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## Priests for Life cuts ribbon at new Florida HQ: "Today, we start a new chapter"

By Leslie Palma-Simoncek

Priests for Life Communications Director

Titusville Vice Mayor Matt Barringer lived on Staten Island, N.Y., for a year so he knows a few things about the smallest borough of New York City. The bagels are different in Central Florida. "Not better, not worse," he said. "Just different." And the bridges do not require such high tolls!

Barringer had an opportunity to show off his Staten Island knowledge on April 28, when he spoke at the grand opening celebration for Priests for Life, which relocated its main office from Staten Island to Titusville in September 2017.

Quoting Thomas Jefferson when he said the "preservation of life" is the most important function of government, the vice mayor said, "We in Titusville stand by these core principles and we welcome the organization Priests for Life, and its members and associates, with open arms to our community. We as a city wish you prosperity in your efforts."



Rep. Bill Posey (R-8th) and Florida State Rep. Erin Grall also attended the ceremony, and Carol Fondo of the Titusville Chamber of Commerce brought along a giant pair of scissors to help cut the ribbon outside the building at 5211 South Washington Ave.

In his remarks, Congressman Posey said the right to life

"is an important civil right" that should be seen as "a current-day, modern-day civil right just like the others", and he thanked Father Frank Pavone, Priests for Life national director, and his organization for "fighting the horrible injustice" of abortion. Ms. Grall, who introduced a bill in the Florida legislature to protect unborn children from dismemberment abortion, noted that her district (54) is located just an hour and 10 minutes away from Priests for Life headquarters.

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## Priests for Life Hires Additional Social Media Developer to Take Online Presence to New Levels

Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life, announced today a new phase of the social media growth of the Priests for Life Family of Ministries. "We are proud to welcome on our staff a new colleague who will bring to new heights our social media outreach. Robert Collins will serve on our team full-time, working closely with our Youth Outreach Director, Bryan Kemper, who oversees our social media outreach, and with our entire social media team. Rob has a proven track record in social media, including through his very successful Facebook page "Catholicity."

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## Priests for Life offering Voter Training Seminars

How can you advance the culture of life in this year's important midterm elections?

How can you effectively mobilize your fellow citizens to vote in an informed, responsible way?

What is the message of the Catholic Church to voters?

Please join us for online Vote for Life Campaign Training Seminars which Priests for Life will present, and learn the answers to these questions. There will be several seminars between now and October online and on the ground, and we encourage you to attend as many as possible. Online webcasts will be held from 9 to 10pm ET on Mon July 16,

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“I look forward to continuing this fight with all of you,” she said.

Rev. Keith Capizzi, pastor of Club Zion Community Church in Cocoa Beach, and Rev. Larry Linkous, pastor of the New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Titusville, also made remarks during the 45-minute ceremony under a hot sun in the front parking lot. Pastor Linkous declared that he has “become a fan” of Priests for Life, and that anyone who spends time with this ministry and its leadership team will likewise become fans, because of the focus and passion that Priests for Life demonstrates. Alveda King, director of Civil Rights for the Unborn for Priests for Life and a niece of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, led the “Pledge of Allegiance” and the singing of the “Star-Spangled Banner.”

In his remarks, Father Pavone called the battle to end abortion “the fundamental moral imperative” facing Americans today. “This ministry exists precisely to bring about that awareness and the action that needs to flow from that awareness,” he said.

Priests for Life is a family of a dozen ministries that reach out to youth, the African-American and Latino communities, priests and other clergy, seminarians and lay people. Priests for Life is a registered Non-Governmental Organization at the United Nations and has close contact with the Vatican through its office in Rome. Rachel’s Vineyard, the world’s largest ministry for healing after abortion, is part of Priests for Life, and the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, a mobilization of thousands of women and men who speak publicly about their abortion regret, is a joint project of Priests for Life and Anglicans for Life.

Janet Morana, executive director of Priests for Life and Silent No More’s co-founder, oversaw every detail of the year-long renovation of the 20,000-square-foot building and organized the opening day festivities for some 150 people with the help of the newly hired local staff.

“We have been able to hire top-notch people from Titusville and other communities, and we are still looking to hire more people for key positions,” she said. “And we always need volunteers.”

