

Right to Life League Life and Times

The Right to Life League of Southern California is an education and service organization dedicated to the support and protection of innocent human life from conception to natural death.

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... to all generous donors who sponsored the event!

... to all participants and attendees!

... to all walkers who sponsored The League!

... to the boys of St. Francis, especially, Alex Ho!



Over the past 40 years, The Right to Life League of Southern California has grown to be a presence in California to counter the effects of both the "Therapeutic Abortion Act" of 1967 and the "Roe W. Wade" Supreme Court decision of 1973 through its mission of education and service. And, as issues involving sick, disabled, and elderly became popular targets for anti-life groups, The League recognized the importance of defending all life from Conception until Natural Death.

Loving Our Enemies

To be a disciple of Jesus means that, at some point, we will be hated. We will make enemies. It happened to Jesus, and He assured us that it will happen to us:

"But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." (Luke 6:27-28)

This is a challenge we face daily as human beings, but encounter often as supporters of the Pro-Life Movement:

- How do I not let a bitter word ruin my day?
- How do I not demonize others when they oppose me?
- How do I remain warm in the face of bitterness?

Jesus loved His enemies. Make Him your example.

"He did it by falling on his knees to ask for the help of the One who can do in us what we cannot do for ourselves." (Rev. Ronald Rolheiser, OMI)

This Lent, may we be renewed in mind, heart, and spirit. May we keep our sights on the eternal reward that awaits us for being the 'faithful servants' that God calls us to be. May we remember that the sorrows of this world are but a passing moment. May we remember the log in our own eye before pointing out the log in another's. As Mother Teresa said:

"If you judge people, you have no time to love them."

Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Events



Right to Life League

"Tournament Fore Life"

June 6, 2011

La Canada Flintridge Country Club

10:30am Registration/12:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Shotgun Start/5:00pm Cocktails & Dinner

Join us for a day of
FUN
on the Golf Course,
Dinner, Contests,
Auction, Raffle Prizes
and **MORE!**

**TO REGISTER, AND
FOR MORE
INFORMATION,
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WWW.RTLLSC.ORG**

Annual Benefit Dinner

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Easter Blessings



It's time again to receive a small surprise gift for Mother's Day from the Auxiliary of the Pregnancy Help Center of the San Gabriel Valley. The ladies are busy wrapping the 1,500 gifts; one of them might be dropped off at your front door. Why? To make you aware of the wonderful services the Clinic provides. In return, you might make a donation to the PHC to help pregnant women who have financial obstacles to a happy pregnancy.

If you would like to be included in this extraordinary gift project for Mother's Day, please contact **Anne Zwart** at (626) 449-9882.



Congratulations!

...to the winner of our  Pro-Life Slogan Contest

"I'm Happy I Wasn't An Option!"



As promised, we are rewarding you with a \$25 iTunes Gift Card for coining the most innovative Pro-Life Slogan at the first-annual walk4LIFEsocial!



Dear Friend,

Make a difference this Mother's Day by helping us support young moms facing unplanned pregnancies. Many of the women our clinics serve are single mothers who find themselves alone as they take on the new responsibility of raising a child.

Many have made the difficult decision to give birth to their baby when many around them were pushing them to end their pregnancy. It took great courage for them to choose life. They need to know they are not alone on their journey.

Many we serve are making choices that will impact them and their children forever. Will you help us support, love and encourage these women? Your gift enables us to offer them education, practical assistance and most of all hope. In return, I would like to include your mother or honoree in the Mothers' Day Masses the League is having said in their honor. Or, perhaps you'd also like to **honor your mother** or another person important to you.

Giving your most generous gift today will certainly make a difference for a lifetime.

With your permission, we'll acknowledge your gift (and person you choose to honor) in an upcoming newsletter per your request on the response card below. Please respond by May 6 to be included.

With warm appreciation,

Anne Hennessy
 Executive Director

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Lives Saved By Your Donations!



This month, we have two stories to share with your readers, because of their support! First, a young woman entered our center saying, "I need an abortion, I just found out I'm 17 weeks pregnant. I can't handle a baby right now." We listened to her story and affirmed her fears. Then, the opportunity to educate her presented itself: We taught her what stage of development her baby had reached, and gave her a pamphlet on the different abortion procedures.

After she had time to process the information, we called her and presented the idea of adoption. Her biggest fear was that her baby would end up in foster care, like she had. We then called the adoption agency to provide her with answers to the many questions she feared. By the end of our phone call she had begun to develop an adoption plan that brought her peace.

Another woman came to see us, looking for information about RU 486. She is a full time student, and graduates this coming January. As she began to relate her story to our center staff, she began to tear up saying, "I never thought I would have an abortion." We then gave her information from the CDC that states 85% of women suffer from some degree of PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) after an abortion. As she was already visibly upset, we explained to her that she could easily be one of those 85% to suffer from PTSD. She then decided to choose Life. At that same moment she received a text message from her boyfriend asking, "Are you sure you want to do this?" God was intervening through her boyfriend as she and I were speaking! God is so good!

Will YOU consider donating to The League, so our clinics will thrive, and even more babies will be saved?

Dear Friends of the League,

On the heels of the overwhelming success of our first-annual walk4LIFEsocial, I am reminded of a quote:

"Do not wait for leaders: do it alone, person to person." ~Mother Teresa

Over 5,000 Pro-Life Supporters—from toddlers to retirees—gathered at the Rose Bowl to celebrate life last month. Do you know how this idea was conceived? A pizza party attended by a dozen parents and teens entitled, "What's a Pro-Life Club All About?" held November 3, 2009 at The League Headquarters!

You, too, can make a difference; *one plus God makes an army!* A Pro-Life world begins with YOU:

- * Host coffee/tea/snacks for your friends, and invite one of our staff to give an inspiring presentation!
- * Commit to supporting The League each month!
- * Spread the word! "Like" us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter, and add our website to your email signature!

Join the movement! Thank you for your continue support of The League—I look forward to hearing from each of you.

Anne Hennessy, *Executive Director*

