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## EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION IS CHEMICAL ABORTION

**T**he pharmaceutical industry and the **American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists** continue the ongoing deception when they deny the incontrovertible reality that the so-called emergency contraceptive (EC) will cause a chemical abortion, destroying the life of a newly conceived baby. Unfortunately, that pill is being distributed at **St. Elizabeth Medical Center** in Northern Kentucky with the specific approval of **Bishop Roger J. Foy**

We publish herewith the very succinct but incisive exposition of the true scientific reality that the pill will cause chemical abortion. The following exposition was published by Lexington physician and Master of Public Health, **A. Patrick Schneider II, M.D.**, in response to a Northern Kentucky doctor's statement published in the local secular press:

### "Plan B's Deception

"Dr. Mueller's letter to the editor supports Plan B. I don't and offer unequivocal refuting scientific data:

"Firstly, Mueller states that Plan B 'does not cause abortion' and cites the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG).

- ACOG asserts that pregnancy begins with implantation.
- Nonetheless, Professor of Human Embryology, C. Ward Kischer, has stated, 'Virtually every human embryologist and every major textbook of human embryology states that fertilization marks the beginning of the life of the new individual human being.'
- Those who know the science best have not been duped. The 2006 edition of *Stedman's Medical Dictionary* acknowledges a member of the *International Nomina Embryologica Committee* and

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defines *conception* as the 'Fertilization of the oocyte by a sperm.'

"Secondly, Mueller can find no 'scientific proof' that Plan B prevents implantation.

- Plan B, however, equals the taking of #40 Ovrett so-called birth control pills (BCPs). The *Physician Desk Reference* (PDR) says, as it does for every BCP, that Ovrett causes 'an altering of the endometrium.'
- Accordingly, the *PDR* also states Plan B 'may inhibit implantation.'
- Dr. Kahlenborn reviewed (57 refs) the action of EC and concluded that the post-fertilization effect is 'moderately strong whether the hormonal EC is used in the preovulatory, ovulatory, or postovulatory phase of the menstrual cycle.'
- *Goodman & Gilman's* text of pharmacology concludes that because of the emergency contraceptive's (EC's) high efficacy, 'alterations in endometrial receptivity to implantation' are likely involved, especially in the second half of the menstrual cycle.
- A study of sterilized, but ovulating women found that Plan B prevented ovulation in *zero* of 30 subjects treated 3 days before, the day of ovulation, or 2 days after. Some even ovulated when the agent was given four days before mid-cycle.
- If Plan B *only* prevented ovulation, its efficacy would be 26%, not the FED estimate of 89%.
- Trussell (Mueller's other cited authority) has himself concluded, that EC pills 'appear to work primarily by inhibiting implantation of a fertilized ovum through their effect on the endometrium.'

"The truth can be difficult to accept. Plan B is an interceptive, not a contraceptive, as it works 'primarily by inhibiting implantation.' This is a clear abortifacient mechanism for anyone seeking a sound understanding of human embryology.

**A. Patrick Schneider II, M.D.**  
**February 14, 2007"**

*Other Faithful Catholic*

**Leaders Agree**  
**See NKRTL-PAC endorsements, Infra**

A lengthier and more detailed exposition of this scientific reality is contained in Dr. Schneider's professional article which is about to be published in the Catholic Medical Association's publication, *Linacre Quarterly*, c/o Catholic Medical Association, 1241 Highland Avenue, P.O. Box 920480, Needham, Massachusetts 02492.

This obvious truth is restated also in a letter to the faithful of his diocese by **Most Rev. Daniel R. Jenky, CSC, Roman Catholic Bishop of Peoria, Illinois**: "Morning-after pill destroys life," published in the February 2007 issue of *Family Resources Center News*.

Confirmation of the abortifacient effect of these so-called contraceptive pills was made also in the recently broadcast Catholic Radio (AM 740) show, Raymond Arroyo, *The World Over*, EWTN, featuring **Fr. Thomas Euteneur, President of Human Life International**, and **Dr. Thomas Hilgers, Pope Paul VI Institute**.

