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Janet Morana of Priests for Life keynotes Palm Beach Diocese conference

During a keynote address to the Palm Beach Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, Priests for Life Executive Director and Silent No More co-founder Janet Morana urged its members to be willing to ask tough questions about abortion to family members and friends who say they are pro-choice.

She told the women to cut through the euphemisms used to describe abortion and to ask, instead: Are you in favor of killing a baby that has a heartbeat? Are you in favor of abortion when the baby can feel pain?

The theme of the annual conference was "Be The Voice," an encouragement for women to speak the truth about abortion, including chemical abortion. The federal government and mainstream media say the at-home procedure is safe and private but Mrs. Morana offered some facts to counter that narrative.



Janet Morana and Theresa Watson with Bishop Gerald Barbarito, Bishop of Palm Beach at the Catholic Women of Faith Conference for which Janet was the speaker.

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*Please pray, through the intercession of Padre Pio, that Pope Francis reverses his decision and reinstates Father Frank's priestly functions. PrayerCampaign.org
Meanwhile, he continues leading this ministry fulltime with the unanimous support of our Board.*

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"We are finding from the testimonies from the Silent No More Campaign and Rachel's Vineyard that women are more traumatized by chemical abortion than the surgical abortion. Why? Because all the guilt is on them. They are taking the drugs," she said. "It is very, very traumatizing, and the chemicals are dangerous for them."

Mrs. Morana also urged the attendees to carefully consider how they respond when they hear that a young woman has become pregnant.

"We must stop saying 'crisis pregnancy.' Don't frame it as a crisis," she said. "A baby is a blessing, an unexpected blessing."

Bishop Gerald Barbarito celebrated mass and delivered the homily at the Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola in Palm Beach Gardens. A news story about the event appeared in the diocesan newspaper, Florida Catholic.

Janet Morana, Fr. Begany to lead Mexico City pilgrimage

Priests for Life Executive Director Janet Morana and one of our most active priests, Father David Begany, SSJ, will lead an 8-day pro-life pilgrimage to Mexico City and the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in October. She is the Patroness of the Unborn and of the pro-life movement.

Pilgrims will learn about the Plaza of the Three Cultures, an outdoor space that symbolizes the unique blend of pre-Hispanic and Hispanic cultures that make up Mexico. A visit to the Church of Santiago Tlatelolco, where St. Juan Diego was baptized, will precede a tour of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine, built in response to Our Lady's request to St. Juan Diego. Pilgrims also will see the tilma, St. Juan Diego's cloak on which the image of Our Lady is imprinted.

Other highlights of the trip will include a chance to climb (or not!) one of the tallest pyramids in the world; a tour of the Puebla region, famous for its beautiful churches; and visits to many churches throughout the region.

Also leading the tour will be Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Ellen Holmes Steeves-LeBlanc, co-hosts of The Prodigal Life podcast.

Select International Tours is arranging the land travel. Pilgrims will have to make their own way to Mexico City on October 2. The cost is \$2,395 per person, with a \$500 deposit due by June 30.

For information, see www.PriestsForLife.org/pdf/mexico2023.pdf or email margot@select-intl.com.

Silent No More, Priests for Life represented at March for Life in Canada

Silent No More Co-founder Janet Morana made her customary trip to Canada in May to take part in the National March for Life there. This year's theme was Stand Firm and participants spoke not only of protecting the unborn but also the elderly and infirm who are increasingly targeted for death under Canada's euthanasia laws.

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Mrs. Morana and Angelina Steenstra, national campaign coordinator, took part in the candlelight vigil that annually precedes the march and the Rose Dinner that follows.



Janet Morana, left, next to Angelina Steenstra, Silent No More Canada coordinator on Parliament Hill at the Canada March for Life

Members of the Silent No More campaign in Canada gave their testimonies on the steps of the Parliament building in Ottawa and took part in the march itself.

"While we are celebrating the overturning of Roe v. Wade in the U.S. and working to save as many babies as we can," Mrs. Morana said, "pro-life Canadians are still dealing with a taxpayer-supported procedure performed throughout pregnancy and without limits."

