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Father Frank presides at burial of 2411 abortion victims

Father Frank Pavone made a last-minute trip to Indiana in February to be present and to help lead the prayers at the burial of 2,411 abortion victims whose remains were found on properties belonging to a deceased abortionist.

He wrote this reflection as he returned from that trip:

"On the same day a congressional panel convened in Washington to discuss a radical abortion law pushed by the Democrats, 200 people gathered in Indiana to bury thousands of tiny broken bodies. These babies had their lives stolen by abortion, and their dignity violated by an abortionist who kept their bodies for reasons we will never know.

I am grateful to Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill Jr. for organizing and being present at the burial and for sharing his remarks. I was honored to lead the opening prayer and the prayer of commendation. The bodies - too numerous to fit into one casket - had been placed earlier directly in a burial vault.

As I stated in my remarks, the fact that we had a funeral brought us face to face with the humanity of these babies. We don't have funerals for concepts or things, we have them for human beings. They were murdered in secret but honored in the bright light of day.

With Monica Miller of Citizens for a Pro-Life Society, Priests for Life led an effort to name every child who was buried yesterday. And in fact, Priests for Life has unveiled a project to name every baby killed by legal abortion since 1973. It is called "Name the Children" and can be found at www.NameTheChildren.org.

Ms. Miller was at the South Bend service, as was Eric Scheidler of the Pro-Life Action League. Our three organizations, since 2013, have organized the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children on the second Saturday in September, during which memorial services for aborted babies are held at gravesites like this one around the country.

The tragedy of these 2,411 babies cannot be
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Fr. Frank Pavone blesses grave of 2411 aborted babies in Indiana after leading funeral service prayers.



The gravestone of the aborted babies.

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forgotten, nor can the fact that a similar number of children are killed by abortion every single day in our nation. We need an end to legal child murder."

Janet Morana delivers a pro-life message during Mardi Gras in New Orleans

Executive Director Janet Morana enjoyed New Orleans-style hospitality while spreading a pro-life message during a weekend at St. Dominic's Parish there.



Janet Morana, Executive Director of Priests for Life, at St. Mary's Dominican High School.



Janet addressed the 10th annual St. Dominic Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Luncheon and Baby Shower at St. Dominic's Parish in New Orleans.

The trip was arranged by Father Scott Daniels, OP, former full-time associate of Priests for Life who is now parochial vicar at the Dominican parish.

Janet spoke to the women of the St. Dominic Knights of Columbus Auxiliary during the annual luncheon and baby shower. After her talk, the group - one of the largest crowds ever to attend the event - kept Janet busy answering questions on a wide variety of pro-life topics.

"The audience was very engaged," she said.

Janet also spoke to about 50 young women from the pro-life club at St. Mary's Dominican High School, where she gave out copies of Father Frank Pavone's book "Ending Abortion" and other Priests for Life literature.

She also gave a talk after Communion at all the weekend Masses.

"I was able to give a lot of information in a short time," she said. Her message touched on the fallacy that abortion is a woman's choice and spoke about the reality that most women have abortions because they feel they have no other choices. She spoke about the healing that Rachel's Vineyard provides for moms and dads who have lost children to abortion, and the powerful testimonies of the women and men of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign.

A highlight of the trip was being invited to dinner at the home of Judy Legett-Martin, a founding member of Louisiana Right to Life. There she learned that Mardi Gras is not just a celebration the day before Ash Wednesday, but a whole season.

Many pro-life leaders were in attendance, including New Orleans regional coordinator for Silent No More, Bobbi Jones.

Janet was recognized wherever she went from the two shows she hosts on EWTN - The Catholic View for Women and Defending Life. Even Irene DiPietro, owner of the iconic

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Irene's restaurant, recognized Janet as soon as she saw her.

"It was such a blessed trip," Janet said. "Father Scott did a great job keeping me busy and making sure his parishioners heard a strong pro-life message."

"And this is how Priests for Life has served the pro-life movement for three decades. We are present to the people who are dedicated to the unborn. We equip them, encourage them, and help them keep their pro-life work connected to their faith. And in turn, we are always inspired by them," Janet concluded.

See more information and photos from the trips of our Priests for Life team at www.PriestsForLife.org/Frontlines, and to invite a speaker, visit www.PriestsForLife.org/Speakers.

Reflections on Black History Month 2020

By Evangelist Alveda King

Pastoral Associate and Director of Civil Rights for the Unborn

Sitting across from President Trump during a round-table discussion during African-American History Month, I smiled as he asked the group gathered whether we would like to be called Black or African-Americans. As one, we replied: "Black!" As a group, we went on to explain that while the reasons are complicated, the terms are acceptably interchangeable.

What was most compelling about the honor of sitting with the president of the United States and my powerful and motivated peers was the air of transparency in the room. President Trump is an active listener and a consummate communicator. The atmosphere was charged with hope and vision. Our ethnicity was there in the White House, for all to see!

With the commemorative month now behind us, "over the moon and back" would describe the events of February 2020. Presidential pardons, clemency, fair-housing seminars, round-table talks and more marked this incredible month-long - plus one day for Leap Year! - observance of Black achievement.

With President Trump, our most pro-life president ever (see ProLifePresident.com), at the helm, there are even brighter days ahead, especially for our babies in the womb.

After the round-table discussion I attended with other Black leaders, President Trump, joined by First Lady Melania Trump, spoke at a jam-packed White House reception honoring African-American History. The celebration this year coincides with the 150th anniversary of the 15th Amendment, which prevented states from keeping people from voting based on race or color, including those who had once been held in slavery.

President Trump noted that throughout America's journey, Blacks have enhanced - and advanced - every aspect of American life.