## LETTERS AND DONATIONS OF SUPPORT

**N**KRTL has always relied on the generosity of people of firm and unchanging principles to carry forward this essential and challenging work of the defense and advocacy of the basic and uncompromising principle of the sanctity of all innocent human life.

We receive no support from any person or agency other than our friends who realize the essential nature of our work and the absolute necessity for a voice of independent and uncompromising principle, which NKRTL has furnished for 36 years. While we are a volunteer organization, our modest annual dues of \$20.00 cannot fully support all of our activities. We thank you for, and humbly request, your ongoing generous donations.

**We are pleased to report that we continue to receive letters of prayer, support, and donations (ranging from \$2.00 to \$2,000.00), including from priests and nuns, which in fact have increased following the recent public denunciation (unspecified and undocumented) by the Catholic Diocese of Covington.**

**We publish herewith a few of the encouraging and heartwarming messages received:**

"Enclosed you will find a contribution of \$1,000.00 to be utilized to further the good works of your fine organization... Our very best wishes for continued success at Northern Kentucky Right to Life."

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"We wish you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year" [with a substantial donation].

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"God bless your efforts and continue your courage! Thank you!" [from a new member]

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"Sometimes it takes the laity to correct the error of our leaders(?)"

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"Here is \$2.00 for saving a life today. God bless you all." [from a new member]

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"At our regular monthly meeting of our Council of Knights of Columbus, I spoke of the problem with the Diocese of Covington...Enclosed is a check in assisting the Open Letter to the Bishop of Covington."

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"Enclosed is a check for the newspaper ad expense." [from a new member]

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\$20.00 cash donation from an anonymous donor

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"I am also sending a copy of some email exchange in which my son was engaged. He has always been a supporter and admirer of NKRTL and its newsletter. I will support life wherever and whenever I can, and NKRTL will always be the tops for me: If you would like to see how a TRULY pro-life organization that issues political endorsements handles their screening process, go to this link <http://nkyrtl.org/2006gen.pdf> for the downloadable survey questions and this election cycle's responses, along with the endorsements issued. The home page is <http://nkyrtl.org/>. NKRTL will endorse no one who does not answer EVERY question pro-life. Even then, if the respondent has a record that contradicts any of his answers, endorsement is withheld. Sadly, NKRTL — which was founded and populated by a very high percentage of Catholics — has been stiff armed aside by the Catholic Diocese of Covington, whose bishops prefer to play the kind of political games that end up in the likes of pro-abortionists being endorsed by 'pro-life' organizations. One such bishop has even shared the dais at a Catholic girls' HS graduation with Cincinnati's infamous Roxanne Qualls, the invited commencement speaker, who is pro-abortion, a public lesbian and, sadly, an alumna of the school. NKRTL's 'take no prisoners' approach to political endorsements has paid off in actual election results (note the number of endorsed incumbents). However, they will be the first to admit that winning elections is not the primary reason for their policies and politics. It is rather to discern and obey the will of the Lord of All in the quest to save His babies."

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"Thanks to all the workers at NKRTL." [donation from a resident at a retirement center]

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Two donations from professed nuns at a local convent

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"I have received the same reply/acknowledgment (utter silence!) as you received from Bishop Foys, in response to a different matter of great importance."

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"This is a donation for the newspaper ad. Keep up the good work."

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"Today I read the Open Letter to the Bishop of Covington, in the *Enquirer*. Thank you for this letter in informing the public of this. ...I felt the Catholic Church wasn't doing enough in the Pro-Life Movement. ...I called the Pro-Life Commission and was advised that the Diocese is not agreeing with some of the things NKRTL is doing. I told them that I was diverting my diocesan donation to NKRTL, and she got upset over the remark. I told her I would take my chances on Judgment Day with my God."

