



Saying NO to Assisted Suicide



Bill C-62, the bill to delay implementation of euthanasia for mental illness until March 2027, was passed by the Senate on February 29, 2024. At a Parliamentary press conference on February 27th, the **Euthanasia Prevention Coalition urged the government to block all expansions of euthanasia in Canada.**

While welcoming the delay, EPC opposes euthanasia and emphasizes that **Canada has a responsibility to offer proper remedies for those suffering** mental illness, such as access to psychiatrists and social workers as well as a wide variety of alternative treatments including art, music, dance, recreation, pet and other therapies. Canada should also provide free medications, affordable housing and food security to help with rehabilitation. **"People don't want to die, they just want to end their psychological distress."**

~ [Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, March 2024](#)

Now that Bill C-62 has passed, **Inclusion Canada**, the national organization of persons with intellectual disabilities and their families, **is calling for track two to be repealed and for the government to make significant investments in community-based disability support and mental health care.** Currently, the law offers assisted suicide to people with a disability whose death is not reasonably foreseeable under "track two". Moira Wilson, President of Inclusion Canada, says "We want our children to be fully valued as equal citizens, supported to live good lives and be fully included in the community, not offered state-assisted suicide..."

~ [Inclusion Canada, February 2024](#)

Euthanasia Poisons People and Society

Euthanasia and/or assisted suicide has been legalized throughout the Western world, and as predicted by Wesley J. Smith in Newsweek in 1993:

- the practice has not only increased in numbers but **expanded exponentially**
- **people killed by euthanasia are** increasingly being looked upon by doctors and society as splendid **sources of organs**. In Ontario, once the patient is accepted for a lethal injection, the soon-to-be-killed person is asked for their heart, liver, lungs, and kidneys.
- most of the media are euthanasia-friendly, whereas euthanasia abuses and horror stories generally receive little media attention.



The “slippery slope” is not only real but has become an avalanche of abuse and abandonment.

Large percentages of **people** in Canada **now support euthanasia as a remedy for the suffering caused by adverse social conditions**. **Euthanasia is being used as a substitute for care**. The societal damage expands exponentially as time passes and a people accept doctor-hastened death as normal. **Transforming killing from a negative into a benevolent means of eliminating suffering changes public morality**. **The dangerous force driving euthanasia, of course, is money** - saving billions in the healthcare system over time.

~ [*The Human Life Review, March 2024*](#)

Spring Social for Life



GUEST SPEAKER
Kathy Matusiak Costa
Compassionate Community Care

SAVING LIVES
FROM ASSISTED SUICIDE
& HOW YOU CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE

Friday, April 19, 2024
7:30 pm

Holy Trinity Parish
1420 Devonshire Ave.
Woodstock

PLEASE CALL 519-421-0029 BY APRIL 16 TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING



Saving Lives from Assisted Suicide & How You Can Make a Difference

Join us for an evening of pro-life fellowship and inspiration from the frontlines of Compassionate Community Care's hotline!

The proceeds of this **fundraising event** will go toward our **"Your Life is Worth Living" postcard campaign** which will distribute information postcards to households throughout Oxford County raising awareness of the value of human life and the services available through Compassionate Community Care.

Please call 519-421-0029 by April 16 to let us know you are coming.

If you are unable to attend, but would like to contribute to this postcard campaign, **we would gratefully welcome your support**. Donations can be made by cheque to Oxford County Right to Life or by credit card at oxfordcountyrighttolife.com/donate.php

National March for Life - May 9, 2024, Ottawa



Abortion and euthanasia are commonplace in Canada. In this age of extreme abandonment, it's time to be reminded of the words of God given through the prophet Isaiah almost 3,000 years ago. His promise **"I will never forget you"** is **not only a reminder of God's enduring faithfulness to His people, but also an eternal call for all of us to be witnesses to dignity of each human person.**

On May 9th, join thousands of students, families and Canadians from all walks of life as we gather on Parliament Hill in Ottawa for the 2024 National March for Life. Together let's remind our elected officials to NEVER FORGET ... the child in the womb ... the mother with an unexpected pregnancy ... the person living with a disability or mental illness ... or the senior who needs care — not killing.

"I will never forget you" (Is 49:15) reminds us of our responsibilities towards each other, and the 'irreplaceability' of each individual soul, created intentionally by God in His image and likeness.

~ [National March for Life 2024](#)

Buses to the National March for Life

Reserve you seats early to avoid disappointment!

At the time of printing, there are buses going to the National March for Life in Ottawa from two locations west of here which could stop in Woodstock to pick up passengers: Lambton Right to Life and Right to Life Kent.

Call James at **519-659-3334** to join pro-lifers from Sarnia and London, **or** call **519-352-3611** to join fellow marchers from Chatham.



~ [National March for Life 2024](#)

Book Donations



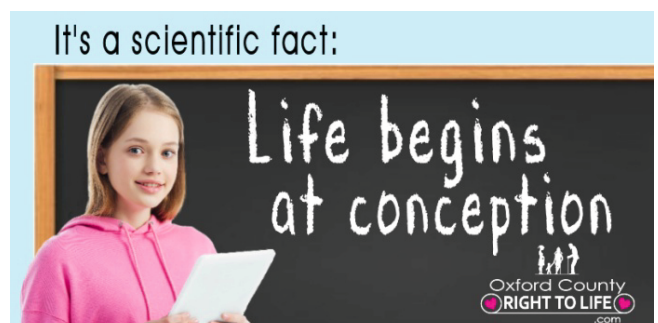
In February, we were pleased to present copies of two children's science picture books to 2 Christian schools and 6 Catholic elementary schools in Oxford County.

