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Three pro-life bills passed by State Assembly; await Gov. Walker's signature to be made law

Last week, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed three pro-life bills. Each of these bills has already passed the State Senate and now await Gov. Walker's expected signature to become law.

The bills are as follows:

- **Senate Bill 306: "Banning webcam abortions"**: A bill banning so-called webcam abortions passed the State Assembly on a 60 to 33 vote on Thursday. Senate Bill 306 was authored by Senator Mary Lazich (R-New Berlin) and co-authored by Representative Michelle Litjens (R-Oshkosh). [Click here](#) to see how your representative voted.

The legislation effectively prohibits webcam abortions by requiring the prescribing physician to perform a physical exam of the woman and to be physically present in the room when the abortion-inducing drug is given. The bill also requires the woman to return to the abortion facility for a follow-up visit 12 to 18 days after the use of an abortion-inducing drug to confirm the termination of the pregnancy and evaluate her medical condition.

In 2010, Pro-Life Wisconsin's investigative research [revealed](#) that the system was already in place for so-called telemed abortions, a process whereby a woman consults with a doctor on a video camera, and at the end of the appointment, [out](#) pops abortion-causing drugs.

- **Senate Bill 237: [Strong Communities](#) [Healthy Kids Act](#)**: Senate Bill 237, authored by Senator Mary Lazich (R-New Berlin) and co-authored by Representative Jeremy Thiesfeldt (R-Fond du Lac), passed on a 60 to 34 vote on Wednesday. It reverses the contraception education/instruction sexual education mandate of 2009, and gives public school districts the freedom to adopt abstinence-only human growth and development curricula. The legislation also prohibits school-based volunteer health providers from providing instruction in human growth and development thus preventing Planned Parenthood nurses and physicians from teaching about abortion and contraception in our public schools. [Click here](#) to see how your representative voted.

- **Senate Bill 92: Obamacare abortion coverage opt-out**: Senate Bill 92, authored by Senator Rich Zipperer (R-Pewaukee) and co-authored by Representative Robin Vos (R-Burlington), passed on a 61 to 34 vote. It prohibits any plan in Wisconsin's

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prospective health insurance exchange from covering abortion. Obamacare allows health insurance plans offering abortion coverage to participate in a state's insurance exchange and to receive federal subsidies unless the state legislature proactively opts-out of offering such plans. Although the state exchanges do not go into effect until 2014, several states have already enacted laws opting-out of abortion coverage including Arizona, Tennessee, Mississippi, Missouri, Louisiana, and Nebraska. [Click here](#) to see how your representative voted.

Pro-Life Wisconsin applauds the Wisconsin Legislature for passing common sense bills that protect children and pro-life taxpayers. We look forward to their enactment into law this spring.

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Register online now to see David Bereit speak!



David Bereit, the founder of [40 Days for Life](#), will be speaking at two Pro-Life Wisconsin events!

We are hosting an "Evening with David Bereit" in Madison on Thursday, April 26. Register online [here](#).

Bishop Morlino will give the opening prayer, and we will be presenting an award to Dr. Nancy Fredericks in recognition of her courage for exposing the Madison Surgery Center's late-term abortion plans.

David will be the keynote speaker at our Annual Spring Awards Dinner, to be held Saturday, April 28 in Green Bay. Register online [here](#).

We will be presenting awards for the Legislator and the Activist of the Year at the Spring Awards Dinner. Father Mark Vander Steeg will give the opening prayer. Rep. Andre Jacque will be receiving the Legislator of the Year award. Jim Ball, leader of *40 Days for Life* in Green Bay and pro-life activist extraordinaire, will be receiving the Activist of the Year award. Join us in honoring these great pro-life men!

Register today for these can't-miss events! David is a dynamic speaker with a very inspiring story to share about how *40 Days for Life* has made a pro-life impact around the world.

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Rallies for Religious Freedom to be held in Madison and Milwaukee

On Friday, March 23 at noon, Vigil for Life and Pro-Life Wisconsin will join more than 100 cities nationwide in protesting the recent Department of Health and Human Services decision mandating that all commercial insurance plans cover contraception -- including abortifacient birth control, and sterilizations.

We'll meet at noon on the sidewalk in Madison at the U.S. District Courthouse (120 N. Henry Street) and in Milwaukee at the Downtown Federal Building (310 West Wisconsin Ave.). The vigils last until 1 p.m. If you can't make it for the entire hour, come as long as you're available.

Some signs will be available, and prayer for our nation is encouraged!

Contact Steve at (608) 445-2063 or steve@prolifewisconsin.org with questions on the

Madison rally or call Peggy (262) 796-1111 ext.11 for information on the Milwaukee rally.

