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"Abortion May Be Legal, But It Is Still Morally Wrong!"

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### **U.S. Senator Mike Braun Speaks at** Right to Life Banquet on Oct. 15



Pictured here is Senator Mike Braun as he addressed the crowd at the Right to Life P crowd at the Right to Life Banquet at the Simon J. Graber Building on Thursday night, October 15. Senator Braun spoke of the work that lay ahead for the U.S. Senate in the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett. The senator did not mingle with the crowd, and when he arrived he was whisked off to a room near the stage area for his protection. The senator apologized for not being able to meet with individuals but said because of health concerns that all senators were being extremely careful in view of the important vote coming up in the U.S. Senate in the next week or so. In spite of the health concerns, a large crowd of 300 did attend the banquet; but it was down from previous years. All attendees to the banquet wore masks and were following the guidelines set down by the health department. This was the 44th year for the Right to Life Banquet, which now features residents from Daviess, Martin and Pike Counties.

### **Election Results from the 2020 Elections** By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

We may be Entering the Deep Dark Winter that Mr. Biden Promised

As we enter the days after the election, it appears the race for president may be given to Joe Biden. When most people went to bed on election night, it appeared that President Trump may be re-elected in a close race, as he was ahead in nearly all the battleground states. But on the day after the election and for days after that the Democrats seemed to find uncounted ballots in these states, and it appears they have found enough to give the election to the former vice president.

The Republicans are very leary of all of these late-arriving ballots. Long before the election it was predicted that this controversy would come to pass with all the mail-in ballots. I'm not sure if these are absentee ballots or if these are places where mass amounts were mailed to anyone on the voter lists. The president and Republicans warned this could happen, and now there could be a black cloud hanging over this 2020 election. It was hoped that after the election the country may come together, but now the divisions may be deeper than ever before.

### If the Media Gives the Election to Joe Biden, What Next?

e may be headed to the deep dark winter that Joe Biden had promised. We do not know what the full extent of a Biden presidency may be, but we know it will be in full support of the pro-abortion agenda. We are told by his people that on his first day as president he will issue executive orders to undo all the pro-life executive orders that were put in place by President Trump! We feel that deaths by abortion will definitely rise in the Biden Administration and the support of Planned Parenthood will be their main agenda. May God protect the unborn!

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# Lawyer Family Honored at Right to Life Banquet



Pictured here are the Clinton and Bridget Lawyer Family as they were being honored at the Right to Life Banquet on Thursday night as the 2020 Adoptive Family. Shown here in front are the four adopted children (left to right): Paige, Carter, Tyler and Ashton, and in back: (L-R) Clinton, Brian, Mattie, Mackenzie and Bridget.

Speaking on behalf of the family, Bridget Lawyer spoke of how she and her husband always wanted to adopt children after they had they had children of their own. They worked with the Foster Parent Program and in 2014 they were asked if they would care for 4 children ages 1 thru 8.

The family all agreed to do so and in December of 2014 the children moved in. Bridget related there are the normal ups and downs like any family, but they seemed to be able to work through all the problems of the new additions to the family.

On Sept. 19, 2016 the Lawyers were finally able to adopt the four children. "We still have a few rough patches, but they just fit right into our family. God has worked in each of us, and if we had not followed his lead we would have missed out on so many blessings! As excited as we are that they are part of our family, I do have to say this was not God's first choice for these kids. His first choice was a loving home with their biological parents. I know their mother loved them, and we are so glad she chose to have them as opposed to having an abortion."

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# **Community Service Awards Presented at Right to Life Banquet**



Pictured here is Mary Jo Sellers as she is presented with one of the 2020 Community Service Awards by President Louis Kavanaugh Jr. at the Right to Life Banquet. Also receiving Community Service Awards were Jeff Collison, Chuck Wichman, and Steve and Nancy Wichman.

Mary Jo was there to receive the awards on behalf of her brothers but was surprised when she was presented with one of the service awards. All of the award recipients have worked at the Right to Life paper drives for 30 years or more as well as served their church and been involved in their community. Mary Jo Sellers also served as the Right to Life treasurer for many years.

# **Colin Craig Presents Winning Essay At Right to Life Banquet**



Pictured here is Colin Craig, a former student at Pike Central H.S. and a freshman at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green Kentucky as he gives his winning essay after being selected the winner in the Donna Gentry Scholarship that took place earlier this year. Craig had competed with area high school seniors for this honor and was selected to give the essay at the Annual Right to Life Banquet which was held in Daviess County. Craig also was sang "God Bless the USA" for those in attendance. This Banquet is held each year and draws Right to Life members from Daviess, Pike and Martin Counties as over 300 attended this year in spite of the health concerns caused by the covid-19 virus.

