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2017 Activism Summary**

March for Life, Washington DC

The year started aptly enough with the Washington DC **March for Life** and four key events surrounding the March for Life itself. The day before the March, I organized and MC'ed a **protest/rally at the DC Planned Parenthood** attended by over 200 people with two dozen national and local pro-life leaders speaking and leading us in prayer. This was the first of over a half dozen trips I made to DC throughout the year to do activism and networking. While in DC for the March, I assisted at the **National Memorial Prayer Service**, celebrating Mass and assisting at the service the morning of the March. After the March, I gave my post-abortion testimony for the third time at the **SilentNoMoreAwareness** event at the steps of the US Supreme Court. The Sunday before the March, I was also the keynote speaker at a **Knights of Columbus dinner in Bethesda, Maryland**.

Washington DC Activism

As stated, I went to Washington DC over a half dozen times for activism, organizing, and networking. Much of the activism was at the **Washington DC Planned Parenthood**, but I also lead prayer activity at the **Steven Brigham Women's Health** abortuary that opened in DC in 2017.

I regularly attended conservative and pro-life meetings throughout the year and spent time visiting elected legislators on Capitol Hill.

During the summer and for the rest of the year, I celebrated several Masses at the EWTN DC headquarter Chapel. I appeared in two EWTN TV segments, one on **EWTN News Nightly** and once on **EWTN Pro-life weekly**. In February I was involved in a "Protest Planned Parenthood" procession from the Supreme Court to the DC Planned Parenthood that was counter protested by more than 50 pro-abortion activists. On Ash Wednesday, I had the good fortune to minister ashes to **President Donald Trump's General Counsel, KelleyAnne Conway**. In total, I led or participated in approximately two dozen pro-life events in Washington DC over the course of the year 2017.

Media

With Executive Director, Janet Morana, I co-hosted the taping of another 13 episodes of *Defending Life*, our television series on EWTN.

Numerous other televised masses and interviews were conducted during the year on multiple media outlets.

Summer Activism

I attended three pro-life Summer Camps, all in the month of July. I was spiritual director of two **Vox Vitae Catholic Camps** in California; one in Alhambra and one in Silverado. In addition to giving spiritual direction, I celebrated Mass for the young people every day and spoke on a variety of topics including abortion activism and post-abortion healing.

Sandwiched between these two camps, I also was the chaplain for the **Survivors Activist Leadership Youth Camp** held this year in San Francisco. I also celebrated Mass each day, led prayers as well as gave talks and participated in activism events.

Parish Weekends and Missions

January: Arroyo Seco, New Mexico; Parish Weekend
February: Metuchen, NJ; Parish Weekend
March: Lyndhurst, NJ and Snowflake, Az; Parish Lenten Missions
October: Lakeport, Ca. and Lexington Kentucky; Parish Weekends
Dallas Texas; Parish Weekend
November: Dayton, Ohio Parish Weekend

Banquets and Other Pro-life Events

January: Silver Spring, Maryland Pro-life Kickoff Rally
February: Metuchen, New Jersey Life Choices Banquet
March: Albuquerque, NM Pro-life Mass; St Bernadette Parish
April: Prayer Breakfast and Congressional Press Conference, Albuquerque, NM
Divine Mercy Weekend, Boston and Medford, Ma... Eucharistic Procession, Masses,
various pro-life events
May: RTLNM Fundraiser Lunch, Socorro, NM
St Gerard Pregnancy Center Mass and Blessing, Hartford, Ct.
June: Chicago Activist Meeting
August: Manchester, NH Planned Parenthood Vigil and pro-life Lunch
September: Alexandria, Va Red Rose Rescue
October: Lexington, KY Fatima Event and Rosary Rally
Dallas Tx Pro-life Mass and Talk
November: Dayton, OH Eucharistic Procession, 40 Days for Life
Delaware RTL Banquet