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CANTON

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* Date: TBD

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* Five Weeks of Lenten Giving

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DEARBORN

St. Alphonsus-St. Clement, 13540 Gould

DEARBORN HEIGHTS

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St. Sabina, 25555 Ann Arbor Trail
* Before all Masses on March 7-8

FARMINGTON

St. Fabian Church, 32200 W. 12 Mile Rd.

GARDEN CITY

St. Thomas the Apostle, 31530 Beechwood
* March Collection

LAKE ORION

St. Joseph Church, 715 N. Lapeer Rd.

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Four Winds, 31840 W. 7 Mile Rd.
* Sundays March 1 & 8
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St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh Rd.
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* Sunday March 2nd 7pm (Traditional)
* March 7 - 8 (Drop Off)

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* Month of May

NORTHVILLE

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St. Mary, 730 S. Lafayette Ave.

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 280 E Square Lake
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St. Thomas More, 4580 Adams Rd.
*April

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* Feb 7-8 & Feb 14-15

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Trump Meets With Catholic Bishop Who Defended Denying Communion to Pelosi

By Steven Ertelt

President Donald Trump met Monday with Archbishop Paul Coakley, the newly elected president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and a staunch defender of pro-life principles.

Coakley once applauded denying Communion to former House Speaker Nancy Pelosi over her support for abortion.

The White House meeting focused on areas of mutual concern, including immigration enforcement and Venezuela's sovereignty, according to a statement from the bishops' conference. It marked an early engagement between the Trump administration and Catholic leadership, offering potential for collaboration on issues like protecting the unborn.

Coakley, archbishop of Oklahoma City, was elected to lead the bishops' conference in November 2025. He has been outspoken on life issues, notably supporting San Francisco Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone's 2022 decision to bar Pelosi from receiving Communion due to her advocacy for abortion access.

"I applaud the courage of Archbishop Cordileone and his leadership in taking this difficult step," Coakley said at the time. "Let us continue to pray for Abp. Cordileone, priests of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, Speaker Pelosi, for the protection of the unborn, and for the conversion of hearts and minds."

In a statement after Monday's meeting, USCCB spokesperson Chieko Noguchi said Coakley also met with Vice President JD Vance and other officials.

"Archbishop Coakley had the opportunity for introductory meetings with President Trump, Vice President JD Vance, and other administration officials, in which they discussed areas of mutual concern, as well as areas for further dialogue," Noguchi said. "Archbishop Coakley is grateful for the engagement and looks forward to ongoing discussions."

Coakley, appearing on CBS News' "Face the Nation" on Dec. 21, 2025, expressed optimism for cooperation.

"I think we have opportunities to work together. We have opportunities to speak frankly with one another," Coakley said.



Archbishop Paul Coakley (LifeNews.com)

Upon his election as bishops' conference president, Coakley called for prayers in his new role.

"I'm humbled by the trust which my brother bishops have placed in me by choosing me to serve as president of our episcopal conference," he said on X. "Once again, the Lord is inviting me to put out into deep waters in calling me to accept this service and burden of leadership today. I accept it in faith and with great hope. Please pray that I may be a faithful steward and a wise servant of unity and communion with our Holy Father, Pope Leo, and with my brother bishops and priests."

- *LifeNews.com, January 13, 2026*

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LIFESPAN Chapter News

Sustainability

Our efforts to restore respect, protection and dignity to all human life have known some outstanding successes and some sad failures. There have been many such events because we have been working at this for 56 years. And, believe it or not, that is a problem.

In the beginning, our members were filled with energy, determination, and dedication. But that was a long time ago and many of our original members are no longer with us. Other issues have arisen and drawn the attention of members away from life issues. This is to be expected.

With longevity comes sustainability—and that creates a real problem.

Regrettably, we have not achieved our goals. In some ways the passage of time has made it even more difficult. It is not that pro-life people are less pro-life, but rather we are drawn toward other things—and that threatens the sustainability of our efforts and our

organization. We have become comfortable with what has been accomplished and fail to realize what still needs to be done.

Yes, we have a long history, but we are not finished yet! We must remain sustainable or we will fail. To be sustainable we need your help. I am asking that you look at the label on the newsletter you are reading. See when the last time was you renewed your support of LIFESPAN—and if it is not in the last twelve months, I am asking that you help us be sustainable. There are so many things we still need to do. Please help us.