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"Thanks for the ad." [donation enclosed]

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"Thanks for all that you do." [\$300.00 donation enclosed]

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"Thanks for your help with voting!" [donation enclosed]

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"It saddens me that the most effective pro-life organization in Northern Kentucky is being shunned by the Catholic Diocese of Covington right before the election. NKRTL has a superb record of unmasking politicians who, on the issue of Pro-Life, say one thing and do the opposite. One of the fruits of the Right to Life organization is that there is no Planned Parenthood abortuary in Northern Kentucky. ...Mr. Cetrulo is a painful thorn in the side of all duplicitous politicians who try to nuance their Pro-Life message."

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"I would like to be kept updated on the Diocese of Covington deciding to betray NKRTL."

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"Just want you to know I support you and your efforts on behalf of the unborn. Your uncompromising stand is inspiring. God bless you and keep you strong!"

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"Thank you for all of your hard work for God and His children. I rely on the fact that your reward will be great in Heaven." [donation enclosed]

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A telephone caller thanked us and said she hopes we would not quit because she has no other way of knowing how to vote.

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A \$100.00 donation was enclosed in an envelope which included the story that Bishop Foys had told the priests of the Covington Diocese to stop distributing NKRTL literature. A handwritten note across the newspaper article from the donor read: "This is why I am sending \$100.00!"

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"Northern Kentucky Right to Life has been bashed for years for using 'uncharitable' methods. 'Above all - Charity' are the words that conclude the Diocese of Covington's 'Gospel of Life' Synod document. So I have to ask where's the charity?"

"If your brother has offended you then go to him in private and rebuke him — fraternal correction — the Bible teaches (Matthew 18:15). Why has Bishop Roger Foys not extended this common courtesy to his own flock?"

"While Northern Kentucky Right to Life was invited to be a part of the annual Pro-Life Diocesan Mass, Bishop Foys was telling priests not to have anything to do with Northern

Kentucky Right to Life because its 'leaders are misleading.' Then, without even having given Northern Kentucky Right to Life the common courtesy of informing them of his mandate or even what they did wrong, Bishop Foys speaks to the press about his edict.

"Is this how a shepherd takes care of his flock? If Northern Kentucky Right to Life has gone astray then why hasn't the shepherd left the 99 behind to find the one sheep that has gone astray?"

"So how will Bishop Foys' edict banning Northern Kentucky Right to Life hurt the pro-life movement? It has already begun. The Messenger, under direct order from Bishop Foys, refused to print a paid advertisement by Northern Kentucky Right to Life, which would have helped the voters in Northern Kentucky in this election. All the while, politicians who falsely call themselves 'pro-life' are allowed to publish their ads in the Messenger.

"The annual newspaper ad where thousands of names, collected after church, as a pro-life witness, will definitely be impacted. So will the Bishop's banning of the monthly liturgy for life. For over 35 years, only Northern Kentucky Right to Life has taken the initiative to organize these liturgies. Incredibly, when I served on the 'Gospel of Life' subcommittee that helped draft the bishops' synod document, the diocesan pro-life director was incensed when it was suggested that the diocese take over sponsorship of the monthly liturgy for life. I was dumbfounded when she said that the diocese already had an annual liturgy for life, and there wasn't any need for these monthly liturgies.

"No one in Northern Kentucky does what Northern Kentucky Right to Life does. Who else canvasses the politicians about their positions on abortion, euthanasia and embryonic stem cell research? Who else holds politicians accountable for what they have done or failed to do? Do you think it is pure coincidence that Northern Kentucky is the most pro-life area in Kentucky? It's not the diocese that has brought this about; no, it has been the true pro-life leadership of Northern Kentucky Right to Life." [Letter to the Editor published in the *Kentucky Post*]

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"I cannot thank you enough for your persistent efforts to expose the dirty little secrets that are hidden behind far too many diocesan office walls. It is a crying shame the single most powerful group of leaders in the nation, who could have expedited an end to abortion years ago, are too busy being accommodating to the culture. That is why we have such deep respect for Archbishop Burke, Bishop Bruskewitz, and Archbishop Chaput. If only there were 230 more like them! God bless you." [Judie Brown, President, American Life League, P.O. Box 1350, Stafford, VA 22555]

### **Negative Letters**

We have received only two negative communications, requesting that their names be removed from our mailing list. One was from a person who had never given a dime

to NKRTL in its 35 years of existence, and had been placed on the list gratuitously.