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These Are Some of Joe Biden's Abortion Plans:

- Abortion Joe Biden is already on record as predisposed to court packing, turning our Supreme Court into a pro-abortion hive filled with liberal pro-abortion judges.
- Biden and Harris will work with Pelosi to end the "gag rule" (Mexico City Policy) and firmly connect foreign humanitarian aid to abortifacients and contraceptive use.
- Ending the Hyde Amendment and allowing federal dollars to finance abortions. This amendment has saved 2.5 MIL-LION unborn babies since 1976.
- Ending the Helms Amendment prohibiting the coercion of young mothers to have abortions.
- Rescind a series of Trump-era executive orders prohibiting federal healthcare dollars from being used to fund abortions.
- Push RU-486 into the hands of young mothers both during and after the COVID-19 epidemic by allowing mifepristone to be prescribed via telehealth.
- Publicly commit US foreign aid to the spread of abortion and contraceptive use, particularly in majority Catholic sub-Saharan Africa.
- Stack the executive branch with pro-abortion people so that future pro-life presidents cannot easily adjust policy.
- In the first 90 days, radically transform the US State Department and US Health and Human Services Department with a pro-abortion missionary agenda focused on "human rights" rather than natural rights.
- Implement a new Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) directive to allow federal bureaucrats to push abortion and abortion-related services onto undocumented immigrants before sending them back to their point of origin.

# The President Had so Much Against Him

If President Trump does not prevail in this election aftermath it would not be a surprise considering all that was against him. From the time he gained the nomination for president in 2016 the liberal media turned on him and used the power of the press to try to push Hillary Clinton into the White House. When that failed, they were wondering how that could happen. The media, including ABC, NBC, CBS, MSNBC, and CNN used every means at their disposal to discredit him or make him look bad. If the economy was doing well, they said it was Obama who left the country in good shape. They used the virus to blame him for something that China turned loose on the world, and even Biden chastised the president when he tried to stop travel from China.

Everyone in the liberal media used every statement from the president or anything they could to blame the president for anything that went wrong in the country. Even though the riots and destruction in Democrat cities were planned and executed by friends of the Democrats, Joe Biden and his fellow Democrats, along with their friends in the media, blamed the president. Well, in spite of all the president had against him in this election, he still made it so close we are unable to pick a winner at this time. We wonder if our liberal media will ever return to the day when they report the news as it happens rather than put their opinion into the news and pick and choose what they want to report as it fits their agenda.

There are many in this country who still stand up for the flag, support the police and law enforcement and support the right of the unborn to live and not be killed by abortion. We pray for the future of our country!

"WITHOUT A GUARANTEED RIGHT TO LIFE, ALL OTHER RIGHTS ARE LEGAL FICTIONS"

### **Thank You, Mr. President!**

WHATEVER the outcome of the presidential election, the pro-life movement has to be very grateful to President Trump for the last 3 years and 10 months of his presidency. With the appointment of federal judges, Supreme Court justices, pro-life appointments to key positions and to his many executive orders that helped the unborn, we have to be very grateful to this president for all he has done for the unborn and the pro-life movement. Well done, Mr. President, we appreciate what you have done for the unborn!

Right: President Donald Trump as he appeared at the March for Life in Washington D.C. in January of 2020.



### Why Doesn't President Trump Just Give Up?

That is exactly what the Democrats hope he would do but giving up is not something that Donald Trump normally does. According to Senator Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, "the Republicans have to keep on this and find out just how bad the voter fraud is because if the Democrats get their way this time, we may never elect a pro-life Republican ever again. This is why we must encourage the president to stay the course and keep the investigations going and see just how bad the voter fraud was in this Presidential Election." There have been so many claims of corruption that I dare not go into it here.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell slammed Democrats and the media during a speech from the Senate floor over their complaining that President Trump has not conceded the 2020 election, even though some states are still counting votes and the Trump campaign has filed numerous legal challenges in several states.

"More broadly, let's have no lectures about how the President should immediately, cheerfully accept preliminary election results from the same characters that just spent four years refusing to accept the validity of the last election," McConnell later

said. "And who insinuated this one would be illegitimate, too, if they lost again. Let's have no lectures on this subject from that contingent."

