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## WAYNE COUNTY CHAPTER NEWS

January 2025

Hello Pro-life Heroes,

We commemorate multiple annual Chapter events in January. There is also one new event this year, *LIFESPAN*'s very first restaurant fundraiser. Fliers are included in these notes.

On **Wednesday, January 22 at 6pm**, we mark the sad anniversary of legal abortion in the United States with the annual **Rose Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church** in Plymouth. If you have never been, it is truly a beautiful and inspiring evening. We are in great debt to the Life Ministry group at Our Lady of Good Counsel. For Christians who are not Catholic, the Rose Ceremony within that Mass is well worth the time. We would love to speak with any church about hosting a Rose Ceremony of your own. Ideal times for a Rose Ceremony would be close to Mother's Day, Father's Day, or during Respect Life Month in October.

In what began as another solemn commemoration of the *Roe v. Wade* anniversary, on **Friday, January 24** several churches within Wayne Chapter continue to mark the night of the National March for Life by lighting **Luminaries for Life** with the message, "*It is better to light one candle, than to curse the darkness.*" To order luminaries, please call or email the Chapter Office 734-422-6230 or [wcd@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:wcd@rtl-lifespan.org) by Thursday, January 16.

In between roses and light, please join *LIFESPAN* on **Thursday, January 23** anytime from **11am to 9pm** to enjoy delicious Detroit-style pizza and salad at **Buddy's Pizza in Livonia**. **Mention LIFESPAN when you order** for dine-in, carry-out, or delivery and 20% of the proceeds will return to the Chapter. If you read last month, you know there is a backstory here. There was an unfortunate miscommunication which led to the original date of December 18 being cancelled the day before December Church Notes were published. Thanks to extra efforts from *LIFESPAN* President Diane Fagleman and Buddy's corporate leadership for going above and beyond to fix the dilemma, we are back on for January 23! Given this backstory, it is of vital importance that we show Buddy's and our community that *LIFESPAN* supporters will take action to support the cause, even if that action is simply enjoying a slice of pizza. So please strongly encourage members of your church community to participate! It is also a great opportunity to offer to bring in lunch for your pastor and church staff and show your gratitude for the church's continued support of *LIFESPAN* events.

### Winter 2025 Office Hours

Monday 9am-3pm; Wednesday 9am-3pm; Thursday 9am-3pm; *Closed Jan. 20 for MLK Day*

*God bless and keep you! Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

Yours for LIFE,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Timothy Pruse".

Timothy Pruse  
Wayne County Chapter Director

*"It is better to light one candle, than to curse the darkness"*

### 2025 LUMINARIES FOR LIFE CANDLE KITS

Please solemnly commemorate the reality of 52+ years of legal abortion in the State of Michigan in January by Lighting candles for the preborn babies lost to abortion. We have much work to do and know that even a small flame of light will show the way.

Candles will be lit on the evening of Friday, January 24th to mark the National March for Life.

The kits include the bag, the candle, and an instruction sheet.

Place your order for Luminaries for Life by calling the LIFESPAN office, 734-422-6230. Please place orders by Thursday, January 16, 2024. Donations are appreciated to help us cover the cost of the supplies.

We thank you and your faith community ahead of time for participating in this loving project!



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## Wayne County Chapter Church Notes January 2025

### January 4-5: *Right to Life – LIFESPAN*      *Physician-assisted Suicide & Cost Control*

The most frightening problem with legal physician-assisted suicide (PAS), **Cost control**, was raised by Jason Negri at the 2024 Pro-Life Legislative Luncheon. Cost control will lead insurers and medical providers to default to PAS because it will **always** be the **cheapest** option available. People will be made to feel they are a burden to society. This cost control bias behind PAS is as clear as day in Canada, even in their VA system. Current society is trending in favor of PAS. **Those of us in opposition must form coalitions.** Disability rights groups in our communities are often very strong advocates for protecting the vulnerable and pro-lifers must make common cause with them. Make a resolution to help defend life from PAS for the elderly, infirm, sick, and disabled by calling 734-422-6230 to become a *LIFESPAN* member in 2025.



### January 11-12: *Right to Life – LIFESPAN*      *Roses & Light: Upcoming Events*

Everyone is invited to join us on **Wednesday, January 22** at 6pm for the 2025 **Rose Mass** at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth. The Rose Ceremony during the Mass features volunteers carrying roses up to a cradle in front of the altar in remembrance of the lives lost for every year abortion has been legal in Michigan since 1973 while a short reflection is read. Plan to join us for our restaurant fundraiser at Buddy's Pizza in Livonia on **Thursday, January 23**. The 2025 **National March for Life** takes place on **Friday, January 24**. Many in Wayne County will mark that evening by setting out **Luminaries for Life** in remembrance of all victims of abortion in the United States. If you or your church desires to participate in 2025, please contact the Chapter Office this week to order luminaries at (734) 422-6230 or [wcdcr@rtl-lifespan.org](mailto:wcdcr@rtl-lifespan.org).



### January 18-19: *Right to Life – LIFESPAN*      *Have a Slice for Life this Thursday!*

Join *LIFESPAN* for our first Restaurant Fundraiser this **Thursday, January 23** from 11am-9pm at **Buddy's Pizza** on Plymouth Rd. in Livonia. **Mention Right to Life- LIFESPAN when you order** dine-in, carry-out, or delivery and 20% of proceeds will help us protect life from conception until natural death! There is a longer backstory, but we thank Buddy's for going the extra mile to collaborate with us and we thank you in advance for enjoying great pizza for the great cause of life! A quick reminder, the Rose Mass is January 22 and Luminaries for Life are displayed January 24. Visit <https://milifespan.org> for more information.



### January 25-26: *Right to Life – LIFESPAN*      *PAS with No Conscience Protections*

To conclude our reflections on the evils of Physician-assisted Suicide (PAS), Jason Negri's sixth problem with PAS is the lack of conscience protection. In many cases, PAS provides no exemptions for physicians who conscientiously object to PAS. Michigan's SB 681, which thankfully expired without action at the end of the last legislature in 2024, did include some conscience protections for doctors, but provided **no conscience protections at all for nurses, pharmacists, or other health care personnel.** Beware an effort by the Culture of Death to bring a ballot proposal to legalize PAS in Michigan in 2026. For those interested in becoming pro-life community leaders and spokespeople on end-of-life issues, *LIFESPAN* will be sponsoring an upcoming intensive training session led by Jason Negri. Stay tuned for upcoming details.



Join two Detroit originals for a *Right to Life-LIFESPAN* Wayne Chapter **Restaurant Fundraiser** at Buddy's Pizza in Livonia.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 23**  
**11:00am-9:00pm**

**Mention *Right to Life-LIFESPAN* when making your dine-in, take-out, or delivery order and 20% of the proceeds will return to *LIFESPAN* Wayne Chapter to educate the community on human dignity from conception until natural death!**



**Buddy's Pizza**  
33605 Plymouth Rd., Livonia, MI 48150  
(734) 261-3550  
(734) 261-3550



**2025 Rose Ceremony:**

*A Mass for the Pre-Born*

**Wednesday, January 22 6pm Mass**



Commemorating 52 years of legal abortion in Michigan and *65+ million preborn lives* lost due to abortion in the USA.



**Our Lady of Good Counsel**

47650 North Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information or to host a Rose Ceremony at YOUR church, contact:

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