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Pray for peace, starting at home

What if they wanted to be able to put out of the way babies, the elderly and the disabled, without anyone saying "No!"; what if you said it is wrong and shouldn't be allowed?

They'd say you were a bad person. What if you prayed and sacrificed so it would be stopped? They'd say you were the worst of all, because prayer and sacrifice are what certainly will put a stop to it.

Who are "they"? A small group of extremely influential people, who want to establish the right of the powerful to play God and decide which of the defenseless shall not live (under the guise of "liberation").

Who are "we"? Catholics for Life of the Diocese of Sacramento (www.rc.net/sacramento/cfl/). We meet every 3rd Thursday, 6:00-8:00 P.M., in the Bishop Alphonse Gallegos room at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2110 Broadway (at Freeport), Sacramento.

Our most effective work is imploring God, through His mother, to convert the hearts, of those who traffic in human death, and of those who are indifferent to it.

We say the Rosary at 6:15 P.M., listen to the reports of Respect Life Coordinator Christine Cipperly and others standing in harm's way, have some laughs and get a great deal of grace.

Some Catholics for Life (starting in foreground, clockwise): Christine Cipperly (Respect Life

Coordinator), St. James, Davis; Jan Carroll (California Pro-life Action Council), St. Joseph Elk Grove; Mary Sari, St. Ignatius; Donald Chatfield, St. John the Evangelist; Helen Boyd, St. John

the Baptist, Folsom; (Bishop Alphonse Gallegos, portrait); William Keever, Ecclesia Dei (Indult) Community; Evelyn Coloma, St. Charles Borromeo; Carol Schoner, St. John the Baptist, Folsom; Margie Reilly, Our Lady of Assumption; Devonne Keever, St. Mel's; Mr. Richard White (The Caring Foundation), St. Philomene; Mike Schaefer (behind the camera), St. Mel's.



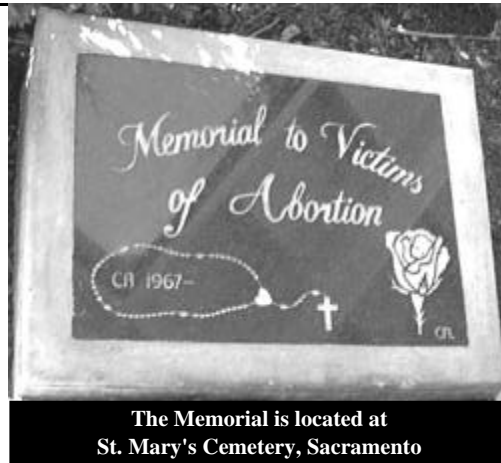
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Memorial to Victims of Abortion

After the Pro-Life Mass in January 2000, past CFL president, Mike Schaefer, received from an anonymous patron, a monetary donation along with a black marble tombstone for a memorial to the unborn victims of abortion. The donor agreed that the memorial could be placed



The Memorial is located at St. Mary's Cemetery, Sacramento

in any churchyard or cemetery in the Sacramento Diocese, and that it memorialize all victims of abortion.

CFL originally planned to place the Memorial in downtown Sacramento by or near the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacramento. This plan did not pan out.

CFL appointed a project committee – Evelyn Coloma, St. Charles Borromeo; Mike Schaefer, St. Mel's; and Helen Boyd, St. John the Baptist. (The artist who conceptualized and finalized the design wishes to remain anonymous.) The committee recommended placing the monument in one of the Diocesan cemeteries, and St. Mary's Cemetery was chosen because of its size and availability to the public. Bishop Weigand was contacted, and he directed CFL to work with the Director of Cemeteries. After several designs and locations were presented, approval was received and the work began.

The superintendent of St. Mary's Cemetery, Monte Latino, made sure the policies of the Department of Cemeteries were followed in this project. The monument was engraved and placed by the Ruhkala Monument Co. of Sacramento.



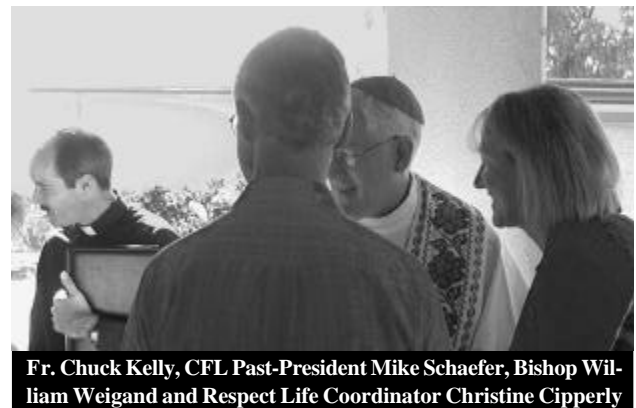
Bishop Weigand speaking at the Memorial Dedication



Bishop Weigand sprinkling the Memorial

On November 3, 2001, Bishop Weigand dedicated the monument before a group of 50+ pro-life Catholics, including Msgr. Patrick Nolan, former Director of Catholic Cemeteries. Fr. Chuck Kelly, Holy Family Parish, assisted the Bishop and preached the presentation on respect-life. A newly formed, St. John the Baptist Choir, led the group in appropriate songs for the occasion. The monument is located in the Holy

Family Gathering Area in the east side of St. Mary's Cemetery. Its purpose is to provide visitors an opportunity to pray for the unborn and other victims of abortion.



