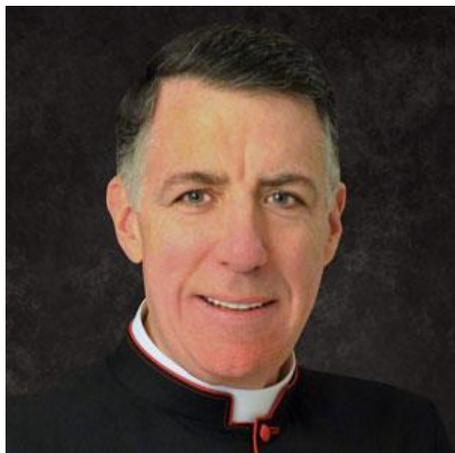


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Bishop Blasts Assisted Suicide Legalization

In a letter to his diocese, Bishop James Checchio of Metuchen described assisted suicide as a grievous affront to the dignity of human life that can never be

morally justified. "Passage of this law points to the utter failure of government, and indeed all society, to care truly, authentically and humanely for the suffering and vulnerable in our midst, especially those living with an incurable disease as well as the frail elderly, the infirm and those living with disabilities," said Checchio. The *Medical Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act* allows mentally competent New Jersey residents with a terminal diagnosis and six months to live to request medication to end their lives. The law, which came into effect August 1, mandates that patients self-administer the deadly drugs.

[NCR](#), 7/31/19

Man Awakens from Five-Year Coma

Li Zhihua, from Hubei Province, sustained serious brain injuries in a traffic accident in 2013. His wife, 57-year-old Zhang Guihuan, became his sole caregiver and slept no more than three hours a day in order to clean, feed and talk to him. Upon waking, Mr. Li said, "Wife, I love you!" Dr. Wan Qing'an recalled, "When he was taken to the hospital, he was in a vegetative state. He could not respond to anything." Ms. Zhang refused to accept the diagnosis that he could be in a persistent vegetative state, and wanted to prove the doctors wrong. Day-in and day-out, the determined spouse stayed next to Mr. Li's bed to chat with him and play his favorite songs, hoping his condition would improve. "These things were very helpful to stimulate his nervous system," Dr. Wan said. Mr. Li miraculously regained consciousness last year, and has progressed in rehabilitation since. "I have never thought about giving up. As long as he is alive, I will keep serving him," said Ms. Zhang.

[Daily Mail](#), 8/22/19

NIH Research Guidelines Revised

The National Institutes of Health have issued new guidelines that restrict taxpayer-funded research from using the body parts of electively aborted babies. Human tissue donated from miscarried babies would not be subjected to the new restrictions. [LifeNews.com](#), 7/29/19

PA Bill Would Ban Abortion of Unborn Babies with Beating Hearts

Despite the court battles playing out in other states (Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Ohio) over laws enacted to ban abortion from the moment a fetal heartbeat is detected, two Pennsylvania lawmakers are undeterred in their pursuit for a similar law here. Sen. Doug Mastriano of Franklin County, and Rep. Stephanie Borowicz of Clinton County, are teaming up to push for a state law that they refer to as a "heartbeat bill." The science that justified abortion in the 1960s isn't the science of today that "shows more than 90% of all pregnancies are viable when a heartbeat is detected," [Mastriano said in a memo](#) he is circulating to garner support from his Senate colleagues. He told PennLive, "I want to fight for their lives, the most innocent people in the world. They have a right to live, too." [In her co-sponsorship memo, Borowicz states](#) to her House colleagues, "This legislation will be another great rallying cry for us to save babies around this state and possibly around the nation." PA's abortion law allows the procedure up to 24 weeks of pregnancy for any reason except to choose the gender. Abortions can be performed after that if the woman's health is in danger. Planned Parenthood Pennsylvania Advocates oppose this latest abortion proposal, just as they did with another abortion bill ([vetoed in 2017](#)) that would have banned abortions after 20 weeks, and another measure that [bans abortions on the basis of a prenatal Down syndrome diagnosis](#). However, supporters of several of the abortion laws enacted this year have made known their immediate goal is to bring their cases to the U.S. Supreme Court, which has a five-member conservative majority. Their ultimate goal is overturning the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision that legalized abortion.

[PennLive.com](#), 8/7/19

Subscriptions Drop Following Netflix Threat to Boycott Pro-Life Georgia

Netflix's latest quarterly report shows the streaming service giant experienced a chill in growth with its first quarterly loss of paid domestic subscribers in eight years. The historic loss of 126,000 customers came in the same quarter as Netflix's decision to take a stance against Georgia's pro-life "heartbeat bill" signed into law May 7. Set to go into effect on Jan. 1, the law imposes restrictions on abortion after a fetal heartbeat can be detected.

LifeNews.com, 7/19/19

Modern Apps on Natural Family Planning Draw Millennials

More millennials than ever are turning to Fertility Awareness Based Methods (FABMs), not simply for a natural way to plan their families, but as a way to keep track of their bodily health and well-being without putting hormones or artificial devices into their bodies. New digital technology has been transforming FABM. One example is the app-based [FEMM \(Fertility Education and Medical Management\) Health](#) system. Alarmed that over 400,000 worldwide have downloaded the app, pro-abortion groups allege a hidden pro-life agenda. [NCR](#), 7/16/19

Creative Videos Deliver Pro-Life Message

Canadian Laura Klassen has created some pithy videos that advocate for life in unusual but thought-provoking ways. Check out the #JustSaying Series at:

CHOICE42.com

Pitch the Pill

Besides being contrary to the [Catholic Church's teaching](#) on the use of contraceptives as a form of pregnancy prevention, using the pill can cause very serious side effects:

1. The [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) classifies the pill as a Group 1 Carcinogen, along with asbestos, smoking, and mustard gas.
2. It's been cited by studies to cause weight gain, depression, and [blood clots](#), and it increases the risk of breast, liver, and cervical cancer.
3. It makes you [more attracted](#) to men who are genetically similar to you.
4. It releases estrogen into [natural water sources](#).
5. It can act as an [abortifacient](#), not just as a contraceptive.
6. These side effects are explained in a [video](#) by Catholic speaker Jackie Francois Angel.

[ChurchPop](#), 7/28/19



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Symantec has been on The Boycott List since November 2004 and we last wrote to them in February

Many Colleges Have a Pro-life Presence

Launched in 1997, a large branch of the [Leadership Institute](#) called the "Campus Leadership Program" helps conservative students on college campuses organize conservative groups and publications, and gives them support against radicals who dominate the faculty, administration, and campus life at many American colleges. Today the organization has 2039 student groups on 804 campuses in all 50 states. One well-known group is [Students-for-Life](#). If you know of any college student who may want to connect with a campus pro-life group, contact Dianne Machesney at diannem15237@aol.com—OR the Leadership Institute at 703-247-2000 and ask for the "Campus Leadership Program Directory."

Get UNPLANNED

The controversial pro-life movie UNPLANNED is now available in Walmart and other retail stores, bringing the transformational story of former Planned Parenthood clinic director Abby Johnson to homes around the world while the film continues to be released in theaters globally. The UNPLANNED DVD, Blu-ray and digital includes a booklet with a devotional from *Save-the-Storks*, interviews with Abby Johnson, a making-of featurette, deleted scenes and trailers, and Matthew West's UNPLANNED official music video. Watch the [trailer for the UNPLANNED DVD](#). For the DVD, visit www.seeunplanned.com.

[Christian Newswire](#), 8/13/19

Tell him to stop funding Planned Parenthood
