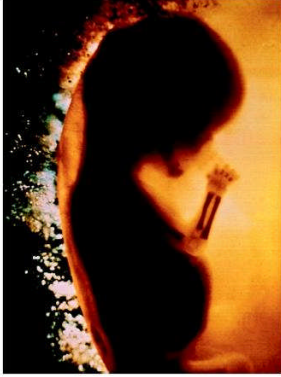


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*“We are not
some casual
and
meaningless
product of
evolution.*

*Each of us is
the result of a
thought of
God. Each of
us is willed,
each of us is
loved, each of
us is
necessary.”*

Pope Benedict

“Demographic Winter” to Screen at Mater Ecclesiae

Witness the global effects of abortion and population control by joining us for a screening of the documentary *Demographic Winter: The Decline of the Human Family*. This film, which explores the fallout of the world’s plummeting birth rates will be shown on Sunday, May 17, at 9:45 AM in the St. Martha Room.

In this groundbreaking film, scholars from many backgrounds give economic, social scientific, demographic and historical context to population decline and the impact families have on the strength and stability of society.



Upcoming Events

April 28

Nat'l Pro-Life T-Shirt Day

May 13

M.E. Pro-Life Meeting
7:30 PM

May 30

Good Counsel Walk
9:00 AM

Pro-Life T-Shirt Pick Up

On April 18 and 19, parishioners who ordered pro-life t-shirts can pick them up in Bishop DiMarzio Hall after all Masses.

A limited supply of additional shirts are available for purchase as well.

National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day is Tuesday, April 28. Join thousands around the country who will proudly wear their shirts that day to school, work, shopping, the gym, everywhere in quiet witness to your belief in the sanctity of all human life.

Mater Ecclesiae Walking Team Forms to Benefit Good Counsel Homes of South Jersey



Join us in a fundraising walk on Saturday, May 30, starting 9 AM at Washington Lake Park in Washington Township to support the efforts of Good Counsel to establish a home for pregnant homeless women in South Jersey.

If you cannot attend the Washington Township site, there are four other walking locations in Medford, Haddon Heights, Bridgeton and Sea Isle City.

For more information, call Tracye at 856-770-8488 or visit: www.goodcounselhomes.org

10 Reasons Why There Is HOPE in the Fight to End Abortion...*

First in a Series

#1. The Survivors

The surest sign of our ultimate victory is the strong and ever-growing involvement of young people in all aspects of the fight to end abortion. And if you ask them why they've joined the fight, they will tell you: "It could have been me!" In speaking up for the unborn, the youth of America are also speaking up for themselves. This is an awareness and motivation that abortion advocates can do nothing to stop. And as a result, our pro-life movement receives a new strength and motivation each day from these survivors.

#2. The Flow of Conversions

Look at the flow of conversions. In which direction does it go? It goes from pro-abortion to pro-life. There is, for example, an international organization of former abortion providers called the Society of Centurions. These men and women once served as doctors, nurses, technicians, security guards and other roles to operate abortion mills. Now they have repented of their killing and become pro-life. Have you ever heard of an organization of former pregnancy resource center directors who have become pro-abortion? It just doesn't happen. The flow of conversions is in one direction—from death to life!

*adapted from "Priests for Life" publications