More than 40 pro-life leaders from as far away as California and Washington State gathered with Father Pavone and his pastoral team for a four-hour strategy session following the ribbon-cutting. Dinner followed in the outdoor patio of the former Patch building.

“If we have a facility, you have a facility,” Father Pavone told the pro-life leaders and pastors. “Today, we start a new chapter.”

A slightly edited version of this article was printed in the Hometown News.

## ***Priests for Life Hires- continued from Page 1***

We look forward to significant new growth on our Priests for Life platforms.”

Priests for Life has already made a significant mark in social media, with dozens of different platforms on multiple apps, which can all be seen at [www.ProLifeSocialMedia.com](http://www.ProLifeSocialMedia.com). Because Priests for Life is a family of ministries, incorporating

works like Rachel’s Vineyard, Silent No More, the work of Evangelist Alveda King, and more, we network people on social media through each of these specific efforts.

Moreover, Priests for Life, through its work serving the other leaders of the pro-life movement, has assisted many organizations to develop their social media presence, and has facilitated joint action among pro-life groups to increase their effectiveness.

“This is the beginning of a new chapter of our work,” Fr. Frank explained. “Pro-choice commentators like Robin Marty have already publicly acknowledged that the pro-life side does a better job at mobilizing people on social media. Now, that trend will accelerate even more.”

Rob, on joining Priests for Life this week, wrote the following message:

Hello! I am very excited to be coming on board with Priests for Life as the Social Media Manager. I’d like to share a little about myself, my past, and my passion. I was born in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, but have the rare privilege to have dual citizenship, as my father was an American citizen when I was born. I feel like James Bond with two passports.

After graduating from high school, I spent three years discerning a vocation to become a Roman Catholic Priest at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, British Columbia, Canada. This time was very pivotal



for me, as this formative Benedictine education I received would become the core of my adult life. In the seminary, I started a seminarian pro-life prayer group, and at a conference for priests, deacons and seminarians in Steubenville, Ohio, I ran into Fr. Frank Pavone. His passion and his words changed my life. From then on, I knew that wherever life took me, I would do whatever I could to end abortion and the culture of death.

After discerning that God was not calling me to the priesthood, I met and married my beautiful wife Heather. We have two amazing little girls, Mary Faustina (11) and Gianna Maria (9). My family is very active in our faith and devoted to the pro-life cause. We have done many sidewalk prayers at abortion mills as a family and have a daily social media ministry dedicated to promoting pro-life. My wife is a prolife artist and a devoted homeschooling mother.

I have been working with social media management for over a decade and personally reach over 50 million people on my various social media platforms. I have run hundreds of campaigns and multi-platform strategies in both corporate and ecclesial circles. I have been working with Fr. Frank Pavone and Fr. Stephen Imbarrato on my social media platforms, which they post regularly on. I am now honored to be able to do this full time with Priests For Life and have the opportunity to bring their prolife social media to the next level. My goals for Priests for Life are HUGE! I embark in this position with a drive and determination that will promote the culture of life and touch millions of people, bringing the Priests for Life message to the masses. - May 20, 2018

### *...Voter Training Seminars continued from Page 1*

Thu Aug 9, Tue Aug 21, Mon Sept 10 and Wed Oct 24. The in-person seminars will be offered in Lancaster, PA on Fri Aug 3, Troy, MI on Fri Aug 17, Cincinnati, OH on Wed night Sept 5 and Thu morning Sept 6, and at our Florida headquarters in Titusville on Saturday, Sept 8 and again on Sept 29.

Find more information and sign up at [www.ElectionWebcast.org](http://www.ElectionWebcast.org).

Each seminar will have a core of similar material but also some differences such as:

- 1) Different special guests for each seminar;
- 2) A shift in focus on various election activities, depending on how close we are to Election Day;
- 3) Varying commentary based on any new resources or developments in the news.

The seminars will review  
What the Church teaches about political responsibility  
How to evaluate the issues  
How to educate and mobilize voters  
What Churches and tax-exempt groups can do about elections  
How to understand the differences between the party platforms ([www.VotingInfo.net](http://www.VotingInfo.net))  
Distribution of voter guides  
Voter Registration and Early voting  
How to get people to the polls on Election Day  
How to activate and inform other voters online  
And much more...

Visit [www.ProLifeVote.com](http://www.ProLifeVote.com).