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"Their fight for equality, representation, and respect motivates us to continue working for a more promising, peaceful, and hopeful future for every American," the president noted in his 2020 National African-American History Month Proclamation.

I am honored to have had the opportunity to pray with our President, to hear his heart for the success of America, and to encourage and celebrate all his "promises made and promises kept" for Blacks, for the unborn, for all of us.



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Again, it's not adding a penny to what you are spending at Amazon. It's simply you telling Amazon to send some of their profit to Priests for Life!

And that's something to smile about!

A Doctor's Story about Protecting Babies Born Alive After Abortion

By Leslie Palma

Director of Communications

Dr. Rocco Pascucci was a first-year pediatric resident at a teaching hospital in Monmouth County, New Jersey in the early 1980s. One day while working in the intensive care nursery, a cleaning woman came to him with a message he has never forgotten. "She told me there was a baby crying on the garbage can in the little treatment room," he recalled.

He went into the four-by-four room where medications were kept and found a tiny baby wrapped in a hospital blanket. The baby had been left on top of a big metal garbage can and he was crying.

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Janet Morana with Charlotte Pence, daughter of Vice President Mike Pence, discussing the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, of which Charlotte was well aware.

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Not stopping to wonder why the child had been abandoned there, Dr. Pascucci did exactly what you would expect a doctor to do: he put the baby in a warmer, put him on oxygen and inserted a line into his umbilical artery, which is how premature babies receive nutrition and how health-care workers check blood gases. The care the infant received was standard for any premature baby.

After the baby was stabilized, "a high-risk OB/GYN came in and yelled at me," Dr. Pascucci said. "He told me I had just saved an abortion. He got into a huff and walked out."

As Dr. Pascucci later learned, when the baby survived the abortion, a second-year resident determined he was under 24 weeks' gestation and was not viable. Nurses told him it was **standard procedure** to leave these babies on the garbage can until they died!

It was Dr. Pascucci's impression that **this was not a rare occurrence**.

"The cleaning lady knew it," he said. "The nurses knew it."

He believes the boy was older than 24 weeks but small for his age, possibly the result of his mother smoking or using drugs during pregnancy.

"The resident said his eyes were fused, but this baby's eyes were not fused," Dr. Pascucci said. "He was looking right at me."

Dr. Pascucci's intervention saved not only that boy's life, but other babies who would survive abortion in that hospital.

"After the OB yelled at me, I went to the head of pediatrics to talk about what happened," he said. After that, these tiny survivors were given the care they needed.

Republican Legislators in the states as well as in the US House and Senate are trying to fill the gaps in the law where babies in these situations do not have adequate protection. Bills like the "Born Alive Abortion Survivor Protection Act" would protect these children by provisions that the doctor bring them to a hospital for appropriate treatment.

Sadly, and to most Americans, inexplicably, Democrats are consistently opposing these efforts, and in some states, even removing protections that are in place for such babies - who, let's remember, have been **born alive and are outside the mother's womb**.

Because of Democrat opposition, this legislation has not yet made it to President Trump's desk. But he is eager to sign it and has been urging Congress to pass it.



Christine Ballor (left) of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign set up a table at the "Bringing America Back to Life" convention on March 6-7 in Independence, OH. Karen (right) is new to Silent No More and this was her first experience being Silent No More in public. She plans to be in Washington next year for the March for Life. They were able to speak to a lot of people about the mission of the Silent No More Awareness Campaign and Fr. Frank's new booklet, "In the Heart of His Mercy" was very popular.

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Dr. Pascucci has been watching with interest from New Jersey, where he has since retired from his practice and serves on the Holmdel Township Committee.

I came into contact with Dr. Pascucci when I was living in Holmdel and concerned about its lack of a fire department. He answered my email right away, and we got into a discussion about my work in pro-life. He told me his incredible story. When I contacted him again and asked him to go public, he didn't hesitate.

"I'm not super religious or even a big Republican," he said. "But these are our brothers and sisters, and we're killing them. If they are born alive, we should try to save them. It's simple. It's humanity."

Although Dr. Pascucci never again met the boy he found on the garbage can, he did keep up with his case. The boy suffered from no long-term health problems as a result of his unorthodox early delivery and was placed with an adoptive family, all thanks to a compassionate hospital housekeeper and a new pediatrician devoted to saving young lives. Most bills introduced and debated on Capitol Hill are matters of prudential judgment, sometimes quite complex, where people committed to the same principles can disagree about policy, and work out those disagreements by what is ultimately a process of trial and error.

But not this time.

When the decision to be made is whether to protect a baby or not, the policy is the principle. "Life and death" is not a choice of prudential judgment. What the doctor said about what he did also applies to what the Senators need to do: "It's simple. It's humanity."

Praise for our online presence...

The praise below came from watching our live broadcasts available at EndAbortion.TV and the other platforms linked from there.

"I happened to catch your Facebook live session tonight. You are a true inspiration!! ..Thank you... a million times thank you!!!! The Holy Spirit is always working. I needed to hear you tonight... and there you were!! You have restored my hope that all is not lost and I am on the right path. The fire is burning in my soul to get started in my first ever 40 Days for Life campaign on Ash Wednesday." - Mary

"Thank you so much for allowing me to spend a Holy Hour with the Lord. This pandemic has allowed me although in lock down mode in an assisted living facility to go on retreat and spend my day with the Holy Trinity." - Joan

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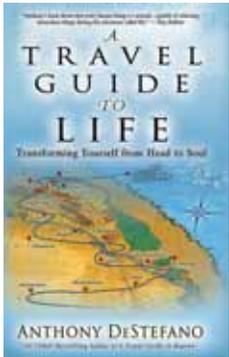
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