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A Review of Chemical Abortion and Abortion Pill Reversal

Sixty-three percent (63%) of abortions last year were chemical abortions according to the pro-abortion Guttmacher Institute. That works out to over 600,000 chemical abortions a year in the United States. Some people mistakenly view chemical abortion as somehow a more acceptable or humane form of abortion. Wrong! Chemical abortion is a process involving two pills with the end result being the starvation death of a child in the womb who is then expelled. In Michigan, a woman can legally procure a chemical abortion through telehealth without a single in-person visit and it is not even required that an M.D., D.O., or even P.A. writes the prescription. The first pill in a chemical abortion is mifepristone. Mifepristone blocks the hormone progesterone in a woman's body.

Blocking progesterone causes a breakdown in the uterine wall and cuts off blood and nourishment flowing from mother to baby. This "more humane" procedure literally starves the child to death. The second pill misoprostol is taken 24-48 hours later to expel the starved child from the womb. The mother is then instructed to expel the child at home in the bathroom. Painful cramping and heavy bleeding are common physical side-effects. The non-physical side effects can be worse as the mother will typically see the remains of her deceased child in the toilet after he or she is expelled. Abortion activists no longer seem to

find issue with this legal modern "back-alley abortion".

An unplanned pregnancy can be startling and lead to a rushed and stressed decision to abort. Out of 600,000 chemical abortions annually, thousands of women instantly regret this decision. In these cases, chemical abortions can be reversed! Medically sound and safe Abortion Pill Reversal is possible. After the dose of mifepristone blocks the natural occurring hormone progesterone in a woman's body, Abortion Pill Reversal simply provides a boost of progesterone to override the impact of the mifepristone and prevent the starvation of the child if started in time. The Abortion Pill Reversal hotline can be reached 24/7 at 1-877-558-0333.

Do the young women in your life know that you would love and support them unconditionally to bring a child into the world whatever the circumstances of an unplanned pregnancy?



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If you know me, you know that I love to send greeting cards—and if I know you—you have probably received one!

Yesterday, I was looking at Valentines Day cards. There were some for parents & grandparents, children, spouses, friends and lovers. Each card was filled with a loving message.

I began to think of our Wee Care moms--does anyone tell them that they are loved?

The mom in the homeless shelter--

The mom who is anxious now that she has chosen to continue her pregnancy--

The mom who is frightened not knowing how she will provide for her little ones--

The teen mom who is terrified to tell her parents that she is pregnant--

The single moms who are struggling to care for their children--

But, in answer to the question—"does anyone tell them they are loved"—Yes, YOU tell them—with every soft blanket, every package of diapers, every warm outfit and every prayer that you say. With each package they receive, they are told that we love them both—Mother & Baby—and that we are praying for them.



It may not be written in a Valentine card, but it is written on their hearts.

God bless you for all you do! Have a happy Valentines Day filled with love, hugs and of course, lots of chocolate!

Love, Karen



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Wee Care



Dear Friends of Life of all ages – Junior High and High School students, college students, young adults, parents, families, teachers, youth ministers, young adult groups, and all other adults...

We are happy to report that two LIFESPAN buses of students, parents, chaperones and other adults went to the March for Life! We can't wait to share with you in the next newsletter what they experienced and share photos of our group!

Registration is open for our 2026 Be the Change that will take place on Saturday, March 21st, in two locations at the same time. With help from our friends at Protect Life Michigan, they have provided us with two speakers in Sterling Heights and two speakers in Livonia. The same training program will be at both locations. Our 7th year will be at new host churches, will provide a more focused training program, and will have a different menu for our

guests (brunch instead of pizza)! I am super excited about our 7th year!

Online registration link:

<https://righttolifelifespanspan.regfox.com/2026-be-the-change-event>

If you have any questions, please email Lynn Gura, Youth Director, at lynnsscm@gmail.com.

Be the Change

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Generation Truth Youth Report

114 Christian Colleges Caught Supporting Abortion, Planned Parenthood

By Steven Ertelt

A new report from Students for Life of America's Demetree Institute for Pro-Life Advancement has found that 114 Christian colleges and universities in the United States — more than one in seven — are supporting abortion in some way.

The report [found at the following hyperlink] (<https://www.instituteforprolifeadvancement.org/christianschools/>) found these Christian universities either backing abortion or maintaining some type of relationship with Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion company.