"In late August, Secretary Hillary Clinton said, quote, 'Joe Biden should not concede under any circumstances... I think this is going to drag out, and... he will win if we don't give an inch," McConnell continued. "That same month, Speaker Pelosi and the Democratic Leader both stated, quote, '[President Trump] needs to cheat to win.' In October, when Speaker Pelosi was shopping some conspiracy theory about the Postal Service, she recklessly said, quote, 'I have no doubt that the president... will lie, cheat, and steal, to win this election."

"Does this sound like a chorus that has any credibility to say a few legal challenges from President Trump represent some kind of crisis?" he added. "At this time last week, small-business owners in cities across America were boarding up their windows in case President Trump appeared to win and far-left mobs decided to reprise their summertime rioting. Suffice to say a few legal inquiries from the president do not exactly spell the end of the Republic." We will wait to see how it unfolds.

# Thank You To All Pro-Life Voters!

Special thanks to everyone that voted pro-life in the Fall Election.
In Indiana and in all the area counties it was a 100% pro-life sweep.
However, on the national level it may not have gone the way we would have liked, but we are still waiting for the final results.

Even though we may be faced with a pro-abortion administration, we pray for final results in the U.S. Senate that has it pro-life!

Let us continue to pray for our country as it appears we are in great need of prayers for our new leaders!

Daviess, Pike and Martin County Right to Life Groups!



### The Trump Train Rolls Through Indiana Again, Just Like 2016

President Trump again racked up a big victory here in Indiana, winning 87 of the 92 Counties for a 57-41 percent margin. Even two of the counties he lost were lost by a very small margin. With his dominance in Indiana he helped to secure election of many Republicans in the state legislature (house and senate) and also helped to pull in many Republicans in local races. The Republicans picked up seats in



the house and senate here in Indiana and helped to keep their super majority.

#### For Governor of Indiana:

Pro-life incumbent Governor Eric Holcomb was also a big winner on election night, winning big over pro-abortion Democrat Woody Myers. Holcomb was a 57-32% winner over Myers, and Libertarian Donald Rainwater made a good showing at 11%.

#### For Attorney General:

Former pro-life Congressman Todd Rokita defeated pro-abortion Democrat Jonathon Weinzapfel by a bigger than expected margin. This was the only statewide race.

#### For 8th District Congressional Race:

Pro-life incumbent Larry Bucshon was a big winner against E. Thomasina Marsili. This will be the sixth term for Congressman Larry Bucshon.

# Pro-Life Republicans Did Better in U.S. House Races While Results Not Final in U.S. Senate

In the U.S. House and Senate the Republicans did much better than expected. The Democrats were expected to pick up 10-15 seats but they actually may have lost 10 when the final count is all in. It may take weeks before we know the final outcome of the house. In the U.S. Senate it was predicted the Republicans could lose as many as 7-8 seats, but as of now they have lost 1 and heading for a run off in Georgia on Jan. 5 that will decide who controls the U.S. Senate. That may be the firewall that will stop the Democrats from implementing their liberal socialist policy on America. We can only hope and pray the Republicans win rather than the pro-abortion Democrats.

In other races the Republicans held on to state legislatures in every state that the party already controlled, including in crucial swing states Wisconsin and Pennsylvania. On top of this, Republicans flipped both the House and Senate of the New Hampshire state legislature, and prevented Democrats from gaining control of the upper chamber of Minnesota's state House. So the election was not all bad news.

House District Races in our Area:

In the **45th House District** Bruce Borders was unopposed and was re-elected without opposition.

In **House District 63**, pro-life incumbent Shane Lindauer won big against his challenger Teresa Kendall.

In **House District 62**, pro-life incumbent Jeff Ellington also won big over challenger Alyssa Bailey.

In **House District 64**, pro-life incumbent Matt Hostettler was also a big winner against challenger Ian Gamroth.

The Trump Train rolled through our area in Daviess, Martin and Pike Counties as well as nearly all county offices were won by Republicans, and that has to be attributed to the appeal at the top of the ticket. I am sure there were Democrats who did not support the radical agenda of the national party, but they were dragged down; and that could very well be the reason for their defeat. Daviess County has always been a Republican County, but surrounding counties such as Martin, Pike, Knox, Dubois and Greene counties were considered Democrat counties until Donald Trump came along; and now it is hard to find a Democrat still in office. The national Democrat party may have gone so far to the left and to the extreme they will never find their appeal to the average Indiana voter.

