

PRO-LIFE NEWS

What will you DO this month to put your beliefs into action?

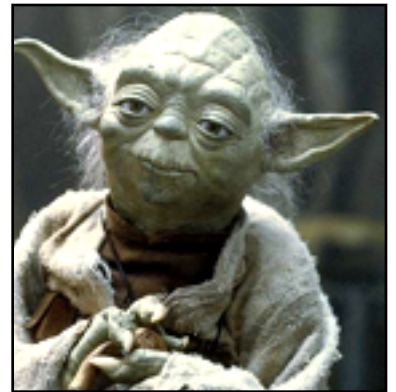
Here are some simple and timely pro-life things to DO during Respect Life Month:

WRITE YOUR STATE LEGISLATORS. There are 2 important bills pending in New Jersey.

- **Ban on late term abortions.** The postcard campaign urging legislators to pass this law will be held October 13 -14.
- **Proposed Assisted Suicide Bill.** We must beat back this deadly legislation *again*. See page 4 for details.

SPEND ONE HOUR IN PRAYER AT THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

The prayers of pro-lifers outside the Cherry Hill Women's Center have already saved lives during this Fall campaign, as mothers change their minds and walked away from their scheduled abortions. Your presence makes a difference!



"Do or do not. There is no try. Only do."
Yoda, *The Empire Strikes Back*



"Life does not begin at convenience."

Mich Alan Camp

**October is
Respect Life
Month**

Upcoming Event

September 26 - November 4
"40 Days for Life"
Cherry Hill Abortion Clinic
502 Kings Hwy North
Cherry Hill
**SIGN UP IN
ST MARTHA ROOM**

Thursday, October 25
Good Counsel Homes/SJ
Annual Banquet 6 PM
The Merion, Cinnaminson
Join our table! **LAST CALL**
Call Tracy 856-770-8488

Tell Your State Legislators to Support a Ban on Late Term Abortions in NJ

Members of the Mater Ecclesiae Pro-Life Apostolate will be on-hand after all Masses on the weekend of October 13 - 14 to provide parishioners with postcards for their three state legislators, urging them to support the "***Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act***".

Every New Jersey parishioner is asked to sign 3 postcards - one for your state senator, and one each for your two assemblymen. Information on your legislative district officials will be available, and the Apostolate - in coordination with the Diocese - will ensure that the postcards are delivered to each official's office.

Dear Senator _____,

In New Jersey, abortion is legal for any reason throughout **all nine months of pregnancy**. Given proper neonatal care, babies born at 20 weeks can survive and they deserve protection.

I am writing for your support and sponsorship of Bill A-1686/S-537, the "Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" which would protect babies in the womb at 20 weeks (5 months) gestational age and beyond.

Sincerely,

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

20-week baby in the womb

Please contact me and let me know how you will respond to this request.

Thank you.

Abortion hurts but there is hope and healing. www.rachelsvineyard.org

Postcard Campaign -- THIS WEEKEND
October 13 - 14

Saving Lives on the Sidewalk

Several parishioners of Mater Ecclesiae have stepped up to fill the **Saturday 11 AM to noon** time slot outside of the Cherry Hill Women’s Center, where as many as 250 abortions are performed each week.

There are only a couple more Saturdays remaining in the 40 Days campaign. Please sign-up in the St, Martha Room and join us in praying the rosary for the babies, mothers, fathers, families and workers who enter this facility.



Bishop Sullivan will lead vigil attendees in recitation of the rosary outside the Cherry Hill abortion clinic on **Friday, October 26, at 11 AM.**

Join us in witness to the sanctity of LIFE!

Requiescat in Pace

South Jersey lost two pro-life giants this past month.

JOANNE THOMAS was the Director of “Options for Women”, a pregnancy resource center in Cherry Hill.



AL MacELRATH was an ardent advocate for the unborn who helped to promote many statewide pro-life efforts as well as those of Mater Ecclesiae.



Well done, good and faithful servants.



A Date with Death

NJ Legislators Consider Assisted Suicide Law

On **Monday, October 29, 2018**, the New Jersey General Assembly very likely will vote on the “Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act” (A1504). The bill would allow physicians to prescribe drugs to end the lives of terminally ill individuals considered to have six months to live.

The facts are clear - in California, in Vermont and in Oregon - states that have passed assisted suicide bills - insurance companies have denied individuals expensive healthcare coverage but offered them low cost drugs to end their life.

“Medical science is called to eradicate the illnesses from which we suffer; not to eradicate the patients who suffer the illnesses. Our duty is to assist those who are dying - not kill them.”

Mike Jordan Laskey
Diocese of Camden
Director, Life & Justice Ministries

In an era of cost control and managed care, patients with lingering illnesses may be branded as a financial liability for the insurance company, and decisions to encourage death could be driven by reducing costs.

Please contact your state legislators and tell them that you oppose A1504.