

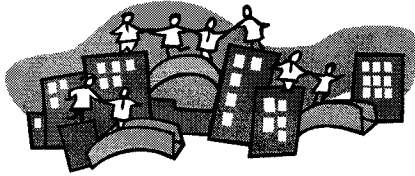


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Roe Week Events in Waco

January marks the lamentable anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court Roe v Wade decision that smashed all state laws restricting abortion and fabricated a constitutional right to kill the unborn throughout all nine months of pregnancy.

The court majority thought depersonalizing the unborn would resolve the issue of abortion in American.

The moral outrage of Roe is seen in the growing opposition to abortion and support for pregnant women.

As in past years, Planned Parenthood of Central Texas will be silent about their beloved court decision. The supporters of the Gospel of Life will not be silent in Central Texas. In Waco, the Bishop of Austin will celebrate the second annual **Respect Life Mass** at St. Mary's Church on the evening of **Friday, January 16**. In the morning of **Saturday, January 17**, the **Rosary for Life** will be prayed in front of the Planned Parenthood abortuary on Columbus Avenue. On **Sunday, January 18**, **Pro-Life Waco** will have its third annual **pasta luncheon/silent auction fundraiser**. In the afternoon of **January 18**, **Elijah Ministries** will hold a **Roe v Wade Memorial Service** at Rachel's Park. Finally, on **Friday, January 30**, **Bears for Life** will host **Jennifer Morse of the Hoover Institution**. She will deliver a Baylor speech on the myths of the sexual revolution.

All of these events will take place in Waco. There will be many other events in other Texas cities and, of course, the **March for Life on January 22** in our nation's capital. The March for Life can be viewed on EWTN. The 6-hour broadcast begins at 10 a.m., with an encore at 9 p.m.

Much of the local section of this issue of *Pro-Life News* is devoted to January events in Waco.

Thank you for praying, working, financially supporting, boycotting, and educating for the Culture of Life in 2003. We are including a summary of major events and accomplishments of pro-life activism in Waco during the past year.

Let us continue to work together in support of the Gospel of Life in 2004 and pray for God's blessings.

**Bishop Gregory Aymond
Will Celebrate 2nd Annual
Respect Life Mass in Waco**

Friday, January 16, 2004

In recognition of the passing 31 years since the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision.

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waco
14th Street & Washington Ave.

Sponsored by Office of Pro-Life Activities
of the Diocese of Austin

Mass at 7 p.m.

Reception for Bishop Aymond
follows at the parish hall at 15th &
Columbus.

We are honored to have Bishop Aymond with us for this special evening. Bishop Aymond will celebrate three Respect Life Masses during "Roe week" - one in Austin, one in College Station, and one here in Waco. The Mass was beautiful and well-attended last year. Let's make this annual event even better in 2004.

Rosary Prayer Vigil at Abortuary

Saturday, January 17

10 a.m. to noon

at PPCT Abortion Clinic

1927 Columbus Avenue

One of the four Missionary Images of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be with us at the Planned Parenthood abortuary on Saturday morning. The image is a precise replica of the actual Our Lady of Guadalupe image on display in Mexico City. Four such images are touring the U.S. with frequent prayer vigils at abortion clinics.

Beginning at 10 a.m., the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous mysteries will be prayed on the half hour. Please come for all or part of this morning of prayer.

Roe v Wade Memorial Service

Sunday, January 18

Starting at 3 p.m.

At Rachel's Park Memorial

4720 N. 19th Street
(Church on the Rock)

Speakers will include Molly White (the Texas leader of Silent No More Ministries) Wes Riddle (a candidate for U.S. Congress) and Rev. Rusty Thomas (Founder and Director of Elijah Ministries).

This is event is organized by Rusty Thomas who is also the founder of Rachel's Park Memorial. If you have not seen the stunning Rachel's Park Memorial, don't miss this opportunity to see the memorial and be a part of this memorial service.

**Third Annual
Pro-Life Waco
Pasta Luncheon &
Silent Auction Fundraiser**

Sunday, January 18

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at KC Hall

5515 Sanger Avenue (Richland & Sanger)



What a meal! Penne pasta, meatballs, Italian appetizer, bread, salad, dessert and drink. All for:

\$6 for adults.

\$3 for children 12 and under.

Toddlers free.

Unborn babies and their moms free.

And a terrific silent auction.

Over 50 items, including a fun evening on a houseboat on Lake Waco for a party of up to 25, full year membership in Curves (women's fitness), an American flag flown over the capitol, hand made furniture and other crafts, gift certificates to local restaurants, automotive service, and much more.



Live accordion music!

**Jennifer Morse will Debunk
Sexual Revolution at Baylor**



Jennifer Morse, Research Fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, will speak during the noon hour on the Baylor campus Friday, January 30. The location is Kayser Auditorium in the Hankamer Business Building. The event is sponsored by the Bears for Life student organization.

The topic of her speech will be, "Myths of the Sexual Revolution: Why Recreational Sex is No Fun and Free Sex Is So Expensive."

Jennifer is a prolific author, a columnist, and a popular guest on public affair programs.



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Jenny's most recent book is, Love and Economics: Why the Laissez-Faire Family Doesn't Work (Spence Publishing, 2001)

Here are detailed instructions for getting to the Jennifer Morse event.

Traveling on I-35, take the University Parks Drive exit (exit 335B).

Turn on University Parks Drive toward Baylor. Now travel on University Parks Drive .7 mile to Bagby (second stop light) and take a right.