# Catholic Group Slams Bishops for Letting Joe Biden "Spit in the Face of Christ" by Supporting

**Abortion** Steven Frtelt

A Catholic pro-life group is furious with the nation's Catholic bishops for issuing a statement claiming abortion activists Joe Biden and Kamala Harris have won the presidential election and for letting Biden "spit in the face of Christ" with his radical support of unlimited abortions.

American Life League, a Catholic pro-life organization, slammed the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops after they congratulated Biden and Harris. Archbishop José H. Gomez, president of the USCCB, released a statement saying Biden was the winner despite the election not having been certified and despite reports of election fraud in multiple battleground states.

But ALL president Judie Brown said the statement shows most Catholic Bishops have no problem with a so-called Catholic politician "spitting at the face of Christ."

"We were dumbfounded because it is not clear that the Biden/Harris team has actually won. And frankly, pro-abort politicians like these two should be **continued** on PAGE 7

# Catholic Bishops Launch Task Force to Hold Biden Accountable for Promoting Abortion Mary Margaret Olohan Washington, DC

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops announced Tuesday that it will form a task force to address policy by President-elect Joe Biden that contradicts Catholic teaching.

The task force will be headed by Detroit Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron of Detroit, according to the Catholic News Service, and will be specifically focused on addressing Biden's actions as the first Catholic president since John F. Kennedy, as Biden supports policies explicitly opposed to Catholic teaching, such as abortion.

USCCB president Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles announced the formation of the working group Tuesday at an annual conference of American Catholic bishops, noting that "we are facing a unique moment in the history of our country."

Biden as the second Catholic president of the United States "presents certain opportunities but also certain challenges," Gomez said. The archbishop predicted that Biden "will support policies that are against some fundamental values we hold dear as Catholics," though Biden "has given us reason to believe his faith commitments will lead to certain policies that we favor" such as aid to refugees.

"This includes repeal of the Hyde Amendment and his support for Roe v. Wade," Gomez said.

Biden has also promised that as president, he will reinstate Obama-era policies which required the Little Sisters of the Poor to give employees access to birth control, though this violates the Catholic religious beliefs of the sisters, and despite the fact that the Supreme Court ruled July 8 that the Catholic nuns are exempt from Obama's contraceptive mandate.

The former vice president also advocates for same-sex mar-

riage, though the Catholic Church teaches that marriage should be between a man and a woman.

Gomez noted that the USCCB has issued statements emphasizing that Catholic bishops have "a preeminent priority of elimination of abortion."

The archbishop also emphasized that bishops must be aware of "unequal treatment of Catholic schools" during a Biden administration, as well as the Equality Act and the "restoration of the HHS mandate" requiring employers to pay for their employees' birth control against their religious beliefs.

"These policies pose a serious threat to the common good whenever any politician supports them. We have long opposed these polices strongly and we will continue to do so," Gomez said.

"When politicians who profess the Catholic faith support them there are ... problems," he added. "And one of the things it creates confusion among the faithful about what the church actually teaches on these questions."

The USCCB and Biden transition team did not immediately respond to requests for comment from the Daily Caller News Foundation.

Editor Note: It is interesting the Catholic Bishops are now reacting to the possible election of Joe Biden when they could have been more pro-active and warned their flocks not to voter for Candidates that support abortion. It is a case where they could have been proactive before the election and they could have avoided this disaster but now are wringing their hands that the damage has been done. It may be a case of too little too late. When will they learn!

### Many Moderate Democrats Now Are Chastising the Left Wing of the Party

The after effects of the election are now coming in and the center of the road democrats are critical of the left wing of the party that ran on no limits for abortion and other aspects of their radical extreme left wing agenda. Rep. Abigail Spanberger, D-Va., who spoke bluntly to her House colleagues during a conference call after the election, warned party members about further losses in 2022 if they don't curb their rhetoric on socialism and "defunding the police."

Joe Scarborough of the Moring Show spoke of how the Democrats were supposed to rout the Republicans in the U.S. Senate. He went on to say Democrats were supposed to win 10-11 Senate seats, but the numbers were wrong. He went on to say the Democrats got routed in Senate races they should have won; just look back at all the predictions. The "Morning Joe" cohost then pointed to the "consequential impact" of the losses of state legislatures due to redistricting, something he stressed will change the "shape of the map over the next ten years." Scarborough went on to say he was talking to the smartest data people alive that basically told him that the numbers were a mirage in Florida and across the upper Midwest.