### **“Divisiveness”?**

The most common criticism levied against NKRTL (or indeed anyone who stands for objective truth), leveled by those who have no specifics to assert because their position is indeed indefensible, is the charge of “divisiveness.”

**We choose to conclude this piece with the opinion of the only One whose opinion really counts, the Lord God Himself:**

(1) “I came to cast fire upon the earth; and would that it were already kindled. ...Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division; for henceforth in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” Luke 12:49-53.

(2) The final “division” (the one that really counts) is when Jesus “separates the sheep from the goats,” based upon their actions, and sends the goats “away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.” Matthew 25:31-46.

## **EMINENT BIOETHICIST SPEAKS IN COVINGTON**

**F**r. **Tad Pacholczyk** spoke last month at a conference in Erlanger, Kentucky, on two current crucial issues: “stem cell and cloning” and “end-of-life issues.” Fr. Tad has a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Yale University, and currently serves as Director of Education at the **National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC)** in Philadelphia.

During the morning session, he presented a very clear exposition of irrefutable facts and immutable principles in the fields of cloning and stem cell research, both of which have been artfully and purposefully confused by the media and the pro-death community.

### **Cloning**

The bottom line is quite clear in each instance: “**reproductive cloning**,” the creation of a new human being as an identical twin from cells taken from another human being, is essentially and irrevocably immoral for several reasons, including the fact that such cloning in animals has overwhelmingly produced defective animals as the clone. In addition, of course, it violates the integrity and essential dignity of each and every human being, who is entitled to birth and nurture within a family, etc.

What is euphemistically called “**therapeutic cloning**” is really the identical process of creation of a human being through these artificial techniques, which human being is

created solely to be destroyed and cannibalized for useful parts.

At this point, the public is being brainwashed by the pro-death community and many in the scientific community who oppose (for the time being) “reproductive cloning,” as “Frankenstein-like,” but are advocating acceptance of so-called “therapeutic cloning” as offering the prospect of scientific advancement for the health of others. The two are attempted to be shown as totally different procedures, which is 100 percent false.

### **Stem Cell Research**

**The same “spin” is being practiced in the public arena on the question of stem cell research, whereby they assert that the Pro-Life movement and the Catholic Church are opposed to all stem cell research. That is not true.**

A stem cell is essentially a “blank” cell, capable of becoming another more differentiated cell type in the body, such as a skin cell, muscle cell, or nerve cell. Stem cells can be used to replace or heal damaged tissues and cells in the body. **The crucial question involves the source of the stem cells.**

The various stem cells types include:

- (1) Embryonic stem cells, obtained by the destruction of embryos at early stages;
- (2) Embryonic germ cells, obtained from the remains of miscarried fetuses;
- (3) Umbilical cord stem cells, which are obtained from the umbilical cord of a child upon delivery;
- (4) Placenta stem cells, obtained from the placenta of the mother after delivery; and
- (5) Adult stem cells, which are present in various tissues and organ systems of the adult.

**Morality opposes only the embryonic stem cells, since they can be obtained only with the intentional destruction of the life of the child at the early embryo stage.**

All of the other types of stem cells do not involve the intentional destruction of innocent human life, and in fact all of the successful treatments of diseases have resulted from the use of stem cells other than embryonic stem cells.

There has not been one successful treatment of any disease involving the use of embryonic stem cells; moreover, their use has indeed resulted in the growth of tumors in the patient in which the embryonic stem cells have been implanted.

All of these simple scientific facts and moral principles can be seen in more depth in Fr. Tad’s DVD, *Cutting Through the Spin on Stem Cells and Cloning*, obtainable from the NCBC, or from Fr. Tad’s brief explanatory pamphlet, *Stem Cell Research, Cloning and Human Embryos*, obtainable from **Family Research Council**, 801

G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, phone 1-800-225-4008.