What is the HHS Mandate?

In January, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a mandate requiring all health plans to include free contraceptives, sterilizations and abortion-inducing drugs, regardless of any moral or religious objections. The HHS Mandate is an unprecedented assault on religious freedom and must be opposed!

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Holy Week Stations of the Cross



Good Friday holds special significance for pro-lifers, who gather in front of abortion clinics to pray the Stations of the Cross. As in years past, Pro-Life Wisconsin and our affiliates will be holding pro-life Stations of the Cross in memory of all those lost to abortion and for all those grieving a loss.

Milwaukee: On Good Friday, April 6, at 9am. Stations will be said at St. Rita's Parish, 1601 N. Cass St., Milwaukee, with procession to the Affiliated abortion mill.

Green Bay: Stations will be said on Palm Sunday, April 1 at 4pm at Ob-Gyn Association of Green Bay,

Medical Arts Building/Bellin Hospital, 704 S. Webster Ave., Green Bay.

Appleton: Stations will be said on Palm Sunday, April 1 at 1pm at Planned Parenthood, 502 W. Wisconsin Ave., Appleton.

Madison: Stations will be said on Good Friday, April 6, at 10am at Planned Parenthood, 3706 Orin Rd., Madison.

For more information, please call (262) 796-1111.

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Pro-life news wrap-up

- **FDA permits use of fetal brain tissue in lab experiments.** Read more [here](#).

- **Obama admin widens abortifacient birth control mandate** to college students. Read more [here](#).

- **Couple wins \$3 million in wrongful birth suit:** would have aborted daughter with Down syndrome. Read more [here](#).

- **Contraception coverage rule assailed by Catholic businessman.** Read more [here](#).

- **Deregulation in the death business.** *The Undead: How Medicine is Blurring the Line Between Life and Death.* Read more [here](#).

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Affiliate activities

40 Days for Life of La Crosse is holding a 40 hour vigil for life in La Crosse. The vigil will be held at St. James the Less Catholic Church, 1102 Caledonia St., La Crosse. The 40-hour prayer vigil begins Friday, March 23 at 2:30 pm and ends at Sunday, March 25 at 7 am. Eucharistic Procession will begin at St. James at 2:30 PM, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 in church. Adoration will continue for 40 hours. Contact Elizabeth to sign up for vigil hours at (608) 769-4014 or email lizzdemos@yahoo.com.

PLW affiliates are involved in *40 Days for Life* this spring. Cities include Eau Claire, Green Bay, La Crosse, Medford, Milwaukee, Stevens Point and Wausau. Contact PLW at (262) 796-1111 or email info@prolifewisconsin.org to get involved!

Pro-Life Wisconsin Walworth Co. prays at Planned Parenthood in Delavan, WI. Signs are provided. Contact Phil Cullen for info - 262-742-3299.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Juneau County gathers for prayer witness every Monday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Family Planning Health Services, 522 State Road 82 # F, in Mauston. Please call Richard Irwin, (608) 565-6706, for more information. They meet every second Tuesday of the month at the Hatch Public Library in Mauston at 7 p.m. in the Community Room.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Marathon County prays the Rosary once a month on Saturday at 10:45 a.m. at Family Planning Health Services. Call Ron Putzer at (715) 842-5368 to confirm date.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Fond du Lac County prays in front of Planned Parenthood, 333 N. Peters Ave., Fond du Lac, on the second Saturday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. During *40 Days For Life* which begins February 22, we will be Bringing Jesus to Planned Parenthood Through Mary on Tuesdays 7:00 am to 3:00 pm and Thursdays 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. For information, call Ann at (920) 921-6062 or Julie (920) 923-0437. A pro-life Rosary is also said at 8:30 a.m. before the 9 a.m. Mass each Saturday at St. Mary's Church, Marquette St. at E. Merrill Ave., Fond du Lac.

Vigil for Life-PLW Dane County has a perpetual presence on the sidewalks in front of Madison's Planned Parenthood abortion facility (3706 Orin Road, Madison, WI 53704). Each day that Planned Parenthood is open for business (every week day), 2 people (at least!) will be scheduled to be present on the sidewalk. The times and days are as follows: Monday-Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.; Thursday 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.; and Friday, 1pm - 3pm. Individuals or groups are needed to sign up for these 2-hour shifts, especially on a monthly basis. You may also "stop by." Those interested should [click here](#) to view the online scheduling calendar or contact affiliate leader Laura Karlen at (608) 445-2064 or email laura@vigilforlife.org.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Chippewa Valley prays and gives public witness against abortion and contraception outside the Eau Claire Planned Parenthood (1231 Menomonie St.) every Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month at 11 a.m.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Milwaukee County gathers regularly on Saturday mornings at the Affiliated abortion center, 1428 N. Farwell Ave. in Milwaukee, between 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. SIDEWALK COUNSELORS ARE NEEDED! If you can come pray or counsel women entering the abortuary, please contact Peggy Hamill, (262) 796-1111, or e-mail info@prolifewisconsin.org for more information.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Outagamie County invites you to love your preborn neighbor as yourself, by going out to the places where abortions are sold and committed. Please plan to come and sidewalk counsel (beside the driveway), pray and witness with signs at Planned Parenthood Appleton North on 3800 N. Gillett St.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Waukesha County will join other pro-lifers for monthly prayer in