When Roe was overturned last year, the government of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said our northern neighbor would welcome any American woman who wants to cross the border to have an abortion. But what some abortion-minded Americans are finding is that Canada's socialized medical system features long waiting periods.

Abortion was first legalized in Canada in 1969. Chemical abortion has been legal there since 2015.

Priests for Life leaves imprint on Heartbeat conference

Heartbeat International marked 52 years of life-saving work at its annual conference, held this year in Louisville, Kentucky.

Priests for Life National Director Frank Pavone and Executive Director Janet Morana led a workshop on how the reversal of Roe v. Wade last year has impacted youth and the work of pregnancy resource centers.

Priests for Life's executive manager, Theresa Watson, and the resource department's Rico Cairme staffed our ministry's booth and enjoyed the chance to network with attendees and attend some of the keynotes and classes.

"We look forward to taking part in the Heartbeat conference every year," Pavone said. Mrs. Morana added that the pregnancy help movement has grown in importance since Roe v. Wade was overturned and many states banned nearly all abortions.

"Women who might have immediately chosen abortion now have a minute to breathe and consider all the options," she said. "With the help of pregnancy centers, more women can see a clear path toward choosing life."

In their workshop, Pro-life Leader Frank and Janet showed how the reversal of Roe can make young people more aware that they are abortion survivors. The workshop drew upon the insights in Janet's latest book, Everything You Need to Know About Abortion - For Teens.

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The counseling in the pregnancy centers also has a new advantage, namely, that the client is less subject to people insisting that the abortion is her "constitutional right." Rather, the post-Roe climate is now one in which those who defend or push abortion have to do so on the merits of the procedure rather than on some invented right that should not be infringed. And the bottom line is that the abortion procedure has no merits on which to stand.

Heartbeat International currently serves more than 3,000 affiliated pregnancy help locations, maternity homes, and non-profit adoption agencies on all six inhabited continents.

New course for Rachel's Vineyard retreats focuses on physical aspects of trauma

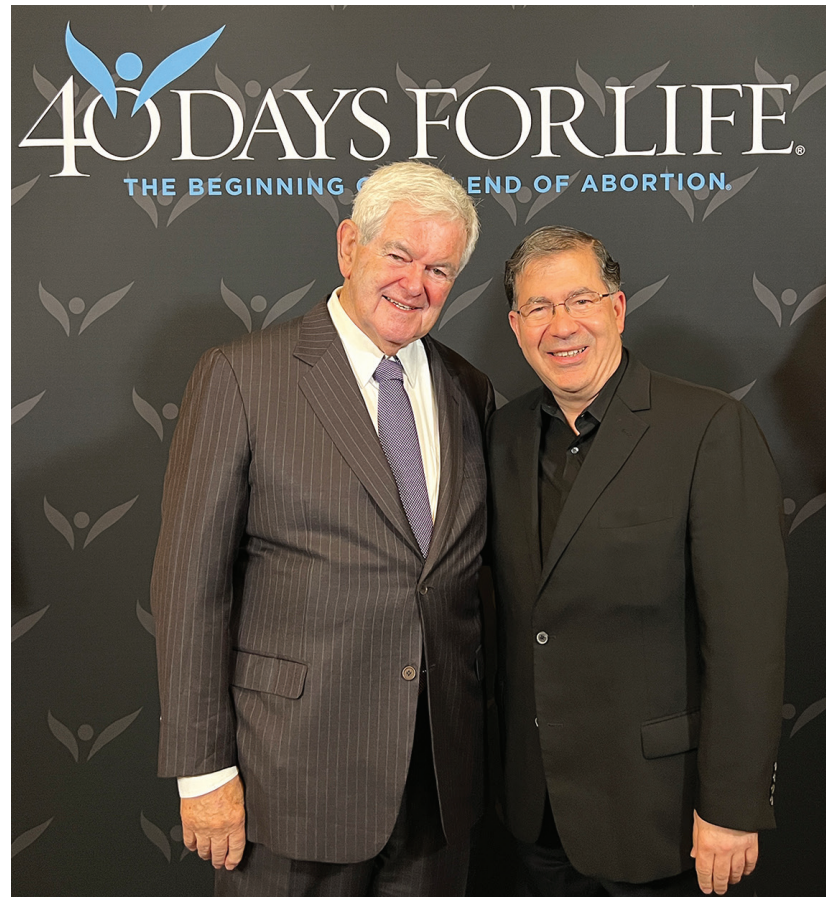
Rachel's Vineyard founder Dr. Theresa Burke was in Tulsa, Oklahoma in April to train Rachel's Vineyard and Grief to Grace team members, retreat facilitators, and volunteers in a new course she created called Somatic Approaches for Insight, Recognition, Representation, and Release.