Speaking of the polling, once again the pollsters took a big hit. What was predicted as a landslide for Biden has turned out to be a squeaker, that is if the Biden numbers hold up and if they don't find fraud in these states that may flip them back to the President's column.

Why Do Good Christians Still Vote to Support Abortion Candidates? It always bothers me when I see Christians that I know who go to church regularly and yet when election time rolls around they have a pro-abortion candidate's election sign in their yard. Do they not get the connection? Is it because they have always voted Democrat and can't see their way to vote anything but Democrat? The 2020 Presidential Election was one of the most important in our lifetime, and we saw very few pro-abortion candidate signs; but when I did see them in yards owned by Christian people, it bothered me. Now I know that people who do not attend church and live more for the world are not likely to vote pro-life, but you would think that Christian people who attend church on a regular basis would stop and consider what they are doing. As we have said many times, "If your Vote Supports Abortions, What Becomes of Your Soul?"

### Right to Life Presidents in Southwest Indiana Express Disappointment in Bishop's Stand on Election

All presidents of Right to Life groups in Southwest Indiana signed a letter to the bishop of the Evansville Diocese expressing their disappointment in his statement concerning the 2020 Presidential Election. In the bishop's column in September of 2020 he stated that he would remain neutral in this presidential election.

In the letter to Bishop Joseph Siegel, the chapter presidents stated, "This election is about the sanctity of life, true marriage between a man and a woman, supporting the family, religious freedom and sexual morality based on biblical truth—all other issues depend on these. The two major political parties are diametrically opposed on these issues. This election is a matter of life and death."

When we are confronted with a political party that supports intrinsic evil such as abortion, euthanasia, embryonic stem cell research, same sex marriage—we must support the moral truths. That is not being political—that is being true to the one Holy, Catholic, Apostolic Church. When a candidate for president of the United States is a baptized Catholic running on a virulent anti-Catholic platform with a vicious anti-Catholic running mate how can we be silent?

This letter was prompted because the bishop said he would remain neutral in this election. The presidents of the RTL groups, who are all members of the Catholic Faith, expressed their disappointment in the bishop because in this election, which has the abortion issue at the top of the issues, he is being neutral! It is one of the most important elections in our lifetime; how can any clergy stand by and do nothing? All he has to say is "Please don't support candidates who support abortion!" That is all they were asking.

It comes at a time when many bishops and priests are speaking out on this issue, and this was pointed out to the bishop in this letter. Sad to say, the bishop did not respond to the letter. It was not sure how the Catholic vote turned out in this election, but indications were in the state of Indiana, they got the message from pro-life groups and voted pro-life en masse as candidates who support the pro-life viewpoint came through loud and clear (at least in Indiana).

We are not sure what we have to do to get clergy speaking out on the evil of abortion, but we made progress this election and will continue to encourage clergy to speak out on this issue. The clergy should not and do not have to endorse any candidate. All they need to say is, "What will it do to your soul if you support candidates for public office who support abortion?"

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reprimanded by the USCCB, not congratulated! The USCCB's rush to curry favor with pro-aborts has not only saddened us, but has left us disturbed," she told LifeNews.com in a statement.

She also pointed to Catholic Bishop Joseph Strickland, who slammed Joe Biden on Tuesday for supporting "the slaughter of innocents by abortion" up until the point of birth.

Strickland, who leads the Diocese of Tyler in Texas, continues to be a strong pro-life voice in the Catholic Church in America. On Tuesday, he criticized Biden as well as the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) for celebrating Biden's presumed victory over President Donald Trump.

"A dark cloud has descended on this nation when the US-CCB and Planned Parenthood speak in unison in support of a Biden-Harris administration that supports the slaughter of innocents by abortion for all 9 months of pregnancy," Strickland wrote. Brown thanked Bishop Strickland for his statement.

"So, for the record, let us never forget the actions of heroic priests and bishops who, unlike the USCCB, have defended the Eucharist and made it clear that pro-abortion Catholics-in-name-only—like Biden—should not receive the Eucharist," she said. "It is apparent that the USCCB does not represent each individual bishop when it applauds a pro-abortion Catholic politician; it has never done so, and it never will."

Some Catholic leaders spoke out openly against Biden ahead of the election, and many others, including Strickland, urged Americans to make unborn babies a priority when they voted on Nov. 3.

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