

What does it mean to be “Pro-Life”?

We Catholics are thoroughly and unabashedly pro-life. We are pro-life because we believe life is sacred. We are pro-life because the Church teaches us that we humans are created in the image and likeness of God. For these reasons:

- ☐ We are pro-preborn babies, pro-newborn babies, pro-woman, pro-child, pro-man, pro-elderly, pro-vulnerable, pro-human, and pro-creation!
- ☐ We reject the shallow mantra of “pro-choice” which masks any thoughtful consideration of sexual intercourse, pregnancy, childbirth, or abortion.
- ☐ We reject the unfinished thought of a woman’s right to choose. . .
- ☐ We reject the fashionable claim of “reproductive rights” which has resulted in untold millions of abortions.
- ☐ We reject contraception in all its forms, but especially those forms that silently abort such as: the pill, the patch, injections and the morning after pill.
- ☐ We reject violence and unnatural death in all its forms – abortion, terrorism, unjust war, capital punishment, and euthanasia.
- ☐ We embrace the fact that we humans *procreate*, not reproduce: Animals reproduce. Machines copy. Humans procreate.
- ☐ We know that “life” and the future of the human community are sexually transmitted – by the wondrous design of our maker.
- ☐ We are in awe of the power God has invested in us: that we, imaging God's creativity, have the power to create new humans in God’s image.
- ☐ We believe that at the moment of human conception, through the power of the Holy Spirit, a new and unique soul is created by God.
- ☐ We embrace the fact that humans need to live in community, responsive to each other, caring for the young, the sick and the old, sharing their burdens and joys.