**“A Tale of Two States”: Leadership!**

Fr. Tad told the story of the popular vote of the people on the issue of state funding of cloning, last November, which passed in California by a 70 to 30 percent approval and which passed in Missouri by a razor-thin margin. He pointed out that the early polls in Missouri also favored the public funding of cloning in Missouri by a 70 percent margin, until the Catholic Church there, under the prime leadership of **St. Louis Bishop Raymond Burke**, a courageous and outspoken Pro-Life leader, began a public education process and was pulling very close to the point where, had the election been a week later, they would have won.

In contrast, Fr. Tad pointed out that the bishops of California did almost nothing in terms of a public education effort on the matter, resulting in the dramatic Pro-Life defeat there. He characterized the Catholic Church as “a slumbering giant, which must be awakened!”

**End-of-Life Care - Food and Water?**

Fr. Tad explained the traditional teaching of the Catholic Church, as illustrated by the very recent pronouncement of Pope John Paul II in 2004, that **food and water constitute human care, and not medical care, to which every patient who is not in the imminent dying process is entitled, including even those who are comatose or in a so-called persistent vegetative state.**

This clear teaching of the Church is of course contrary to the recent decision a couple of years ago by the **Kentucky Supreme Court**, which held that food and water were medical care, which decision of the Court was publicly “applauded” by the four Catholic bishops of Kentucky as reported in the Covington diocesan newspaper, *The Messenger*.

A question from the audience was put to Fr. Tad as to the moral obligations of Catholic lawyers, Catholic doctors, and Catholic health institutions and their permission or use of the “designer death” formula living wills, which authorize the patient to decide, in advance, to reject food and water should he become comatose. Fr. Tad responded that while a central principle of Catholic healthcare is the autonomy of the patient, that operates only within the framework of the official moral teaching of the Catholic Church, and where those fundamental principles are violated, indeed no Catholic lawyer, doctor, or healthcare facility can cooperate in such abominations.

He described a recent case where some Catholic nuns who were in charge of a nursing home were confronted with such a document on behalf of a patient who had become comatose, and the nursing home was requested to disconnect the patient from food and hydration being furnished by a tube. He explained that the nuns refused, as they were morally obliged to do.

**NKRTL applauded the forthright defense by Fr. Tad of the crystal-clear and longstanding teaching of the**

**Roman Catholic Church as to the immorality of these living wills which authorize the withdrawal of food and water from non-dying patients. Unfortunately, these documents are in fact currently being used at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Northern Kentucky, which is promoting and defending them at the hospital, and in seminars.**

**Since Fr. Tad was the invited guest of the Diocese of Covington, we can only hope that his position, which NKRTL has been advocating with the Diocese for several years, will finally be adopted by the Diocese to bring it into compliance with the formal teaching of the Roman Catholic Church.**

**SIGNS OF THE TIMES: THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE UGLY, AND THE RIDICULOUS**

**D**iscontinuation of hormone replacement therapy by women in menopause has caused U.S. breast cancer rates to plunge dramatically, according to a major study recently reported upon at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium, and confirmed by a separate study by the American Cancer Society.

Even though the decline was greatest for those tumors whose growth is fueled by estrogen, the report fails to point out that **the offending chemical is the same chemical used in the so-called oral birth control pills!**

Meanwhile, on-again, off-again Pro-Lifer **George W. Bush** authorized the over-the-counter sale of the abortifacient drug mis-denominated as the “morning after pill.” which will undoubtedly increase dramatically the number of chemical abortions. Moreover, the dispensing of this abortifacient will lead to the birth of children with deformities because their mothers will take the pill too late, will increase ongoing promiscuity, and will result in an increase in incidences of breast cancer.

