



UNIQUE FROM DAY ONE

“Unique from Day One” is the theme for the 2019 March for Life event (above photo from marchforlife.org).

Defend Life Nationwide: Participate in the 2019 March for Life

Demonstrate your love for life at the 46th Annual March for Life on Friday, January 18, 2019, in Washington D.C. The theme of this March for Life is “Unique from Day One” which reaffirms what science has already proven—that life begins at fertilization and our DNA is unique from anyone else’s. More event details are available online at marchforlife.org.

Looking for a bus?

There may be a bus near you that still has empty seats. See our webpage at prolifeunion.org/events/march-for-life to find one and go with a group close to you.

Can't go to Washington D.C.? Join these local efforts:

- Jan. 18—Prayer Rally will take place at 12:00 p.m. outside Planned Parenthood in Warminster (610 Louis Drive).
- Jan. 20—The 26th Annual Chester County March for Life will occur at 2:30 p.m. with program inside St. Agnes Church (West Chester); then march to old Chester County courthouse.



Recruit, Recruit, Recruit

Tom Stevens, President and CEO, Pro-Life Union

In 9th grade, a substitute teacher called me up to her desk. Her breath smelled like cigarette smoke and coffee. I’ll never forget her words. “Tommy, I want you to do something for me. Go on a weekend retreat. It’s called Antioch, a few other kids from our high school are going. If you don’t like it...I’ll give you a brand new car from my husband’s Mercedes dealership.” She gave me a proposition that got my attention. I went and of course, I liked it.

My substitute teacher (in a public high school) recruited me. What are you and I going to do to recruit someone into the pro-life movement this month? You can do it! So can I. This month it’s easy. Invite five people (at least one will say yes) to the March for Life. Next month, look for another way to recruit.

Jim Owens (now Deacon Jim Owens) recruited me into the pro-life movement many years ago. He simply invited me to come to the Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Mass and pray in front of Planned Parenthood in Center City.

Who can you recruit today? Make it your New Year’s resolution. There is a generation counting on you. Just do it.

PA Supreme Court: Drug Use During Pregnancy Isn’t Child Abuse; Definition of ‘Child’ Does Not Include the Unborn

On Dec. 28, 2018, Pennsylvania’s highest court ruled that mothers who use illegal drugs while pregnant aren’t committing child abuse. The court said the law’s definition of a child doesn’t include fetuses or unborn children.



Picture (above) from the “Unplanned” film’s official Facebook page.

New Film *Unplanned* Depicts Former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director’s Journey from Pro-Choice to Pro-Life

The name Abby Johnson is recognizable among the pro-life and pro-choice communities because of her advocacy for both sides of the conversation. The film *Unplanned*, to be released in Spring 2019, shows Abby’s transformation as one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors to one of the most passionate pro-life advocates in the United States.

This true story chronicles her work at Planned Parenthood where she was involved in approximately 22,000 abortions and fought for women’s reproductive choices. But after watching an ultrasound-guided abortion happening to a 13 week-old unborn baby, Abby resigned from the clinic. The graphic sighting of this abortion procedure changed her beliefs, inspiring Abby to publicly defend the sanctity of human life. She has also written two books about her career at Planned Parenthood and conversion to the pro-life movement. Visit unplannedfilm.com for the latest news about the film’s release date in theaters, tickets and other information.

New Member Organization Spotlight

The Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia welcomes another new member organization, St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family and Faith, located in Philadelphia. It expresses the fourth vow of the friars of the Mercedarian Religious



Order in the United States, which is the “willingness to give our lives for those who are in danger of losing their faith.” The foundation supports the strengthening of bonds in family life and does outreach to families in crisis. The initial mission is outreach to families and individuals affected by divorce and separation. For more information, visit their website at www.nonnatus.org.

**Pregnant?
We Can Help!**

**Text 484-451-8104 or
call 610-626-4006.**



Picture (above) from the 37th Annual Stand Up For Life Dinner on November 18, 2018, in Center City.

Pro-Life Union's Goals for 2019

Thank you for helping us proclaim the sanctity of life and assist those who are making the choice for life!

Here are some of the goals that the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia set for 2019:

- Conduct high-profile awareness campaigns on street corners in the areas of the two largest abortion centers in Pennsylvania.
- Create a step-up housing program so women can more easily enter independent living after being housed in a home for single mothers.
- Launch tool kits for high schools and parish groups to use about the topics of abortion and euthanasia.
- Recruit, train and support 5 new activists to become public affairs witnesses educating our state representatives.
- Activate a creative and significant advertising initiative throughout the Philadelphia region for the Pregnancy Hotline letting women know that as they choose life, we are here to help them.

Let's work together to save lives, one heartbeat at a time! If you would like to financially support our plans, visit the Pro-Life Union's giving page at prolifeunion.org/give or fill out the form below.

New Planned Parenthood President's Polished Mantra

Leana Wen, Planned Parenthood's president, is a public relations dream come true...if you want to continue promoting abortion. Time after time in interviews and marketing pieces, Wen portrays herself as a compassionate mother and physician, and gets away with avoiding the word 'abortion' entirely. It's the perfect encapsulation of why Planned Parenthood's marketing has been so successful and why so many Americans are blissfully unaware that the group performs hundreds of thousands of abortions every year, all while passing itself off as indispensable health care. The mantra 'indispensable healthcare' is repeated once a minute, while in reality, Planned Parenthood does very little healthcare outside the realm of sexual health. Aside from abortion, its most common offerings are STD tests and birth control. In the United States, Planned Parenthood performed 83 abortions for every *one* adoption referral, and its prenatal services have dropped every year since 2009, from over 40,000 that year to just under 8,000.



Memorial Crosses

A very poignant way to educate folks about the travesty of abortion is our Memorial Cross display. White crosses are placed on lawns of churches and schools with a sign which explains that each cross represents one million abortions in the United States since the 1973 Roe vs. Wade ruling. The crosses usually stay at a location for one month and they will be delivered, set up and retrieved by a volunteer from the PLU. Please consider asking your pastor or school principal to host this moving memorial display. Call Anne Hinnegan at 215-885-8150 to schedule.



5th Annual Vigil & Memorial Mass Remembering John P. Stanton

Join us on Saturday, January 26, to remember the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia's founder John Stanton. We will begin with a prayer vigil at 8:00 a.m. outside Philadelphia Women's Center (777 Appletree St., Philadelphia, PA 19106), followed by Mass at 9:30 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Church (915 Vine St., Philadelphia, PA 19107). Afterwards, there will be a reception with light refreshments served.



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We envision a Greater Philadelphia with no abortion or euthanasia.

Support life. Give today.

Yes! I want to fight to end abortion, provide alternatives to vulnerable families, support Guiding Star and promote the Culture of Life. Enclosed is my donation of \$_____ to help the Pro-Life Union's efforts in Greater Philadelphia.

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I would like to become a monthly "Lifeline" donor! Please charge my credit card \$_____ each month.

I would like to make a one-time donation of \$_____ charged to my credit card.

"We're Having a Clump of Cells!!" --said no one EVER (verbiage from a March for Life participant's sign)