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Smithers Prolife Society Newsletter

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Smithers Crisis
Pregnancy Care Center

🕒 Tuesday 10 -1:00 or
by appt. 250-847-2475

🌐 Website:
smitherspregnancycares.com

☎ 24hr Helpline:
1-877-88-WOMAN

🌐 Crisis Website:
www.onlinecare.ca

Free, non-judgmental support:

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

you don't have to go
through this **alone**

Wishing a HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

To all women who
have blessed our
world with children
and to those who
have embraced the joys & trials of motherhood.



Between Houston and Smithers, ELIZABETH SUTCLIFFE spoke to 4 student groups and 3 adult groups. Her personal story was a testimony to the damage of abortion and the grace of Jesus. And thanks to the success of the AGM dessert auction, travel and all the speakers fees plus the prolife resources for students were all covered.

NEW LOCATION for Pro-life Garage Sale



WHERE: Smithers Christian Reformed Church GYM (Side Entrance) on 4035 Walnut Dr.

DONATIONS accepted on Friday, June 5 after 5:30pm

SALE is on Saturday June 6 from 8:00 to 11:30 am.

CALL / TEXT Jenny VDborg to help. 250-847-0910 jenitavdb@outlook.com

Morality by What Standard? Full Article

at: www.breakpoint.org/morality-by-what-standard/ co-authored by Andrew Carico

The prophet Isaiah warned, “Woe to those who call evil good and good evil.” A modern example, is the “moral incoherence” of believing life is sacred and valuable while also rejecting any consequences for those who take it.

A more recent 2025 Pew Research report described the moral confusion about life in even starker terms. Entitled “What do Americans Consider Immoral?” According to their data, “47% of Americans say having an abortion is morally wrong, while about half say an abortion is not a moral issue (31%) or is morally acceptable (21%).” In the 2022 *Dobbs* Supreme Court decision, the Court overturned *Roe* on a legal technicality, rather than on the basis of a created, moral order that establishes that every human life is sacred. Because the Court returned the question of legality to the states, the issue of abortion is now handled in a way like popular sovereignty. The *Dobbs* decision was a major victory for the pro-life movement, but because the Court failed to declare abortion morally wrong, some states have now enshrined it as a basic human right.

Where does that leave us in 2026? Like with slavery the United States is fundamentally divided state by state on a question of essential moral status and incredible moral gravity. In such a setting, these words from C.S. Lewis, on the moral decay of culture, are just as appropriate as when he wrote them: “For my part I believe we ought to work not only at spreading the Gospel (that certainly) but also at a certain

preparation for the Gospel. It is necessary to recall many to the law of nature before we talk about God. For Christ promises forgiveness of sins: but what is that to those who, since they do not know the law of nature, do not know that they have sinned? Who will take medicine unless he knows he is in the grip of disease? Moral relativity is the enemy we have to overcome before we tackle *Atheism*.”

The ongoing debates about abortion and a myriad of other contemporary issues—from gender dysphoria and the LGBTQ crusade to Critical Theory and immigration—underscore the importance of returning to and answering **the basic moral questions: Is there a transcendent moral authority? By what standard do we judge what is right and wrong? Is every human being valuable or not?**

Christians believe that God is the ultimate standard for all morality above any traditions, values, laws, norms, or majority opinions. By this objective moral standard, revealed in both natural law and biblical revelation, all actions and policies can and should be measured. That requires not only pushing back against the moral relativism that has captivated hearts and minds, and still pervades contemporary culture, but also appealing to and upholding God’s clear moral standards amid vast moral confusion.

(News In Canada: Making abortion a Human Right was recently attempted in Quebec, School Trustee Barry Neufeld was fined \$750,000 for defending the God created order of Male and Female, St. Paul’s Catholic Hospital is now in court because they refused a euthanasia request and Bill C-9 will make it illegal to apply God’s WORD to moral questions.)

No Abortion Law since Jan 28, 1988

Pro-life Board Members

Chair: Betty Bandstra
Secretary: Kathy Dobrenski
Treasurer: Marian Adema
Memberships: Anne Adema
Fundraising: Jenny Vd berg
Media: Kris Huxtable
Care Center: Brigitte Kloosterman
Political Liaison : Rod Taylor

CALENDAR

January

-Sanctity of Human Life Day

February

-Last call for Memberships

March / April

-Movie Night

-March 8: Women’s Day

-AGM/dessert fundraiser

May

-March For Life (Ottawa)

-Mother’s Day

June

-Euthanasia legal 2016

-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

ONE-DAY CONFERENCE
“MOVING FORWARD, TOGETHER”
NETWORK, LEARN, MOBILIZE WITH SOME OF THE
BRIGHTEST, MOST EFFECTIVE PRO-LIFE ACTIVISTS
IN CANADA.
\$75 PER PERSON / STUDENTS FREE

Cameron Cote Angelina Ireland Doug Sharpe Ellis Carlson

KELOWNA, BC AND MORE!
Saturday, June 13th
11 am - 8 pm

BC Life

bclifefnetwork@gmail.com to Register

CHURCH REPS

St. Joseph’s Catholic Church
Elisabeth Vanderhorst
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Jessica Vandergaag
Smithers Christian Ref
Betty Bandstra
E-Free Kathy Dobrenski
Bethel URC Brenda Ewald
Telkwa Faith URC
Jenny Vandenberg
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