**March of Dimes continues its facilitation of the abortion movement** with a recent announcement that it was partnering with the **American Academy of Pediatrics** and the **American College of OB/GYN in a campaign to decrease the number of premature births**, citing infection, maternal or fetal stress, smoking, illicit drug use, etc. as the cause of 50 percent of premature births. **Unfortunately, they ignore the overwhelming weight of evidence in the medical literature showing a direct association between induced abortion and subsequent premature birth.**

The Vatican has just upheld the **mass excommunication** of hundreds of people in the Roman

Catholic Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska, levied by **Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz**, a courageous Catholic bishop who uncompromisingly upholds Catholic dogma. He had excommunicated all people who persisted in membership in **Call To Action**, a group which calls itself Catholic but defends abortion and artificial contraception, etc., **Planned Parenthood**, and another pro-abortion group which calls itself **Catholics for a Free Choice**: “These groups hold views and positions which are unacceptable from a doctrinal and disciplinary standpoint. Thus, to be a member of these associations or to support them is irreconcilable with a coherent living of the Catholic faith,” states Bruskewitz.

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**Pat Mullins, Executive Director of the Minnesota affiliate of Democrats for Life of America, described himself as having great optimism for the Pro-Life movement by reason of the election to Congress in this last cycle of many Pro-Life Democrats.** Five other members of Democrats for Life across the nation failed to return the voice mail message requesting an interview.

Mr. Mullins stated he didn't like the word “pro-abortion” and stated that he avoided being “pulled into an argument about *Roe v. Wade*,” but instead argued that fully funded social programs are a way to reduce abortions. He touted a measure introduced in the Congress last year by many Democrats who called themselves Pro-Life, the Pregnant Women Support Act, which would discourage abortion by insuring healthcare, childcare, support to stay in school, etc. (although he neglected to describe that one measure of that bill was to guarantee government payment for “the pill,” which of course is chemical abortion).

**Other less sanguine observers suggested that the proof of pudding will be in the eating. We need to see what clout these newly elected congressional Democrats have with their party, after their elections helped Democrats secure majority status in Congress — whether they are willing to buck their Democratic leaders when issues such as partial birth abortion and stem cell research reach center stage, and when the firm and frank position of their party platform plank supporting the wholesale killing of unborn children, indeed at taxpayers' expense, come up for vote, and when Pro-Life judicial nominations come to the Senate for confirmation.**

**How will they vote, when rhetoric faces reality?**

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It was refreshing to see the recent mailing of **U.S. Senator Sam Brownback (R)** of Kansas, soliciting answers to a questionnaire as well as donation of funds for his presidential campaign ([www.brownback.com](http://www.brownback.com)), proudly asserting his commitment as “**100 percent pro-life**,” and unembarrassingly asserting: “I am a conservative first and a Republican second.”

**Senator Brownback is the rare political candidate whose Pro-Life rhetoric is matched impeccably by his Pro-Life record.** He does indeed have a 100 percent consistent and aggressive Pro-Life record against every assault upon innocent human life: abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, cloning, and embryonic stem cell research.

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The CEO of **Girl Scouts USA** recently admitted on NBC's *Today Show* that it “**partners with Planned Parenthood across the country to bring information-based sex education programs to girls.**” A Pro-Life questionnaire sent to all 350 Scout councils resulted in an 80 percent refusal to answer, 17 councils indicating that they did associate with PPH and 49 percent that they did not.

An alternative organization exists for donation and membership, **American Heritage Girls**, which is founded upon the Judeo-Christian values upon which our country was founded. It has troops in 32 states.

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The **Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York**, has just enforced its policy, which is also the policy of the **National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB)**, prohibiting on Catholic facilities any speakers who support the killing of unborn babies. **Terry McAuliffe**, a graduate of Catholic grade school and high school, the Catholic University of America, and Georgetown University Law School, who has served as Finance Director of the Democratic National Committee, and currently as Presidential Campaign Strategist for pro-abort **New York U.S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton**. He was recently interviewed on TV and described himself as “pro-choice, no question about it,” and asserted that he can “compartmentalize that and put that aside...as can many Catholics.” McAuliffe was just prohibited from speaking at his alma mater Catholic high school in the Syracuse diocese.

Unfortunately, this policy, approved by the **Knights of Columbus** and many other organizations for many years, and in many dioceses, and adopted by the NCCB in 2004, is not followed everywhere, including the **Catholic Diocese of Covington**, which ignored it as recently as 2006.

