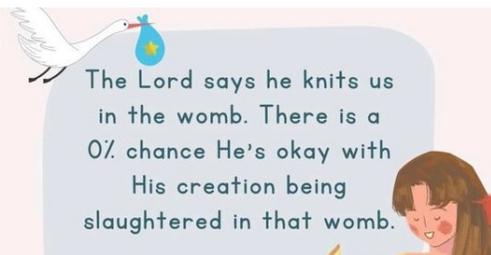


Life-Educated Corner

BABIES ARE VERY MUCH ALIVE IN THE WOMB



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You should have to watch a live abortion performed before you ever consider yourself "pro-choice."

Let's see how "pro-choice" you are after watching a baby's limbs pulled apart.



Randy Alcorn
August 17 at 9:55 AM

"Forcing" a woman to continue a pregnancy, which is a natural function of her body, is not barbaric or primitive, nor is it about pro-life men exerting control over women's bodies, as some claim. It's simply protecting the life of a woman's unborn child, even if she feels her pregnancy is a burden. And given that abortion harms women both physically and mentally, it's protecting her, too, though she may not immediately see it as such. In time, she will likely come to understand that her temporary burden was well worth it to know that her child was rescued from death, and now has a life to live. What's truly barbaric and primitive is unnaturally ending the life of a helpless baby in her mother's womb, which should be the safest place for a child. "Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked" (Psalm 82:4, ESV).

WHO IS MY CHURCH REP? Smithers Can Ref (Jessica Vandergaag) Smithers Christian Ref (Betty Bandstra) E-Free (Brandi Jaarsma) Bethel URC. (Brenda Ewald) Telkwa Faith URC (Jenny Vandenberg) Telkwa Community (Karen Fokkens) Baptist (Ed Schneider), MVA (Brigitte Kloosterman) **St. Joseph's Catholic church seeks a rep/liaison to help the board keep in touch with the Church community.**

Smithers Crisis Pregnancy Care Center



Free, non-judgmental support:

- Pregnancy Tests
- Pregnancy Choices Lay Counselling
- Maternity Care Closet
- Post Abortion Lay Counselling
- Sexual Education
- Community Referrals

- 🕒 Wed, Fri 11-2 or by appt. 250-847-2475
- 🌐 Website: smitherspregnancycares.com
- ☎️ 24hr Helpline: 1-877-88-WOMAN
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LOCAL UPDATE

BOARD UPDATE— The board has kept a low profile over the summer but September starts another year of promoting and educating about the precious gift of a HUMAN LIFE! If you can help, we would love to have another person join the board and lighten the load.

SHOUT OUT— A huge THANK YOU to **Brenda Ewald** who has now retired from the board after many many years of service. Thank you Brenda for your commitment to LIFE!

OFFICE MANAGER SITUATION— The Care Center is blessed to have **Marge Layfield** in the Center on Wednesdays. Brigitte Kloosterman keeps the cell phone and sets up appointments for Marge. When needed, Brigitte also meets with clients. The reward of the job is to be instrumental in saving the life of a baby. While we don't always learn the outcome, one mom has kept in touch and her baby is due in September. We anticipate "showering" her with helpful gifts.



WALK FOR LIFE

After a 2 year hiatus, we will be showing our town that DEFENDING LIFE still matters. Please participate and make it the largest ever!!

Date: October 1, Saturday

Time: 9:45 AM—11:30 AM

How: Meet at the St Joes parking lot to sign in, get your signs, receive instructions and be ready to walk by 10:00.

49 years in the making!

US Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade in historic ruling *The long-awaited victory for the pro-life movement means that abortion will be effectively banned in more than 20 states in the immediate future.*

Life Site News - The United States Supreme Court finally issued its ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization Friday, upholding Mississippi's 15-week abortion ban, overturning Roe v. Wade, and delivering the pro-life cause its most transformative victory since Roe unleashed nationwide abortion-on-demand in 1973.

Justice Samuel Alito delivered the opinion of the Court, which was joined by Justices Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett. The ruling declares Roe "egregiously wrong from the start." "Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences," Alito wrote. "The Constitution makes no reference to abortion, and no such right is implicitly protected by any constitutional provision." "Roe's constitutional analysis was far outside the bounds of any reasonable interpretation of the various constitutional provisions to which it vaguely pointed," Alito continued. "It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people's elected representatives."

Chief Justice John Roberts wrote in a separate opinion concurring in the judgement that he supported leaving the Mississippi ban in place but would not have overturned Roe. The Court's three Democratic appointees filed a joint dissent.

The long-awaited ruling was teased in early May when Politico published a leaked draft of Alito's opinion, which sent shockwaves across the political spectrum, with pro-lifers tentatively rejoicing, pro-abortion politicians and activists lashing out in anger, many speculating that the leak may have been intended to pressure judges to flip their votes (or to incite hatred and threats against them), and all parties wondering if it was the final decision or subject to change. That the final decision to overturn Roe held firm despite months of left-wing pressure and violence reflects a majority of the justices' commitment to the principle articulated in May by Justice Thomas, that "we can't be an institution that can be bullied into giving you just the outcomes you want."

The ruling holds massive ramifications, both immediate and long-term.

More than 20 states currently have laws on the books that would effectively ban abortion within their borders upon Roe's fall, from pre-Roe abortion bans that went unenforced to "trigger laws" designed not to take effect until a ruling like today's. In those states, abortion will now be illegal. Another 15 states plus the District of Columbia have laws on the books legally protecting abortion, three of which explicitly codify the practice as a "right." For now, abortion will remain legal in those jurisdictions, as well as the remaining states that have not spelled out abortion's status one way or another, but without Roe state residents now have the power to vote on the issue for themselves, or lobby their elected representatives to change the law in either direction. Pro-lifers in Congress can now pursue a nationwide abortion ban, as well.

Therein lies one of the decision's biggest long-term ramifications: **a newfound sense of urgency for pro-life efforts.** Now that abortion policy can be directly decided through the elected branches of government, and politicians can no longer invoke the judiciary as an excuse for inaction, abortion related legislative and lobbying efforts are certain to increase dramatically across the country, with the issue prioritized even higher by activists and voters alike.

Additionally, the pro-life victory is, for conservatives, the most welcome result yet from former President Donald Trump's nominees to the Supreme Court, and is all-but guaranteed to become one of his supporters' most potent talking points should he make another run for the White House in 2024.

coming up!

January	-Sanctity of Human Life Day
February	-movie night -40 DAYS FOR LIFE!
March / April	-March 8: Women's Day -AGM -fundraiser: dessert night
May	-March For Life (Ottawa) -Mother's Day
June	-Euthanasia made Legal -Garage Sale -planning for next year
July/August	- Fall Fair Parade float
September	-Walk for Life
October	-Breast Cancer awareness -Oct 15 Infant Loss Day
November	-educational movie night -membership drive
December	-fundraiser: Bake Sale



What will happen in Canada? The Conservative vote is coming up soon and we look forward to see if members are voting mindful of LIFE issues! The basic right is the human right to life and it is the basis of all others!