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

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2022 Right to Life Banquet a Huge Success!



Right to Life Banquet Speaker with the Kavanaughs

Pictured above is the Right to Life Ban-quet speaker Father Frank Pavone (center) along with Right to Life President Louie Kavanaugh Jr. (right) and his son, Jim Kavanaugh. From the right side of the picture is son John Kavanaugh and son Louie Kavanaugh III. Louis Jr. had emceed the Right to Life Banquets since the early beginnings of the organization, but this past July he was diagnosed with health issues and was unable to emcee the banquet this year. That's when he called on his sons to help him out and they did in a big way. Each had a part to play and it went off with another large crowd of over 400 in attendance. Father Frank Pavone who is a well known pro-life Speaker and he did not disappoint the large crowd as he highlight why that Roe v. Wade was overturned. He stated it was on flimsy legal ground since its inception back in 1973 and was waiting for the right people to come on the court to stand up and send this back to the states. He stated no, this has not outlawed all abortion as the liberal media tries to make people believe but it has given the states the right to band most abortions.

Father Pavone also stated this Roe v. Wade Reversal would not have been possible without the appointments to the U.S Supreme Court by Former President Donald Trump. Father Pavone speaks all across the country in support of the pro-life movement and has done so for many years.

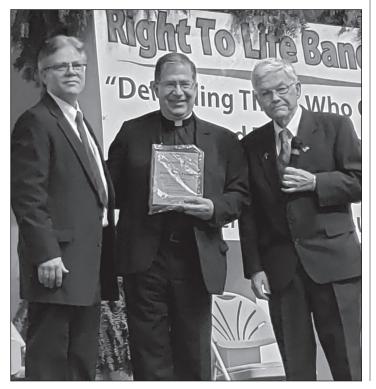
Jacob and Lisa Miller Honored as the 2022 Adoptive Family at Right to Life Banquet

Pictured right is the 2022 Adoptive Family as they related their story to the audience during the annual Right to Life Banquet this past Thursday night. Shown here (L-R) is Lisa Miller, Son Jakobi, daughter Blakeley, son Makaiah and Jacob Miller holding son Zeke. In an emotional appeal Jacob related how the adoption of the children took place and told everyone to not give up on adoption as their adoption story has several twists and turns that only God could get them through. He stated how God led them through the process, adding they were not sure how they would have made it without his guiding hand. The Millers also announced they are expecting their fifth child in early 2023.



Father Frank Pavone Receives 2022 Pro-Life Award at Banquet

Pictured here is Father Frank Pavone (center) well-known pro-life leader as he is presented the 2022 Pro-Life Award. Making the presentation was Louis Kavanaugh Jr. (right) and Louie Kavanaugh III (left). Father Frank has been in the pro-life movement nearly from the beginning of the abortion battle.



Community Service Award Winners at Right to Life Banquet

Pictured above is the 2022 Community Service Award Winners as they were presented their awards at the Banquet on Thursday Evening. Shown here is (L-R) is Larry Wirtz of Montgomery and Raymond Hart of Cannelburg. Presenting the plaques was Daviess County RTL President Louis Kavanaugh Jr. The Awards were presented to these individuals because of the volunteering for the local Right to Life, their work for their Church and for their volunteering in local community organizations. Father Frank Pavone was also present the 2022 Pro-Life Award for his continuing work in the pro-life movement.



If You Have not Attended a Right to Life Banquet, Please Consider Doing so in the Future

We in the pro-life movement feel the Right to Life Banquet is the most important event of the year for our organization and if you plan to do something for the organization it would be to show your support and show up for the Banquet. Give these leaders encouragement as they may not be around much longer. They have been involved in the organization for many years and by your presence at the banquet it would be encouraging for them to hang in there and continue in this battle. I think there is a lot going on but when it comes to protecting the lives of the unborn, everything else pales in comparison. So this is something for you to consider.

Joe Biden Quietly Created a Task Force in July to Target Pro-Life Americans

By Steven Ertelt, Washington, DC

Pro-Life Americans are up in arms about the FBI targeting peaceful pro-life advocates, raiding their home and arresting them. The Biden administration has been under heavy criticism as Joe Biden's Justice Department targets peaceful pro-life Americans for protesting abortions in such as a way that they blocked access to an abortion center.

The Justice Department has charged 11 more pro-life activists with violations of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act for blocking the entrance of an abortion clinic in 2021. The 11 activists were charged with FACE Act violations stemming from their 2021 "blockade" of an abortion clinic in Mount Juliet, Tennessee.