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**Human Life International (HLI) is leading a shareholders' fight against “the baby company,” Johnson & Johnson**, which company unfortunately supports the baby killing company, **Planned Parenthood**, by large corporate donations.

Other HLI targets include CIGNA, the Dallas Cowboys, Circuit City, Forbes Broadcasting, Gannett Publications, Hurst Publications, and Kaiser Permanente.

If you can help, contact HLI at 4 Family Life Drive, Front Royal, VA 22630, [www.hli.org](http://www.hli.org).

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**A Roman Catholic Mass “in recognition of House Speaker-Nancy Pelosi” was held on January 3 at her alma mater, Trinity University, in Washington, D.C., in violation of the very clear prohibition that such politicians with pro-abortion voting records are precluded from receiving Holy Communion.**

The presiding priest, celebrating the Mass, was none other than **Fr. Robert Drinan, S.J.**, himself a former member of the U.S. Congress with a 100 percent pro-abortion voting record, who went to his final judgment just last month.

Despite the clear prohibition of such abomination by Roman Catholic Canon Law, and the clear pronouncement in June 2004 by **then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger**, Prefect of the Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith (now **Pope Benedict XVI**), Washington, D.C. **Archbishop Donald Wuerl** failed to exercise his authority to enforce Church law and prohibit the desecration of the sacrament.

#### ***When Will Those in Authority Use It?***

According to the recent book by **ALL President, Judie Brown**, *Savings Those Damned Catholics*, only 12 of 183 Roman Catholic Bishops have enforced this clear teaching of the Church and “stood up for life” as prescribed by **Pope John Paul II**.

**Archbishop George Niederauer** of San Francisco (Pelosi’s home district) remains likewise silent.

The editorial in the April 2007 *Catholic World Report* magazine addresses this critical issue and quotes the evasive responses of some of the bishops who are shirking their responsibilities as successors to the Apostles — **Cardinal McCarrick**: Not “comfortable” denying the Eucharist to pro-abortion politicians; **Cardinal Egan** of New York regarding **Mayor Giuliani** and **Governor Pataki** (“They are my friends.”); and **Archbishop Niederauer**, who said he didn’t wish to play “gatekeeper of the Eucharist.”

The editorial concluded with the observation: “As Jesus Christ told His first bishops, shepherds are gatekeepers, and when they don’t guard the gate, the flock get eaten.”

**Former Congressman Robert K. Dornan**, a longtime faithful and courageous Pro-Lifer, and currently adviser to American Life League, has urged all fellow Catholic patriots to write brief letters of distress about the many bishops who essentially let “Catholic” politicians “get away with murder,” to: His Holiness **Benedict XVI**, via **Monsignor Georg Gaenswein**, Private Secretary to the Holy Father, 00120 Via del Pellegrino, Citta del Vaticano.

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**Fr. Robert Drinan, S.J.**, served in his priestly career as a law professor at two Catholic universities, and also served 10 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he had a 100 percent pro-abortion voting record, until he was directly ordered by the Vatican to resign from Congress.

Unfortunately, “Fr. Death” (the title given to him by Pro-Life **Congressman Robert Dornan**) was permitted both by his Jesuit order as well as by the Archbishop of Washington,

D.C. to continue teaching courses on religion and government and legal ethics at Georgetown University, where he had taught some 6,000 students during his 26 years there.

On one occasion, **U.S. Senator Wendell Ford** from Kentucky justified his pro-abortion vote on a particular bill by pointing out that Fr. Drinan had supported it also. While Ford may have been disingenuous on that occasion, there can be no doubt as to the profound scandal given by Drinan’s abominable career.

As was said by Archbishop Chaput on the death of Justice Harry Blackmun, who authored the infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision, “He knows better now!”