The investigation, conducted for the fourth consecutive year during the 2024-2025 academic year, examined 725 institutions affiliated with Christ-centered denominations that publicly claim a historical Christian faith in their founding. Schools from denominations embracing a pro-abortion stance, such as the Disciples of Christ, United Church of Christ, Quaker, and Moravian, were excluded.

Students for Life of America (SFLA) President Kristan Hawkins emphasized the incompatibility of such ties with Christian principles.

"You can't be Christian and be pro-abortion," Hawkins told Fox News Digital. "It's not something you can ... be flexible on."

She continued: "If you are a Christian, you profess to serve a God who spoke the universe into existence. He sent his only son to die a painful, excruciating death, to rise again in three days so we can live in heaven for all eternity. He did that because we, as His creation, are infinitely invaluable."

Hawkins highlighted the rise in such connections since the Supreme Court's 2022 overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. "Support for abortion among Christian colleges in the United States has skyrocketed since the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* in 2022," the report notes, with abortion support increasing by nearly 20% in the immediate wake of the decision and by 38.63% since 2024. More than one fourth (26.45%) of the infractions involved Christian schools referring students to Planned Parenthood as a "health resource."

Over half of the denominations (54.5%) had at least one school with an infraction.

The report also noted positive developments: Christian schools earning an "A+" grade by promoting or supporting local Pregnancy Help Centers increased by 13.79% since 2024, with 25 new A+ schools.

During the 2024-2025 school year, 50 ties between Christian schools and Planned Parenthood were severed due to interventions and awareness efforts.

Hawkins stressed accountability within Christian education.

"Accountability for teaching a Biblical worldview and prioritizing protecting preborn babies and their mothers begins within the church," she said in a press release. "Students for Life is partnering with parents and alumni in demanding that Christian schools offer a faith perspective on the world, including the human rights issue of our day, abortion. Shockingly, more Christian schools than ever before allowed Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry to taint campus life, and that's risen since the end of *Roe v. Wade*. Clearly, the Christian Schools project will remain a priority because some schools are failing the students who should receive the best of Christian apologetics and pro-life support."

She pointed to a specific example: "Most surprising, even the Holy Father's alma mater, Villanova University, got an F in our report, for listing several abortion organizations on its career connection website. The last thing we want is for our best and brightest students to reject the teachings of their faith by taking a job with any organization dedicated to destroying Life in the womb. Our hope is that the Holy Father, parents, alumni, donors, and students demand that our Christian schools practice what our faith preaches."

Schools received grades from A+ (no support for abortion and active promotion of pro-life pregnancy resources) to F (four or more infractions).

The report aims to encourage schools to sever ties with the abortion industry and promote pro-life alternatives.

"Every human being is infinitely invaluable because we were created in [God's] own image," Hawkins said. "To support, really what has now become, sadly, the literal human sacrifice for the God of yourself or for other ambition or career goals is to be fundamentally rejecting the truth of what it means to be a Christian and following the creator of the universe."

- *LifeNews.com, January 13, 2026*

Editor's Note: I am happy to say that my Masters Alma Mater at St. Joseph's College of Maine is an A+. Not happy that my Undergrad Alma Mater at University of Detroit Mercy is an F. Time to send the emails!



From the President

As I listen to the debate over men in women's sport it has become crystal clear to me what the sexual and feminist revolution of the sixties has done to us women. For centuries women have been fighting for equal rights. It took hundreds of years to bring women into the same equality as men. Yet some fifty short years later all that work being undone, and women will again, if men are allowed to be in women's sports, women will be taking a back seat to the needs of men. That is what this issue is all about. You never see women trying to infiltrate men's sports - its men demanding they take over women's sports.

It is important to define the sexes. It is important to know the truth and be able to speak out loud and clearly on the science of the sexes. No matter how they try and lie to the public, men cannot be women and women cannot be men. You may feel like the opposite sex but biologically you can never be the opposite sex. Feeling is in the mind. Physiologically, you cannot ever change!! Men have XY chromosomes, women have XX chromosomes. This is a scientific fact! For years, liberal thinkers have demanded you follow the science, but when it comes to this issue they seem to be blindfolded.