Why are pro-life Americans being targeted like never before for peacefully protesting abortion? That's because Biden's Justice Department quietly created a task force in July to target pro-life Americans.

Along with lobbying Congress to create a federal right to abortion, the task force's work included centralizing "information about the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act," the federal law used to prosecute at least a dozen pro-life activists in recent weeks.

Where was this flurry of activity coming from? A good guess is the DOJ's Reproductive Rights Task Force. The FBI refused to answer whether the DOJ's Reproductive Rights Task Force had anything to do with the arrests, deflecting the question to the DOJ. The DOJ didn't respond to a press request made Wednesday.

Pregnancies Care Centers Are There to Help Young Mothers in Unplanned Pregnancies

(In Washington, Vincennes, Bedford and Linton to name a few!) By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

With the Supreme Court decision striking down Roe v Wade, all pregnancy care centers will get even busier than before. We have top notch pregnancy care centers in our area with First Choice Solutions operating in Washington and others in Linton, Vincennes and Bedford. They have great staffs and are there to help mothers with unplanned pregnancies.

We know the liberal media and the Democrats along with the pro-abortion forces are putting out false information on these fine facilities. Since the reversal of the Supreme Court decision we have experienced vicious attacks on these pro-life facilities from fringe groups, and the Biden administration is doing little to help put a stop to it. Also the Biden administration is doing little to protect the Supreme Court justices who voted to overturn Roe v Wade. Many in the Democratic administration, including Attorney General Garland, are ignoring pleas to step up security at the homes of the justices.

Media Coverage on Abortion Always Tilted to the Pro-Abortion Viewpoint, Nothing Has Been Changed

By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

Well, we have seen it all before, and it has not changed. News coverage by the liberal networks (CNN, NBC, MSNBC, CBS, ABC) on abortion and the violence from the pro-abortion groups against pregnancy care centers, churches and pro-life offices continues to be biased in favor of the pro-abortion viewpoint. Concerning the violence against prolife offices and pregnancy care centers, fair and balanced reporting has been non-existent on the liberal networks. Their coverage of the reversal of Roe v Wade has always been slanted towards the pro-abortion viewpoint. Thanks goodness for Fox News and News Max as they have given both sides of the issue. I guess we cannot expect anything different from the pro-abortion networks, and we can expect this to continue. So, if you are pro-life, I would advise you not to listen to these liberal networks.

The Red Wave Did not Materialize. What Will It Take to Wake up the American Voters? By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

It appears the Republicans could take control of the U.S. House but it is still in doubt as of this writing days after the election. It appears slow counting of votes in western states is dragging on, and it may take weeks for us to know who controls the U.S. House or U.S. Senate. When the vote count is delayed this long, it makes everyone uneasy; and you can understand why the average voter may suspect voter fraud. When other states with much higher populations were able to get them done on election night, it points to incompetence by these state officials. In Georgia they knew the results of the U.S. Senate, and Georgia is going to a run off on Dec. 6th. The bottom line is Republicans did not get the results at the ballot box they expected.

When you consider the high gas prices, inflation, crime, the wide open borders by the Biden administration with Mexico, the drugs flowing across the border, abortion and many other issues, the Republicans must have thought it would be a slam dunk. When you consider the sad state of affairs this country is in under the Democrats and President Biden, you wonder when the American voter will wake up and vote to throw the bums out.

What happened in the Senate race in Pennsylvania gave that state a black eye as they may have elected someone who will have trouble serving that position. He took a page from President Biden's playbook in 2020 and hid in the basement most of the campaign; and when he did come out, he did not appear to be very much on top of the issues.

Well, consider President Biden's demonizing anyone who would vote Republican, and sadly people believe what Biden is saying. With this president pushing abortion up to the time of birth, we are in a sad time in our country. This does not mean we give up on our great country; we just have to keep working to improve it.

2022 Indiana Midterm Election Results for State Representative and State Senate By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

In the Race for U.S. Senate in Indiana, incumbent pro-life Senator Todd Young defeated Democratic challenger Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. In the 8th District Congressional Race the incumbent congressman pro-life Larry Buchson defeated Democrat Ray McCormick. In other congressional races prolife Republicans won 7-2 as that remains unchanged in the 9 congressional races here in Indiana. All state offices were won by Republicans as secretary of state, state treasurer and state auditor races all went to Republicans.