The First 56 Days of You and **When You Became You** are written by the founders of Contend Projects, a science education non-profit with the mission to spread accurate information and awareness about the biological science of human embryology and when a human being begins to exist.

Both books are available from our lending library. If you are interested in sharing these books with your children or grandchildren, please contact us at 519-421-0029.

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Have you seen our ads on the digital billboard located at Dundas Street and Springbank Avenue in Woodstock?
Look for a different ad each month!



2022 Abortion Statistics in Canada

In Canada, there were **97, 211 induced abortions** reported in 2022. This is **9,726 more than in 2021**, representing an 11% increase.

~ [*Canadian Institute for Health Information, March 2024*](#)

Call for RCMP Investigation

Data obtained from Statistics Canada and the Canadian Institute for Health Information show that at least 1500 preborn babies survived attempted abortions.

Campaign Life Coalition has written a letter to the RCMP Commissioner urging the police to "investigate the deaths of over 1500 babies in Canada who have allegedly been born alive after a failed abortion, and then been left to die after being denied their legal right to life-saving medical care."

The "only evidence of their short existence in this world is known through health system codes ... and the words "Termination of pregnancy, affecting the fetus and `new-borns`".

Section 223(1) of **the Criminal Code states a "child becomes a human being ... when it has completely proceeded, in a living state, from the body of its mother."** CLC said "babies born after a failed abortion are 'human beings'" according to Canadian law **and are "therefore owed certain legal rights, including the right to life, liberty and security of person"** guaranteed by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. **The Criminal Code also states that a "person commits homicide when he causes injury to a child before or during its birth as a result of which the child dies after becoming a human being."** If the babies who survived failed abortions "are in any way hastened to their deaths by the attending abortionist, it could be a clear case of first-degree murder."



CLC has made similar requests in the past, but were told there was a lack of "relevant information or substantive facts about a specific crime" to warrant an investigation.

~ [*The Interim, April 2024*](#)

Abortion is leading cause of death globally

According to the Worldometer, a real-time measure of vital international statistics, abortion was the leading cause of death in the world in 2023 with **more than 44.6 million abortions committed globally**.

The Worldometer does not record abortions as deaths, but "If abortions were counted as deaths in the statistics, the fatalities last year would have exceeded 100 million, and abortions would have accounted for more than 40 per cent of them." **The total number of human beings killed by abortion is greater than the number of deaths attributed to the next seven most common causes of death combined:** communicable disease, cancer, smoking, alcohol use, HIV/AIDS, road accidents, and suicide.

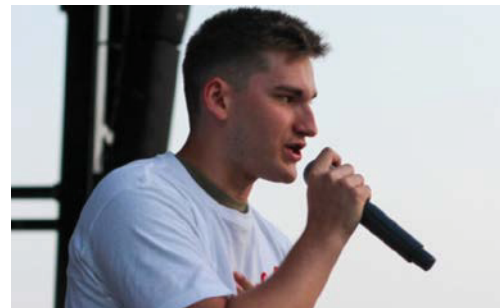
The UK-based Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) said in a release, "**44 million deaths due to abortion is a horrific death toll**" which "**reveals the staggering contradiction at the heart of the world's current situation, one claiming to value life while assenting to the killing of millions of innocent lives.**"

~ [*The Interim, February 2024*](#)

Rapper depicts abortion from baby's perspective

Chris Mackness, C-DOT, a Christian **rapper** from Hamilton, Ontario, recently felt called to make a pro-life song called "The Cry", which **uses vivid storytelling to capture the emotional distress of the victims of abortion**.

Mackness avoided making "The Cry" an attack on abortion supporters. Instead, **he aimed to paint a vivid and truthful picture of the deadly practise of abortion and be emotionally sensitive to those who could be hurt by it.**



"The Cry" makes a deliberate attempt to extend love and understanding as he believes this is the most effective way to change hearts and minds. "That's why I have lines from the child understanding where the mother is coming from, like *'I know you're afraid, now it's just you and fear.'*" Mackness hoped that **this approach would help bring his message even to those who do not agree with him.**

[Click here](#) to listen to "The Cry". The video shows the lyrics and does not use graphic imagery.

~ [LifeSiteNews, January 2024](#)

Project Anna and Simeon

Project Anna and Simeon is a ground-breaking pilot project and seminar event which will offer **hospitality, support, reflection, and sharing for those who are hurting from losing a loved one through Medical Assistance in Dying.**



Saturday, May 25, 2024, 12 pm - 8 pm,
at St. John the Compassionate Mission
155 Broadview Avenue, Toronto, ON.

Meals will be provided and overnight accommodations are available upon request. Suggested donation is \$100. There will be an opportunity to share, hear from guest speakers and certified counsellors and grief support workers. For more information and to register, email outreach@stmarysrefuge.org or call 613-473-2679.

Registration deadline is Monday, May 13.

~ [Compassionate Community Care](#)

A Pro-life Mother's Day Tribute



Ryan Bomberger, co-founder of The Radiance Foundation, was **conceived in rape, adopted in love.**

"My birthmom had the option to legally abort her child conceived in the horrific violence of rape. But she saved me. She didn't give me up; she gave me a life filled with beautiful possibility through the merciful and hopeful act of adoption. Her courage made me possible."

"My amazing mom, once temporarily abandoned at the age of five, discovered her purpose in life while staying in a children's home. Her childhood brokenness turned into breakthrough as she devoted her life to loving those wrongly written off as "unwanted". I was the first one she chose to love through adoption."

~ [The Radiance Foundation](#)

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