It made me angry when a women doctor was recently testifying before Congress. Why? When asked to define a woman, this OB/GYN hesitated and talked around the truth and never was able to define a woman - or chose to not to. A medical doctor could not, or would not, answer the question: what is a woman. What has medicine become? Social engineers have infiltrated the medical profession. Can you imagine a woman doctor unable to scientifically answer the question: what is a women. But if you think about it, this is the medical profession who goes along with killing the child in the womb. This is the same medical profession that turns a blind eye to an abortion procedure being done in one surgical suite, while fetal surgery is being done in the next to repair a heart problem in a unborn child. Doctors know the child in the womb is unique, it is alive, and it is human, but chooses not to fight the establishment!

As a woman I am deeply concerned for the young women in my family because they are no longer going to have the freedom to be a woman. To have the same rights as men. To have a place in the world that is uniquely theirs. If the Supreme Court does not ban men in woman's sports, we will lose our rights as women. Rights that have been fought for

over the centuries. Women need to be able to compete in society on a level playing field with men.

How is this related to the pro-life movement you ask. It is because when women are denied their unique role in life, they are denied their own sexuality and personhood. Women have the most beautiful. They have a key role in society - a role no man could ever have. It is to conceive and carry the next generation. Because of the social engineers, there have been generations of young woman who have not been encouraged, by society, to think in those terms. They first convinced women that the freedom to use their sexuality anytime for pleasure alone would be freeing. They convinced them that their responsibility was making sure they did not conceive a human person while being free to have sex without consequences. Then they convinced women that what they conceive - a child - belongs only to them, and could be destroyed, thereby giving them the same freedom as men. Then they convinced women that the child in the womb was a non-human entity and that they could kill him or her, if the child was not wanted. Today, they are trying to convince society that women can be men and men can be women. I ask you, are they trying to remove women from our society?

Sixty million women have chosen abortion in the past fifty years, thinking this gave them freedom. "My body my life" that is the mantra. It is just the opposite. We have lost our freedom to be all that we can be as women. We lost the one thing that truly defines us as women, being able to conceive and nurture the next generation. Womanhood is being attacked and once society has made women a commodity, we are no longer relevant. We are again being controlled, and we no longer have the freedom to do what is uniquely ours.

It is time for u, as women to speak up and take our womanhood back! If we do not, the dehumanization of women will continue. It is time to say no to abortion, to say no to being used as a sexual commodity, to say no to being blended into maleness. It is time to take back our role in society and be equal to men, but different from men. Each has a different role to play, that if used correctly, will strengthen society and not divide us.

There is a movement to break up the family, and cause chaos in society. A classic instrument being used today is to cause confusion among the sexes. By using our voices, and our talents, to promote womanhood and motherhood we will be like those who have gone before us, demanding equal rights for women. We must stop this trajectory to make us women irrelevant. By the grace of God and good woman and men of our times, we will bring sanity back to this country, and acknowledge, the rights of all.

I pray that by the time you read this the Supreme Court would have come down in a decision making it illegal for men to play in woman's sports. No matter what the decision, our efforts will continue and we must all be on guard because the social engineers will try a new tactic.

May God give us the courage to continue this fight no matter the difficulty.

Eileen's Tragic Death Reveals the Horror of Assisted Suicide

By Ashlynn Lemos

Eileen is a victim of the tragedy of physician-assisted suicide. Her story does not just reveal the horror of living in a state where this practice is legal. It exposes the danger of allowing even one state in the nation to permit it.

So-called "Death with Dignity" laws allow a doctor to prescribe lethal drugs to a patient, usually someone diagnosed with a serious or terminal illness. The patient can then take those drugs to intentionally end their own life.

Supporters often describe this as giving people "choice" or "control" at the end of Life. But in reality, these laws authorize a form of euthanasia, where a medical professional helps make death the outcome.

According to *Death with Dignity's* own website, "Since 1997, these laws have empowered people with terminal illness to have the control they want during the last days of their lives."

But these laws do not give dignity to those who are suffering. Instead, they undermine a person's value and promote eliminating them in the name of "choice." Even more alarming, Eileen's case shows how easy it can be to slip through the cracks and obtain lethal drugs without meeting the requirements.

Eileen's death is a tragedy and reveals how truly dangerous "Death with Dignity" laws are, especially as these laws are now in effect in several states.

Eileen received a deadly drug cocktail even though:

- She suffered from a serious mental illness
- She was not a Washington resident
- No doctor verified that she was terminally ill
- No waiting period was enforced

Each of these is considered a "safeguard" in states where assisted-suicide is legal.

If this was so easy for Eileen, a woman struggling daily, to bypass Washington's so-called safeguards, it could happen again. It can happen to someone else's daughter, sister, or friend.