## **ALL PRESIDENT JUDIE BROWN’S RECENT BLOCKBUSTER BOOK: SAVING THOSE DAMNED CATHOLICS**

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### ***Fatal Consequences of Failure of Numerous Priests and Bishops***

Regarding the euthanasia issue, and the killing of **Terri Schiavo**, and other cases which are documented in Judie’s book, she speaks of the silence and indeed in some cases active approval of such killings by **Bishop Thomas Kelly** of Louisville, KY, **Bishop Walter Sullivan** of Richmond, VA, and **Bishop Robert Lynch of Palm Beach, FL**, and she asks, “Where were — where are -- the bishops? ... This is the responsibility of the Church’s bishops, her priests, her moral theologians, and her bioethicists. But...*they’re the problem.*”

Judie concludes: “It is clear that ‘those damned Catholics’ are in need of assistance so that they can find and understand truth. ... Today, as in every age, there are priests and a small number of bishops who are fulfilling that role. The sad fact is, as this book makes clear, there are too few of them.”

Judie’s dedication of her book is quite instructive, and shows that these issues are more than hypothetical: “This book is dedicated to Geraldine, my best friend, confidant, and victim of watered-down Catholic teaching. She once loved the church. Then she realized that politics was more important to the priests in her parish than Catholic truth. And she left the church. May her soul rest in peace.”

Her book brings to mind the clear public teaching of that great defender of the faith, **Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**, more than 30 years ago: “Who is going to save our Church? Not our bishops, not our priests and religious. It is up to you, the people. You have the minds, the eyes, the ears to save the Church. Your mission is to see that your priests act like priests, your bishops act like bishops, and your religious act like religious.”

**Judie summed it up in her concluding chapter: “We are called to stand up for the truth, and that is a task each of us must do.”**

Judie's book can be obtained from American Life League for \$28.79 hardback and \$18.69 soft cover, by sending a check to American Life League, P.O. Box 1350, Stafford, VA 22555, or by telephone purchase (credit card), calling toll-free 1-866-LET-LIVE.

## ALL PRESIDENT JUDIE BROWN'S RECENT BLOCKBUSTER BOOK: *SAVING THOSE DAMNED CATHOLICS*

“This book is not for sissies,” states the Introduction of the book by author **Judie Brown**, long time President of **American Life League**, an orthodox and uncompromising national Pro-Life organization.

She documents, with specific reference to specific names and places, the tragic violations of Church doctrine in multiple respects, and asserts boldly that while there are many contributing causes, the ultimate cause is quite clear: **“It is rare for a bishop to act decisively in these matters.”**

One specific example that she refers to is the clear and frequent violation of the unambiguous law of the Catholic Church, Canon Law 915, which prohibits the reception of Communion by a person who is in known and continuous public serious sin, such as a politician who consistently votes for the killing of unborn babies. In this instance, the **U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)** wrote to the Vatican just before the 2004 elections and received a response from then-**Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger**, of the **Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith**, which quite clearly enunciated the rule that **in such an instance the politician's “pastor should meet with him, instructing him about the church's teaching, informing him that he is not to present himself for Holy Communion until he brings to an end the objective situation of sin and warning him that he will otherwise be denied the Eucharist.”**

Then-USCCB Chairman of the Pro-Life Commission, **Cardinal Theodore McCarrick**, who was Archbishop of Washington, D.C., failed to give the entire text to the USCCB, and misled them as to its contents, so that no appropriate action was taken by the Conference.

In fact, Judie points out that individually, only 12 of the 183 Roman Catholic Bishops in the United States have enforced this clear teaching of the Church, and “stood up for life” as proposed by Pope John Paul II.

### ***Reactions by Faithful Pro-Lifers***

Endorsements on the jacket of her book are worth noting:

“Judie's call for authentic leadership from the nation's bishops and priests is key to rejuvenating the Catholic Church's role in American life.” **Joe Scheidler, President, Pro-Life Action League**

“With wit, insight, and fearless presentation of the facts, *Savings Those Damned Catholics* shreds the ‘seamless garments’ most Catholic bishops use to cloak their sinfully silent consent to legalized abortion.” **Former Congressman Robert K. Dornan**

“Judie Brown has never been one to sit back and let the devil have his way. Her great new work, *Savings Those Damned Catholics*, tells it like it is.” **Fr. Tom Euteneur, President, Human Life International**

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