Fr. Chuck Kelly, CFL Past-President Mike Schaefer, Bishop William Weigand and Respect Life Coordinator Christine Cipperly

December, 2001 Pro-Life Events

On December 28 of each year, the pro-life community commemorates the Feast of the Holy Innocents with a special evening candlelight Rosary procession, led by our priests, followed by Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe. As families walk through the city in prayer, we remember those male infants under the age of two, in the vicinity of Bethlehem, who were killed by decree of King Herod, as well as those innocent pre-born babies killed by abortion today.

We will meet at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament (11th & K) at 5:30 p.m., (this year a Friday) and process to Our Lady of Guadalupe for Mass at 7 p.m. Catholic families from all parishes are welcome and needed to commemorate this feast day with prayer for life. Candles will be provided. For more information, call Carol at 791-1819.



**Sanctity Of Human Life Network (SOHLNET) and Teens For Life (www.teensforlife.org)
Welcome and Present Mr. Joe Scheidler — 2001 Christmas Banquet**


Joseph M. Scheidler is Executive Director of the Pro-Life Action League (www.prolifeaction.org), a national pro-life educational and activist organization headquartered in Chicago. The League is dedicated to saving lives through activism and to bringing the abortion issue to the public via the media. It has been said that Joe helped define pro-life direct action. Joe is a stimulating and controversial guest on radio and TV interviews and talk shows and has appeared on more than a thousand programs including: ABC News, Nightline, Donahue, Crossfire, Face the Nation, Good Morning America, MacNeil/Lehrer Report and others. Mr. Scheidler is a dynamic speaker on the moral dimensions of the abortion issue and on the effective-

ness of direct action. He is a recognized expert in the following areas: Abortion, sidewalk counseling, fetal experimentation, church responsibility, media, battling the courts, school based clinics and American return to morality.

Saturday, December 1, 2001

(Doors open 6:00 pm; serving at 6:30 pm)

No tickets available at door.

Msgr. Kavanagh Hall
St. Rose Catholic Church
5961 Franklin Blvd.
(between Fruitridge and 47th Avenue)
Sacramento

Theme:

"Let The Children Come To Me"
Matthew 19:14

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Ticket Prices – Please remit with your reservation:
Adults: \$20.00 – 17 yrs and below: \$15.00
Tables of 8: \$150.00 – Tables of 6: \$110.00
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Address: _____
Phone: (____) _____
Table of 8 ___ – Table of 6 ___ – # of Adults ___
17 & under ___ – Total submitted _____ –
Tickets will be mailed to above address if received by Nov 20th.

WINTER 2001–2002 — PRO-LIFE MASSES, ROSARIES AND EVENTS			
St. Elizabeth	7:45 AM 1st Saturday	Mass	1817 Twelfth Street (12th & S), Sacramento
St. Philomene	5:10 PM 2nd Wednesday	Mass	2428 Bell Street (Chapel), Sacramento
Mt. St. Joseph	7:00 PM 1st Friday,	Rosary	6530 Wells Ave., Loomis
	8:00 AM 1st Saturday	Mass	(1/2 mile East of Barton Rd.)
St. Rose	7:30 PM 1st Friday	Mass	5961 Franklin Blvd., Sacramento
Pregnancy Consultation Center	8:00 AM Tuesdays,	Rosary	53rd Street & F Street, Sacramento (Sutter Memorial Hosp. Professional Bldg.)
	8:00 AM Thursdays		
Planned Parenthood Roseville	9:00 AM Thursdays	Rosary	729 Sunrise Blvd. Suite 900 (Between Douglas & Cirby)
<u>Joseph Scheidler Dinner</u>	December 1, 2001 (Saturday)	St. Rose/Msgr. Kavanagh Hall – 6:30 PM 5961 Franklin Blvd., Sacramento	
<u>Feast of Holy Innocents</u>	December 28, 2001 (Friday)	5:30 p.m. at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament (11th & K Sts.) – Rosary procession to Our Lady of Guadalupe Church – Mass at 7 PM	
<u>Roe v. Wade Anniversary</u> Calif. ProLife Council Rally Day	January 22, 2002 (Tuesday)	8:00 AM – Pro-life Prayer Breakfast	
		10:30 AM – Pro-Life Mass at Cathedral (11th & K Sts.)	
		12:00 AM – Rally & Lobby for Life at Capitol steps (N.Side)	

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ANNUAL PRO- LIFE MASS
 TO COMMEMORATE
 ROE V. WADE

Every year on January 22, on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 decision that authorized legal abortions, CFL organizes the annual pro-life mass concelebrated by the Bishop and diocesan clergy. All clergy, Catholic schools, and Knights of Columbus circles are invited to attend. In 2001, 16 clergy, 13 schools and some 400 people attended. CFL appointed Mike Schaefer (pictured) and Joe Madruga to coordinate all efforts for the invitations, choir, readings, program and bulletin.

The Mass is one part of a multi-event and day-long event sponsored by the California Pro-Life Council. Events include: prayer breakfast, pro-life mass, rally on the Capitol steps, and visits to the legislature members.