Eileen's Story

After enduring a traumatic childhood, years of depression, a fluctuating support system, and deep emotional pain, Eileen began contemplating ending her life.

Her aunt, Veronica, later shared Eileen's story publicly and called for change.

Through Facebook and TikTok, Veronica explained how Eileen expressed that she was under a curse and needed someone to perform a spell to undo it. Over time, she became increasingly bedridden, consumed by trauma, mental illness, and involvement in witchcraft.

After multiple suicide attempts, Eileen realized she could not go through with it on her own. She even tried to raise money to travel to the Netherlands for assisted suicide. When that plan failed, she contacted *A Sacred Passing*, an organization based in Washington that facilitates physician-assisted suicide for terminally ill patients.



Eileen fraudulently obtained the medication. The organization did not verify that she was terminally ill. They did not catch her forged documents. They did not confirm her residency in Washington state. Multiple steps were missed.

Eileen impersonated a doctor in California and claimed she had stage four cervical cancer. Based on that false information, she was able to procure the lethal drugs from Washington state.

On March 8, 2025, Eileen was found dead in a hotel room at the Hotel Deluxe in Portland, Oregon.

From a Pro-Life perspective, every human life has inherent value, no matter a person's age, health, or prognosis. "Death with Dignity" laws send the message that some lives are no longer worth protecting, especially when someone is sick, disabled, elderly, or in pain.

These laws place vulnerable people at risk. Patients may feel pressure, whether spoken or unspoken, to choose death so they do not feel like a burden on their families, caregivers, or the healthcare system. What begins as a "choice" can quickly become an expectation.

Instead of offering hope, comfort, and care, these laws normalize ending a life as a solution to suffering.

True dignity comes from compassion, presence, and quality end-of-life and hospice care, not from hastening death. Patients deserve pain management, emotional support, and reassurance that their lives still matter, even in moments of great suffering.

Pro-Life advocates believe our response to illness should be to walk with people through their pain, not abandon them to it. Every life is worthy of care, protection, and love until natural death.

- *LifeNews.com, January 13, 2026*

Our New Newsletter!

MS Publisher will be discontinued this year, so we've chosen Canva for future newsletters.

Your thoughts?

2026 Silent Auction & Gift Card Tree: Items Needed

Every year at our Celebration of Life Dinner, we have a wonderful variety of items for the Silent Auction & Gift Card tree. We are looking for items that will bring in large auction bids, such as:

DONATION IDEAS

- Accommodations at tourist destination
- Golf Packages
- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Family-Friendly places to visit
- Sporting Event Tickets
- Store/Online Gift Cards

Monetary donations will be put to good use; donate any amount and an auction item will be created in your name.

Have gift cards from Christmas? You can donate them to us for our auction!

Please go to miLIFESPAN.org/donate to donate online or call the



Main Office at 734.524.0162 for more information



“We cannot diminish the value of one category of human life “the unborn “without diminishing the value of all human life.”
— President Ronald Reagan

UPCOMING PRO-LIFE EVENTS

- 3/8** **LIFESPAN BABY SHOWERS**
- 5/5** **DINNER & AUCTION**
- 9/12** **DAY OF REMEMBRANCE**
- 10/4** **LIFE CHAIN**

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Right to Life -LIFESPAN Membership Form

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___ Annual Membership	\$35	___ Platinum	\$500 or more
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Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Be the Change

Join us to learn up-to-date, effective ways of being an Advocate for the Pre-Born and Their Moms at our 7th annual training event!

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

This event is for ages 11 and up through adulthood!
Cost is \$20.00 per person (includes a catered meal).

Locations will be in Sterling Heights (at Ss. Cyril and Methodius) and in Livonia (at Saint Genevieve-Saint Maurice) - both events will be from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Two trainers/two-part program at each location.
Register by March 15th at one of the two locations - it's the same training program at both.

ONLINE REGISTRATION LINK:
[HTTPS://RIGHTTOLIFELIFESPAN.REGFOX.COM/2026-BE-THE-CHANGE-EVENT](https://righttolifelifespan.regfox.com/2026-be-the-change-event)

If you have any questions please call Lynn Gura, Youth Director at 248-495-9563 or email her at oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org



Coming Up Next

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* Our Dinner is coming! Save the Date - May 5, 2026 in Troy

* Final List of our Spring Baby Showers

* Our Silent Auction is on May 5th - Can you help us with your donations?