### **New Zealand/Australia – “Social Justice Begins in the Womb” Tour**

By Bryan Kemper, Youth Outreach Director

No sooner had I landed after 40 hours of traveling from Dayton, OH, to Auckland, New Zealand, than I was already getting ready to board another flight to my first stop on our speaking tour. I grabbed a coffee at the airport with Kate Marie Cormack from Voice for Life New Zealand and Hillary Keift from Hillary’s Law and we boarded a flight to Whangarei.

We started with a luncheon and talk for local pastors. I was greeted with a traditional Maori greeting and welcome songs. The Maori are the indigenous people of New Zealand and have a wonderful rich culture. The Maori hosts sang praise songs and prayed for me before my talk. It was an amazing way to start the tour.

After a great time with the pastors and an evening talk to the general public, I was feeling extremely encouraged by the reception we had there. Over the next seven days it was early morning flights to each city for lunch meetings with pastors and local leaders, then evening talks in each town.

My second day I was treated with a trip to the Hobbiton where “Lord of the Rings” and “The Hobbit” were filmed, then flown to North Auckland for my second evening talk. I was blessed to see a local pastor and his church so open to host a pro-life event and embrace the message and urgency of the movement. A young woman came with her two children and told us her eyes were opened that night and she has been going crazy on social media since – a very loud

voice for life.

My third stop was in Taranaki on the North Island. This was honestly one of the most humbling and special nights of my life. After I spoke I was brought back up on stage where the local Maori people honored me with a ceremony draping me with a Maori Korowai, a traditional cape made of feathers reserved for Chiefs, Elders and Dignitaries. I was prayed over and given the Korowai as they embraced the message of life. I also met a young Maori girl named Rawinia who caught fire that night for the unborn. Her mother and her were friends of one of my hosts, Hillary, and have committed to being very involved with pro-life.

The next four nights I was in Hawks Bay, Dunedin, Wellington and Christchurch, where we had amazing meetings with local pastors and filled-to-capacity evening events. Every stop was crowded with people who were excited to get involved with the pro-life movement in New Zealand and wanting to know how they can be more active. I talked to a lot of people about social media activism as well as other ways to get involved with local groups like Voice for Life and Hillary’s Law.

Each night Kate would share about Voice for Life and its projects, including a summer internship for young adults that she helps run. Hillary would tell the story of her daughter being taken from school for a secret abortion and her subsequent suicide attempt from depression after the abortion. I was honored to be joined by these two women who are committed to the pro-life cause and volunteered their time to go on this whirlwind tour with me.

Our last stop was Christchurch where I got to see some old friends, including the parents of Andy Moore who first brought me to New Zealand years ago and has since moved to the U.S. He works full-time with the Susan B. Anthony List as a social media manager and contributes so much to the pro-life movement.

I departed New Zealand the next morning to fly to Melbourne, Australia, to meet up with Kathy Clubb, the mother of former Stand True intern Josh and an active Missionary of the Gospel of Life (the pro-life spirituality program of Priests for Life). Kathy and I joined two members of Parliament from Victoria, Australia, for lunch at Parliament. We met with Bernie Finn and Rachel Carling-Jenkins to discuss the pro-life movement in Australia and in the U.S. Bernie hosted me several years ago for a dinner and the March for Babies there in Melbourne.

That night I gave a talk in Melbourne for Youth for Life Australia and again was excited to see so many old friends from past visits there as well as a couple of friends from Ireland who are part of Youth Defence in their country.

I had such an amazing time Down Under and cannot wait to go back and fight alongside of these amazing people for the end of abortion. It’s always so encouraging to see groups from other countries and to experience their resolve to end abortion.

Oceans may separate us but we are joined in spirit and passion for life.

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## Resources for the 2018 Elections

### Abolishing Abortion

Fr. Frank calls us all to sacrifice everything to rise up to the most urgent, top priority moral challenge of our day: To end abortion.

### Voting with a Clear Conscience brochure

Explains our moral obligation to vote and take an active role in the nation's political process.

### Ten Responses to Pro-Abortion Politicians brochure

Answers the worn-out arguments often used by pro-abortion politicians.

### Election Prayer for Life prayer card

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-  [facebook.com/SilentNoMoreJanet](https://facebook.com/SilentNoMoreJanet)
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