The class addresses the hidden trauma that resides in the body in connection with an earlier psychological trauma.

Demonstrations showed trainees how to incorporate a somatic approach into retreat work. Movement Therapy also was introduced.

In May, Dr. Burke met with a pastor, deacons and parishioners of St. Stanislaus Catholic parish in Lansdale, Pennsylvania to give them an overview of the ministry's work. The presentation included the history of Rachel's Vineyard as a grassroots ministry; an outline of the retreat weekend, its purpose and methodology, and a Living Scripture exercise.

As Rachel's Vineyard released its final roster of classes this month in its virtual Leadership Conference, officials announced that they are continuing to look for presenters who can offer expertise in healing after abortion and can lead a course that could be added to the conference library.



Pro-life Leader Frank Pavone with Newt Gingrich at the 40 Days for Life Gala in April in The Woodlands, TX

Dynamic Pro-life Unity

Pro-life Leader Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life, and Board Member Alveda King recently wrote an article together that was published in LifeNews.com about their work over the years in bringing pro-life leaders together for strategy sessions and friendship.

You can find this and many other articles at www.PriestsForLife.org/library. Here is an excerpt:

Leadership in the pro-life movement, as the two of us have been privileged to exercise for decades, needs to humbly respect that fact. Fostering unity in our movement does not mean demanding a cookie-cutter conformity to particular methods or messages carefully crafted by PR firms.

The Left does this kind of thing as it tries to impose "equity" on society - that is, a sameness of outcomes rather than an equality of opportunity. This squelches creativity and initiative. If an entrepreneur realizes that the fruits of his or her labor will belong to government and be equally distributed, or that positions in a company are being opened up because of skin color rather than achievement, what incentive is there for the creativity and hard work that success requires?

More conservative minds, however, advocate for ingenuity and free-market competition. Everyone has a chance, but where they end up depends on the hard work they do.

And unity in the movement means welcoming the fruits of that labor, and enabling groups to communicate with each other effectively, and combine efforts where possible, while respecting one another's autonomy.

Praise for our Work

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"Fr. Frank, I love the way you teach. So full of the Holy Spirit!" - Prose

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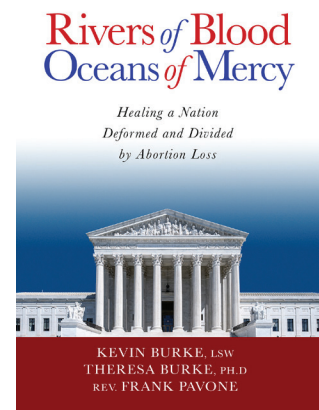
Please leave us your prayer intentions, as many as you have and as often as you like, at PrayerIntentions.org, and we will remember you in our prayers and Masses! ProLifePrayers.com is our main prayer website. Visit there often for prayer campaigns, intentions, and resources.

June intention: That the fathers of aborted children may have the courage to make use of Rachel's Vineyard to find healing.

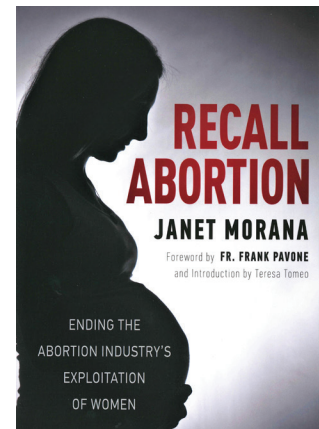
June 10-18: Father's Day Novena (www.PrayerCampaign.org/FathersDay)