In the race for state representative in District 45, Republican incumbent pro-life Bruce Borders won re-election by a huge margin over an independent candidate. In state representative

Health Issues for Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

I want to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to all of you who have send cards, emails, texts or called to wish me well and to say that are praying for me. It has truly made my day. Since July of this year when I was diagnosed with cancer I have taken five radiation treatments and just finished three months of chemo and not sure how many more months of chemo I will have to take. I am continuing to work in my office at home, and I go into the RTL Office once a week. So far I am keeping up on all that needs to be done for our local RTL and have been getting help for special projects when needed. District 62, on the Republican side, Dave Hall won his race over Democrat Penny Githens by 53-47% for the open seat left by Jeff Ellington moving to District 45. Pro-life Representative District 63 Incumbent Republican Shane Lindauer also won his race over Democrat Teresa Kendall by a wide margin and in House District 64 pro-life Matt Hostettler was unopposed in his re-election bid.

In the Indiana state senate, District 39 pro-life Eric Bassler was unopposed, and in his reelection bid and in State Senate District 48 pro-life Mark Messmer defeated challenger Jeff Hill by a wide margin.

Special Thank You

By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

I want to thank my three sons Louie, John and Jim for their help with the Banquet along with all the Board members who stepped up to help in any way. John and Louie III helped to emcee the Banquet and Jim helped with the setup/teardown and drove the bus for the elderly from Washington. Also, the RTL Board Members stepped up and was very helpful for the Banquet and very helpful in other matters as well. It was greatly appreciated.

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

Indiana's New Abortion Law Passes "Constitutional Litmus Test," Says Brief By Natalie Hoefer | Catholic News Service

Editor's Note: The following is a step by step record of what took place when Indiana passed pro-life legislation after Roe v Wade was overturned and hoe ACLU/Planned Parenthood went to court to block the legislation. Not sure how long this will be tied up in court, but it could be into 2023.

INDIANAPOLIS — The Thomas More Society, a not-for-profit, national public interest law firm based in Chicago, has submitted an amicus curiae, or friend-of-the-court brief, to the Indiana Supreme Court supporting the state in a suit challenging its recently passed abortion law.

The lawsuit was filed Aug. 30 by the American Civil Liberties Union on behalf of Planned Parenthood Northwest, Hawaii, Alaska, Indiana, Kentucky, Inc., et al. It claims the new law protecting most unborn lives violates rights, privileges and protections granted in the state's constitution.

In an Oct. 31 news release, Peter Breen, vice president and senior counsel of the Thomas More Society, quoted from the brief.

"Nothing in the language, history, or interpretation of the Indiana Constitution supports a right to abortion," he said, "especially in light of Indiana's prohibition of abortion going back to 1835, 16 years before the relevant part of that constitution was adopted."

The law in question was enacted by the Indiana General Assembly and signed into law by Gov. Eric Holcomb on Aug. 5. It bans most abortions except in cases of rape, incest and specific medical conditions. "This law passes the constitutional litmus test," said Breen.

The amicus brief said that Article 1 of the constitution regarding inalienable rights "does not create any judicially enforceable rights. That is because the language ... does not provide courts with an ascertainable standard which could be applied to evaluate (the) 'inalienable rights' claims" of the law-suit.

It goes on to state that neither the "plaintiffs nor the circuit court pointed to anything in the language, history or interpretation" of Article 1 that indicates "the liberty language" of the article "confers a right to abortion."

The article's language "says nothing about a right to abortion," the brief says, adding that "neither the history nor the interpretation" of Article 1 "or any other provision" of the Indiana Constitution "supports recognition of a state constitutional right to abortion."

The lawsuit, filed in a Monroe County court, has triggered several actions. The first was Sept. 22 with the issuing of a preliminary injunction on the law, which had gone into effect on Sept. 15. This action set the state law to its status prior to the ban, again allowing abortions in the state up to 22 weeks gestation.

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita sought to bypass the appeals court and asked the Indiana Supreme Court to take over the case and to lift the temporary injunction.

The court agreed Oct. 12 to take the case but left the temporary injunction in place until a decision is reached. In January, the state Supreme Court will begin hearing oral arguments in the case.

"The circuit court's decision to halt enforcement of Indiana's new protections for unborn children is unsupported in Indiana law and history," Breen said.

In response to the announcement that the temporary injunction would remain in place, Indiana Right to Life CEO Mike Fichter stated the organization estimates "at least 3,000 unborn babies, whose lives otherwise might have been saved, will now needlessly die from abortion as the law remains blocked."

"Thousands more will die as we await a final ruling after the January hearing," he said. "Although we are confident the law will be upheld, it will be far too late for those whose lives will be lost as this is argued in the courts."

