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At SupremeCourtVictory.com, and in future issues of this newsletter, you'll find in depth analysis of the *Dobbs* Supreme Court decision on abortion. The arguments in the case have made clear how untethered the so-called "right to abortion" is from the Constitution and from American history. They also make clear how much has changed since *Roe* – in law, in medicine, and in culture – to undermine the claim that abortion is in any way "necessary" for women to be successful in society.

And the arguments are a much-needed lesson in the structure of American government, reminding us that legislators, not Courts, make laws in America. The difference between a member of Congress, who wants to continue serving, having to run for re-election every two years, and a federal judge who has a lifetime appointment, is the difference between being accountable to the people because your job is to shape the policies under which they live, and being unaccountable to the people because your job is supposed to have nothing to do with your policy preferences. A judge is not supposed to make law, but is expected only to judge the consistency of existing law with the Constitution.

Reaction to the *Dobbs* case has been predictably strong.

It's interesting that the pro-abortion forces decided to picket the homes of the Justices and disrupt Church services, rather than to peacefully engage the state legislators. This is because in *Roe*, they were handed the "right to abortion" on a silver platter, like spoiled children, rather than being required to engage the painstaking

back-and-forth process of public debate, persuasion, lobbying and lawmaking, like mature, adult Americans do. Instead, seeing the Supreme Court taking that "right" away, they continue to behave like the spoiled children they are.

As for attacking Churches, it's because the abortion clinic is their Church, the "right to abortion" is their dogma, and abortion itself is their sacrament. So in their view, if we attack their religion, they attack ours.

But what about the impact of all this on the midterm elections?

Some Democrats think that the pro-abortion reaction to the Supreme Court on abortion will help them in the midterm elections.

It won't.

And that's because of four simple reasons:
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Fr. Frank Pavone in the Priests for Life studio on an interview with Dr. Sebastian Gorka for his Newsmax show "The Gorka Reality Check"

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1. The agitated abortion supporters are extremists who are already voting for Democrats, if they're voting at all.
2. Abortion extremism is not a winning issue with voters. Significant portions of the American electorate – even among those who identify as Democrats and “pro-choice” -- want serious limitations on abortion, especially in the latter months of pregnancy.
3. Changes in abortion policy do not take away or replace the anger of voters at the way Democrat policies and weak, incompetent leadership on other issues have made life miserable.
4. Pro-life voters are far more motivated than pro-choice voters on the matter of abortion, as revealed by polling before and after elections in the last several cycles.

Considering the increased activity on the state level regarding abortion legislation in both directions, the midterms of 2022 provide an important opportunity to motivate pro-life voters to pay closer attention to the elections of their state legislators. There are so many people who vote only for president, or only for federal candidates. Now is the time for each pro-life person to get to know who represents him or her in the State House and the State Senate, who is running in 2022, and where they stand on abortion. Get involved in the races and in educating your fellow voters on what kind of pro-life legislation is a good next option for your state, and what these candidates are willing to do about it.

At Priests for Life, we can provide such information. Stay connected to ProLifeVote.com.

Prayer for Our Nation By Fr. Frank Pavone

The blessings we give thanks for as we celebrate Independence Day each year are many, and warrant a celebration that lasts throughout the year. I have come to realize that more than ever as I have been part of the MAGA movement, the greatest political movement in American history, which helps us to grasp more deeply and build upon more effectively the principles on which our nation was founded. We give thanks not only for material possessions and for freedom, but for the *vision* behind them. The vision is that “men might live as one”; the vision is that all will be

welcomed, as the Statue of Liberty symbolizes; the vision is that “all are created equal”; the vision is “liberty and justice for all.”

It is a vision that we do not merely look back on, thanking God that our Founding Fathers had it. It is, rather, a vision which is “a task for today and a promise for tomorrow.”

This is why the pro-life movement is so American. It is a movement striving to achieve *welcome* for those of whom Roe v. Wade spoke when it said, “The word ‘person,’ as used in the Fourteenth Amendment, does not include the unborn” (Roe at). Roe *excluded*; the pro-life movement *includes*. Roe made the circle of persons in America *smaller*; the pro-life movement seeks to *expand* it.