front of the Planned Parenthood in Waukesha, 426 W. Main St. Prayer gatherings will be held the fourth Saturday of every month at 10 a.m.

Pro-Life Wisconsin Kenosha has consecrated our fight against Planned Parenthood to Jesus through Mary. We pray every Saturday at 11 a.m. in front of the Planned Parenthood facility, located at Roosevelt Road and 36th Avenue in Kenosha. Please come and pray the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and other prayers with us. For more information contact Karie Kinzler at kakinzler7@yahoo.com or at (262) 656-0301.

Please join Pro-Life Wisconsin Racine for a prayer vigil every Wednesday from 11 a.m. until noon at the Racine Planned Parenthood, 832 Main St. All are welcome to join with your presence or your prayers.

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Courtesy announcements

Day of Prayer for the Unborn Child: Sunday March 25. St. Paul Parish in Genesee Depot. The Knights of Columbus have been leaders in the pro-life movement for over 30 years. Please join them Sunday, March 25, in acknowledgement of the Annunciation, right after the 8 am Mass in Church to say the rosary to pray for the unborn, and to end abortion. All are welcome to pray for unborn children and their parents.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the annual Day of the Unborn Child featuring Fr. Cleatus Healy's Stations of the Cross for the victims of abortion, at Our Lady Of Good Hope Catholic Church, 41st & Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, on Wednesday, March 21, at 7pm.

Kneel for Life: Capitol Campaign meets Wednesdays at the Capitol from 1-2pm. We try to precede with Mass at St. Patrick's at 12:10, then we walk over from there. Our purpose is to be a peaceful, joyful presence praying to tear down the evil strongholds present there and be an encouragement for the pro-life legislators/staff. We pray the Rosary, Chaplet of Mercy and St. Michael prayer as we walk in twos or independently, throughout the Capitol.

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats offer Hope and Healing to anyone hurting emotionally and spiritually from abortion. Our next retreat will be March 23 - 25. All contact is confidential. To register or to ask questions go to www.madisondiocese.org/rachel or call Mary (608) 221-9593 or (608) 821-3177; email rachel@straphael.org.

The third Monday of every month All Saints Catholic Church in Berlin says a Rosary for life at the church's monument for the unborn after a 5:15p.m. Mass. Everyone welcome.

The pro-life group at St. Frances Cabrini Parish meets to pray every Thursday evening from 6-6:30 p.m. at the West Bend Planned Parenthood, 532 Shepherd's Drive, West Bend, WI. Located on the West end of town, approximately 1-1/2 miles west of Hwy 45 on West Washington Street (aka: Highway 33) in West Bend. It is in a shopping mall on the north-side of the street. We are on the sidewalk.

Holy Hour for the Unborn: St. John the Evangelist Parish, 8500 W. Cold Spring Rd., Greenfield, Wis. We come together every fourth Wednesday of the month from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. to pray for the end of abortion. The church has 24 hours of Adoration seven days a week. Contact Kathy Knaack with questions, Kathy.knaack@gmail.com.

Genacles of Life meets every Saturday morning at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Cambridge at 8:30 am to pray two rosaries for an end to the culture of death.

Cenacles of Life meets at St Mary's Good Shepherd Chapel, 108 McHenry St, Burlington, WI every Wednesday at 6 p.m., and recites the second oral Rosary in the main body of the church, finishing at 7:15 p.m.

Cenacles of Life meets every Saturday morning at 6:45 a.m. to pray two Rosaries for pro-life intentions before the 7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pine Bluff, west of Madison.

The Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe has a prayer vigil every Monday at 4:30 p.m. in Wisconsin Rapids on 8th St. by the Shopko mall to pray for the closing of the Planned Parenthood. If you have any questions contact Will Goodman at (608) 698-7443.

The Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe has a prayer vigil every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in Stevens Point in front of the strip mall next to Family Video to pray for the closing of Family Planning Health Services. If you have any questions contact Jen Dunnett at (715) 340-2779.

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