The Following is a Press Release from Indiana Right To Life President Mike Fichter

Indiana Right to Life Statement On Indiana's Election Results

A big day for pro-life candidates in the first state to pass pro-life legislation following the overturning of Roe vs. Wade

INDIANAPOLIS (November 9, 2022) – Indiana Right to Life CEO Mike Fichter issued this statement in reaction to major pro-life wins in the 2022 Indiana general election:

"Yesterday was a big day for life in Indiana. Every prolife incumbent in the state legislature won re-election, while Indiana's United States Senate seat, along with seven of nine House seats, stays in pro-life hands. Every statewide office was won by pro-life candidates. In addition, a strong class of pro-life freshmen will now join the Indiana general assembly. These results are highly significant considering Indiana's legislature was the first in the nation to pass pro-life legislation following the demise of Roe. In spite of predictions by some pundits and pollsters that Indiana went too far in its approach to protecting unborn children, yesterday's election results serve as a reminder that Indiana is a prolife state. We look forward to even greater opportunities to show Indiana is a state that cares for pregnant mothers and their babies."

All We Ask of Clergy and Pastors: Tell Your Congregation to Vote Pro-Life By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

S o many times we hear clergy/pastors say they can't say anything political from the pulpit. They may lose their C3 status. Well, this is a cop-out. The truth is that some are afraid and are just not willing to stand up and tell their congregation that if you support abortion by your vote, you are supporting abortion. We can tell them that all they have to say is: **"Don't vote for any candidate that supports abortion because if you do, you are supporting abortion"!** That is all they have to say. They are not mentioning any candidate or any party.

If we can't get our clergy to speak the truth on abortion, how can we convince their members sitting in the pews? I hear over and over again that people never hear about the evil of abortion from the pulpit in the churches, so why would the people know it is wrong and supporting it at the ballot box is even worse. So, people, let your pastor know of your frustration; and encourage him to give a strong message on abortion and also on voting for candidates who support life rather than abortion.

We praise pastors who do stand up and tell their congregation that abortion is wrong and voting for abortion candidates is also wrong, and we thank pastors for their backbone and letting their congregation know what is right and what is wrong.

We know that 100% of Democrats that run for public office on the state and federal level support abortion nearly up to the time of birth. The reason being the state and federal Democratic Parties will not give them money for their election if they don't follow the agenda of the Democratic Party on abortion.

So the bottom line is: we need pro-life people in your church to encourage pastors to be brave and stand up and speak out against abortion and speak out against voting for pro-abortion candidates. If we don't speak out, who will? May our pastors be strong!

When Doing "Nothing" Would Save Countless Lives

By Dave Andrusko Of National Right to Life Inc.

Pro-abortion President Joe Biden held a press conference yesterday, the day after the midterm elections. The first question asked by Zeke Miller of the *Associated Press* was what would he "do differently" over the next two years given that 75% of the country thinks we are headed in the wrong direction? Biden said "Nothing.... The more they know about what we're doing, the more support there is."

Really? I would bet money that the more the public knows about his strident support for advancing the culture of death, the less support there would be. For example....

Is the public interested in "codifying *Roe*"? Not when what that means is spelled out, that's for sure. When he talks about "codifying *Roe*" the President is alluding to the preposterously mislabeled "Women's Health Protection Act." "Codifying *Roe*" is the Big Lie which Democrats keep peddling. The Women's Health Protection Act "would nullify nearly all existing protective state laws," said Jennifer Popik, J. D., director of Federal Legislation for National Right to Life. "In addition, this legislation also would have prohibited states from adopting new protective laws in the future, even laws specifically upheld as constitutionally permissible by the U.S. Supreme Court."

Does the public want its tax dollars used to pay for abortions? Hardly. Biden would overturn the Hyde Amendment which has prevented that from happening. Not only has the Hyde Amendment enjoyed 45 years of bipartisan support, it enjoys strong support among the people.

This past summer in Madrid, Mr. Biden told reporters: "The most important thing to be clear about is we have to codify *Roe v. Wade* into law and, the way to do that is to make sure Congress votes to do that," Mr. Biden told reporters during a press conference in Spain. **And for good measure, he said:** "And if the filibuster gets in the way, it's like voting rights, it should be provided an exception for this ... to the filibuster."

Does the public want its dollars spent at home and overseas to increase the number of abortions? "President Biden's HHS has erased Trump's *Protect Life Rule*, refunneling Title X money to abortion giant Planned Parenthood (despite it violating Title X rules) and mandates medical professionals participate in or refer for abortion," according to Ryan Bomberger.

"Does the public want the right of conscience to be obliterated, forcing medical personnel to be a party to abortion?" Wesley J. Smith writes.