June 26-July 4: Prayer of Thanks for our Nation's Independence (www.PrayerCampaign.org/IndependenceDay)

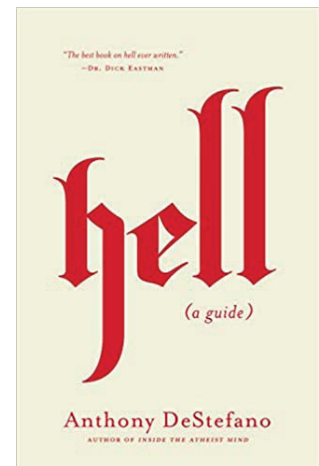
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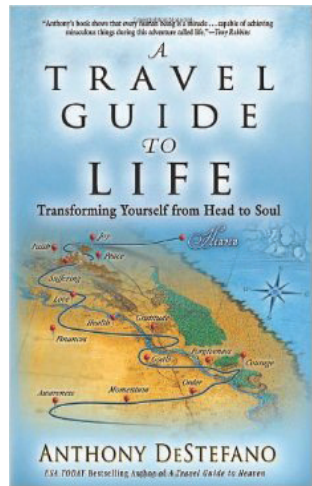
Rivers of Blood | Oceans of Mercy: Healing a Nation Deformed and Divided by Abortion Loss
This book by Theresa Burke, Ph.D., Kevin Burke, LSW and Frank Pavone lifts the veil on reproductive rights, and reveals how the fallout from more than 60 million abortions extends far beyond the private sphere of a woman's personal healthcare decisions.



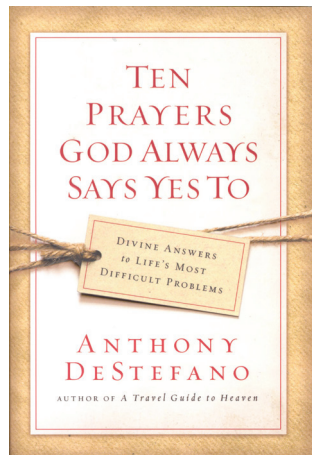
Recall Abortion
Janet Morana delves deeply into abortion as a bad product that should be recalled by our government, and explores what women who have abortions recall about the experience.



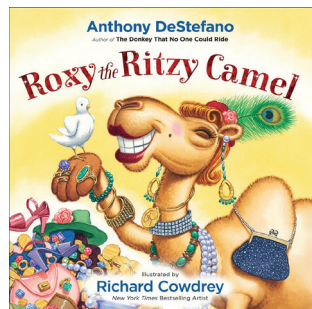
Hell (A Guide)
Anthony DeStefano takes us on an exploration of hell, the devil, demons, and evil itself. Written with clarity, logic, and vivid storytelling.



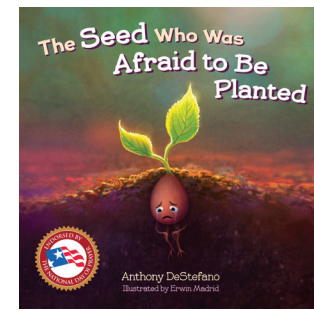
Travel Guide to Life (hard cover)
Anthony DeStefano offers hope and optimism to everyone—committed Christians as well as struggling doubters, agnostics and even atheists—whether we've lived exemplary lives or are sinners who've lost all hope.



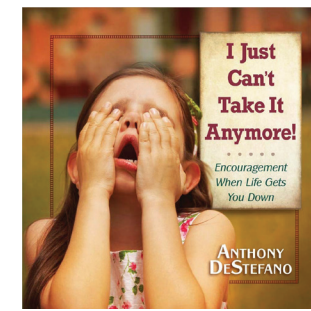
Ten Prayers God Always Says Yes To
Anthony DeStefano offers readers a refreshing look at this evergreen topic by focusing on 10 prayers God "always" answers. Why don't people take advantage of prayers that work? One big reason is that they are so caught up in prayers that don't always work.



Roxy the Ritzy Camel
Anthony DeStefano brings the vain and possession-loving Roxy the camel to life to demonstrate the familiar Bible verse: It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.



The Seed Who Was Afraid To Be Planted
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