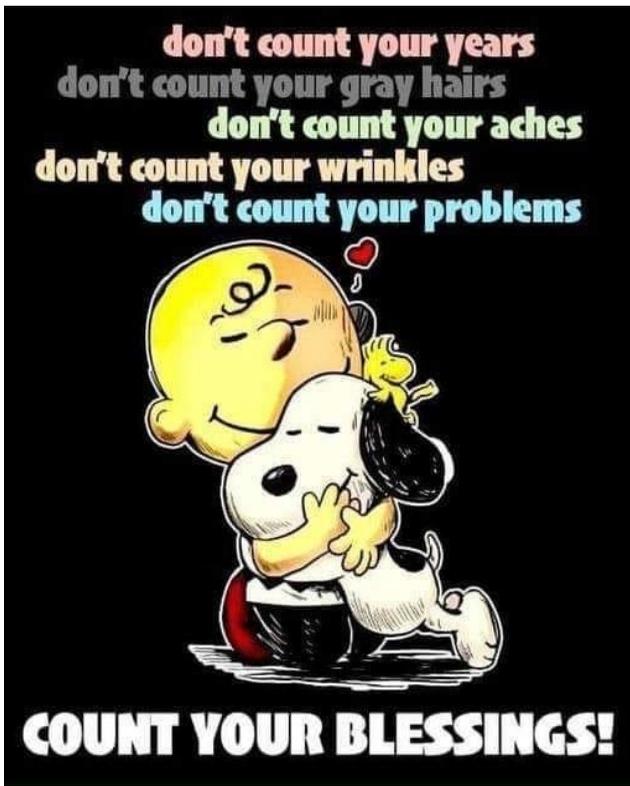
Think about this. A baby exists and is growing, and even smiling, but it still needs a mother to keep growing, just as it did at fertilization. He/she is another human being – absolutely no doubt about it. But we ‘allow’ the destruction (murder) of that human being.

Some states, like New York, are actually considering allowing abortions right up until birth. Think about that – a mother goes into labor and at that point decides she doesn’t want the baby, she can have it destroyed, killed.

Our Catholic Church believes that life begins at conception and abortion is murder. Our current president, Joe Biden, is a strong advocate of abortion and there is current debate within the church as to whether to allow him to receive communion. He is somehow able to choose what is right and wrong and ignore what his teaching and religion has taught him. Remember, what Moses brought down from Mt. Sinai were not the Ten Suggestions.

Every January, we have a March for Life on Washington to try to convince our political leaders to reconsider that fateful decision. Pray for them.

Bob Klimek



These resident volunteers make our  
Mass December:

**Celebrant** - Father Watson

**Sacristan** - Frank Noonan Cantor-Betty Matyas

**Altar Servers**—George Murray, Walter Kryzywicki

**Readings** - Joe Caputo

**Prayer of the Faithful** - Lisa Mullins

**Extraordinary Ministers** - Maria Burlein, Caroline Chambers, Fran Calahan

**Greeters** - Bea Dolan, Peggy Noonan, Barbara Masonis

**Gift Bearers** - Judy Coyle, John McSorley

**Technicians** - Ray Schwegel, John McSorley

**Liturgists**- Marge Devine /Judy McSorley

**Organist** - Betty Kingston **Social**—Charlie Reckner

**WEEKEND BUS SCHEDULE TO  
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD FROM**

**MASSES**

Saturday, 5 PM Sunday, 10 AM

RG	4:15	no stop
VC	4:30	VC 9:30
LC	4:35	LC 9:35
KC	4:40	KC 9:40

A \$3.00 fee per round trip will be collected.



**CATHOLIC COUNCIL  
FINANCIAL REPORT**

**November, 2021,**

**Opening balance** \$ 5,447.11

**INCOME:**

November Mass Collection \$ 447.00  
**TOTAL INCOME** \$ 447.00

**EXPENSES:**

Expenses October Mass \$ 39.95

**TOTAL EXPENSES** \$ 39.95

**NET INCOME** \$ 407.05

**CLOSING BALANCE** \$ 5,854.16

**LOCATION OF FUNDS**

Am. Heritage Bank Check Acct. \$ 5,329.16  
Restricted Funds 500.00  
Am. Heritage Credit Union 25.00  
**TOTAL ASSESTS** \$ 5,854.16

**YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**John McSorley, Ray Schwegel,  
Jim Morgan, Maria Burlein, Judy  
Coyle, Charlie Reckner, Bob  
Klimek, Bob Dunnigan, Fran  
Calahan, Caroline Chambers**