The Equality Act—which has passed the House of Representatives—seeks to obliterate existing medical conscience rights around abortion by transforming conscientious refusals into acts of sex discrimination. Specifically, the bill redefines the term "sex" to include "pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition." It then bans "pregnancy discrimination" and requires that pregnancy "shall not receive less favorable treatment than other physical conditions." Moreover, it would gut the right to refuse participation in abortion based on religious belief.

The list goes on and on. The Biden Administration eliminated safeguards in place that ensured women taking chemical abortifacients were screened to be sure they did not have a preexisting condition, including ectopic pregnancy. (So-called "medication abortion" does not affect an ectopic pregnancy; and if women are not checked for this, it could rupture, threatening her life.)

Even the VA was not safe. An op-ed in *Stars and Stripes* written by Danielle Runyan and Christine Pratt began: "Last month, the Department of Veterans Affairs ended the public's

opportunity to comment on its new interim final rule (VA Rule) titled "Reproductive Health Services," immediately allowing elective abortions at VA medical clinics. The rule allows for abortions, with no mention of gestational age limits, whenever they can be justified as "needed to promote … the health of the [mother]." The rule received 57,900 public comments, many of which opposed the VA's decision.

Under such a vague requirement, is there any abortion that President Joe Biden's VA wouldn't perform? How will this new, broad authorization affect VA staff who don't want to perform or assist with an abortion due to either religious or moral beliefs?

You get the point. President Biden and his administration count it a day lost when they haven't facilitated the deaths of additional unborn children.

At yesterday's press conference, when asked if he intended to run again, the President said it would "ultimately [be] a family decision." He said that "my intention is that I run again," but that he doesn't "feel any hurry one way or another" about making an announcement.

Hasn't he already done enough damage?

Georgia Senate Race Goes to December 6 Runoff

Steven Ertelt • Washington, DC

With control of the senate now being decided, the crucial senate race in Georgia will be heading to a December 6th runoff between pro-abortion Democrat incumbent Senator Raphael Warnock and pro-life GOP challenger Herschel Walker.

As of this writing (November 9), the candidates are separated by just 35,000 votes and under the 50% threshold needed to avoid a runoff. Warnock currently has 49.42% of the more than 3.9 million votes cast to Walker's 48.52%.

Warnock closed the race to keep his U.S. Senate seat with an ad that supports killing disabled unborn babies in eugenic, discriminatory abortions. The ad also attempts to portray his opponent, pro-life Republican candidate Herschel Walker, in a poor light, describing him as "cruel" for wanting to protect unborn babies from abortions.

Warnock, who touts himself as a "pro-choice pastor," has a 100-percent pro-abortion voting record, according to NRLC.

In his new ad, a woman named Sarah Watkins explains why she chose to abort her unborn daughter after the girl was diagnosed with a fatal disorder called Edwards syndrome. Watkins claims pro-lifers do not understand the "absolute devastation and horror of getting that phone call from a doctor telling you that child wasn't going to live." Then she bashes Walker as "cruel" for supporting laws that protect unborn babies from abortion.

In contrast, Walker is "a proud pro-life Christian" who has promised to "always stand up for our unborn children." The Republican candidate has said he believes children conceived in horrible circumstances still have worth and potential.

"You never know what a child is going to become," Walker said. "And I've seen some people, they've had some tough times, but I always said, 'No matter what, tough times make tough people."

When You Support Abortion By Your Vote, What Becomes of Your Soul?

I know many of you have seen our signs during the election season that calls your attention to the fact that if you support candidates who support abortion, what is it doing to your soul? Now I am sure some of you will think this is being judgmental but we felt it was time to tell it like it is. For too long some people have blindly going to the polls and voting for candidates that support abortion and not thinking anything about it. We felt it was time to bring it to their attention and try to get them to think about what they were doing. So to alert their conscious! Well, we are sorry if we stepped on people's toes but we put this before a group of people and asked them what they thought and it was unanimous that they don't hear it in the churches and it is time they see it on a billboard. We have had a good positive response far out weighting the negative. So, when you see these signs, think about it. We had to tell it like it is.



Signs that try to make a person think before they vote and hopefully vote pro-life!

Daviess County Right To Life Monthly Meeting is held the last week of each month at the Right To Life Office at 705 Troy Road. (Grace Baptist Church, Lower Level) **Phone: 812-486-3658**

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ber, December from 9 AM till 1 PM at the Tractor Supply parking lot (old K-Mart lot). Other pick up points around the county are from 9-12 noon. If you can help, call Louis Kavanaugh at 486-3658. It would be greatly appreciated.

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