I invite you to join us at Priests for Life in praying throughout the year the prayer I wrote of *Thanks for Our Nation's Independence*. It incorporates some of the prayers of the liturgy for Independence Day.

God our Father, your Son Jesus spoke to us a message of peace and taught us to live as brothers and sisters. His message took form in the vision of our Founding Fathers, as they fashioned a nation where all people might live as one.

This message lives on in our midst as a task for us today and a promise for tomorrow.

We thank you, Father, for your blessings in the past, and for all that, with your help, we must yet achieve.

Bless our nation and bless each of us. As we thank you for our independence, may we extend its blessings to our youngest brothers and sisters, the children in the womb.

Hasten the day when our nation will be a nation with liberty and justice, not just for some, but for all, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stand True launches redesigned website

Stand True, the youth outreach ministry of Priests for Life, recently launched a redesigned website.

The site, at StandTrue.com, incorporates the look of

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the cover of *Pro-Life is the New Punk Rock*, the new memoir by Stand True founder Bryan Kemper. Visitors to the site can easily navigate it to order a copy of the book or purchase one of Bryan's original pro-life T-shirt designs.

The social media dropdown menu has memes and Tweets that visitors are welcome to post on their own platforms. Visitors also will find answers to pro-abortion arguments; commentary and poetry written by Mr. Kemper; pictures of abortion victims and commentary written by guest



Fr. Frank Pavone leads prayer at the Policy Summit of the America First Policy Institute , April 2022.

authors, including Father Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life.

The "In Action" dropdown features photos and information on Mr. Kemper's pro-life travels and speaking engagements. The "Swag" menu leads to Priests for Life's full pro-life store at ProLifeProducts.org. The site also features a donate button and a search function.

"I am so excited by this new site, and grateful for all the hard work that went into creating it," Mr. Kemper said. "It does a great job of highlighting what we do and what we can offer. I invite visitors to let me know what they think of the site."

PrayerIntentions.org and ProLifePrayers.com

Leave us your prayer intentions as often as you like at PrayerIntentions.org and we will remember you in our prayers and Masses! Visit ProLifePrayers.com for prayers and resources.

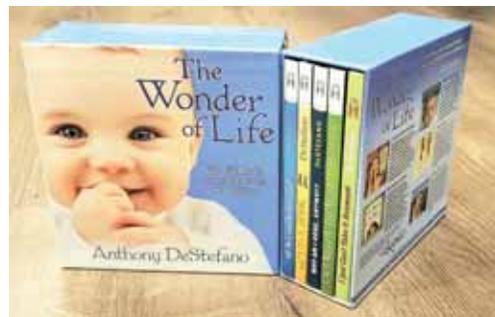
July intention: That many will dedicate some of their leisure time to pro-life activity

Featured Products

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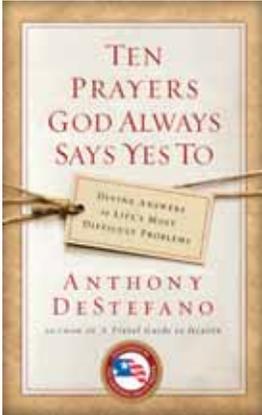


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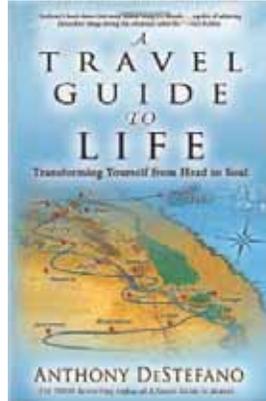
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This children's book by Anthony DeStefano brings the vain and possession-loving Roxy the camel to life to demonstrate the familiar Bible verse: It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.

The Puppy That No One Wanted
by Anthony DeStefano is a children's book that tells the tale of a scraggly, smelly little puppy who never loses hope that one day he will find a home of his own with a family to love.

The Seed Who Was Afraid To Be Planted
by Anthony DeStefano is a children's rhyming book that tells the story of a seed who lives in fear of being removed from the drawer where he lives happily with other seeds.



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