Travel on Bagby .4 mile to Speight (first stop sign) and turn right.

Travel on Speight .3 mile and you will reach a barricade dead end.

Just to the left of the barricade (vertical pipes) is a four-story parking garage. There will be plenty of parking in the parking garage.

You may have to go up a level or two.

The Hankamer Business Building is adjacent to the parking garage. I have been assured that visitors will not get tickets as long as they stay out of handicapped. There will be no need to find a special visitors parking space.

2nd Sunday Pro-Life Gathering

Lunch served noon to 1 p.m.

Speaker and pro-life planning 1-2 p.m.

Feb. 8 • March 13

Pro-Life Waco invites you to become a part of the growing Central Texas pro-life movement. Enjoy a great meal with pro-life friends.

A pasta and meatballs luncheon (real Italian) served at St. Mary's parish hall (15th Street and Columbus Avenue). Suggested lunch donation of \$3 for adults.

With the grace of God, will are winning the battle for respect for life in our city.

We will wrap up by 2 p.m. at the latest.

Upholding the Culture of Life 2003 Year in Review

So much has happened in 2003. Here is a list of major events in pro-life activism. This is just the high points in the battle against the Culture of Death.

January 22. Abortion Assembly (Teach-In) on Baylor campus sponsored by Bears for Life. Three Baylor professors deliver pro-life presentations and respond to questions.

January 23. First annual Respect Life Mass. Bishop Gregory Aymond at St. Mary's Church.

January 25. Memorial to the Unknown Baby. Elijah Ministries and Church on the Rock organize a Roe anniversary event giving honor to a pre-born aborted baby with events at Heritage Square in downtown Waco and at Church on the Rock.

March 23. Frederica Mathewes-Green speaks on the Baylor campus sponsored by Bears for Life. Her topic is "Roe v Wade at 30: Facing the Realities"

March 25. First annual Mass for the Unborn at St. Mary's Church. Knights of Columbus #1358.

April 10. *Waco Tribune Herald* reports that two lawsuits, one led by Donna Jernigan and the other by Rusty Thomas, were filed against Planned Parenthood of Central Texas challenging the inclusion of the PPCT library in the Waco public library system.

May 14. *Waco Tribune-Herald* reports that Planned Parenthood of Central Texas has buckled under legal pressure and will withdraw from the arrangement that would have brought its library into the public library system. Pam Smallwood claims the decision was made to protect the safety of PPCT's clients.

July 1. *Waco Tribune-Herald* reports that Planned Parenthood of Central Texas has agreed to pay all court costs for the plaintiffs in the library law suit brought by Donna Jernigan.

July 15. Donna Jernigan leads press conference in front of the Planned Parenthood abortuary calling attention to the damaging book, *It's Perfectly Normal*, and Planned Parenthood's plans to give the book to youths attending the Nobody's Fool conference.

August 10. Pro-life Waco yard sign distribution begins.

September 24. *Waco Tribune-Herald* reports that Gary Heavin, founder and CEO of Curves International, will donate \$5 million over five years to the Waco Family Practice Center, CareNet Pregnancy Center, and the McLennan County Collaborative Abstinence Project.

October 5. Life Chain Sunday on Valley Mills Drive organized by Waco Right to Life.

October 3-11. Waco Right to Life organizes pro-life booth at the Heart of Texas Fair. Effective pro-life messages reached thousands.

October 17. Molly White and friends hold press conference in front of Waco Planned Parenthood abortuary. Molly and others who spoke are pro-abortive women who proclaimed the harm that their abortions had inflicted on them and their families.

October 24. Second Annual Bishop's Respect Life Dinner in Waco. Bishop Gregory Aymond honors the Gabriel Project outreach to pregnant women and Waco coordinator, Barb Myers.

November 5. Rusty Thomas hosts a visit from Missionaries to the Unborn in a stirring outreach at Waco abortuary and at schools.

November 9. At Second Sunday pro-life gathering, Bill McBride announces campaign to raise the funds to display two pro-life billboards near Waco on I-35.

November 13. Sandy Rios, President of Concern Women for American, speaks at a Bears for Life Event on the Baylor campus. Her topic

was "Hidden Truth: What Women Deserve to Know about Abortion."

Thanks for all you have done in pro-life discipleship in 2003. Let's continue to pray and stand for life in 2004!! We are off to a good start. On Jan. 6, KCEN-TV interviewed Pam Smallwood and our Barb Myers on the Women's Right to Know brochure. Barb was able to point out the deception of PPCT abortion "counseling."

Pro-Life Letters to the Trib

One very powerful pro-life outreach is letter writing to the Waco Trib. (A large portion of our letters are printed.) We battered Planned Parenthood and other abortion enthusiasts in 2003. Let's keep it up in 2004.

Thanks for newsletter support

We appreciate your support for the effort to uphold life and end abortion in Waco. Thanks to the special couple for sponsoring this issue of *Pro-Life News*. We deeply appreciate all our supporters (and do not publicize names).

5,560 Waco babies killed
(estimated)

by Planned Parenthood since 1994

Please pray and stand for life!!

Each Wednesday between 7 a.m. & 1 p.m. at the PPCT abortuary (1927 Columbus Avenue). Your pro-life friends (old and new) are there to stand and pray for life on Waco's regrettable day of abortion. Our numbers are growing. Please consider coming out to stand and pray for life for as little as 30 minutes on Wednesday. The PPCT is a moral stain on our city. Let us stand together for decency and for life in our city.

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