

The Scourge of America



I am leading the rosary at a Planned Parenthood Protest.



This is the protest at which I lead the rosary.

“A person's a person no matter how small.”(1) This adorable quote has surprising truth. Sadly, this simple truth is being denied over 3,000 times per day though abortions in the United States alone (2). Three thousand times per day, mothers throughout this county are putting their lives at risk in order to kill their unborn children, and our government protects that “right”. Many people are only now starting realize, that by having an abortion, not only does a women kill her child, but she also puts herself in grave mental and physical danger. For these and countless other reasons, I have and will continue to work for the end of abortion.

When an abortion is performed, an innocent human being is killed. This is not opinion; it is biological fact. At the moment of conception, the egg and sperm combine to form one fully human cell with DNA that is entirely distinct from that of the mother and father. This little cell is, by biological definition, a human being. In the United States Declaration of Independence, the founders declared the rights to “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness”(3) are for all of humanity, regardless of age. Today, the Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2004 (4) recognizes the child in utero as a legal victim if he is injured or killed during an assault to his mother. Sadly, this same child is entirely unprotected from abortion. Due to the continued legalization of abortion, one-third of my generation has had their right to life stolen from them before they even had the chance to take their first breath.

Abortion is not only deadly to the child, but can also be physically and mentally dangerous to the mother. As the leading cause of maternal mortality (5), abortion kills more than 47,000 mothers each year (6). Over half of the women who have had an abortion suffer from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder on account of the procedure. Depression, suicide, eating disorders, and many other mental illnesses are common in mothers who have had an abortion. Many of these women then turn to alcohol or other drugs to try to ease the guilt that comes from having killed her own child. (7)

Throughout my short life I have worked and prayed tirelessly to end this scourge. For almost sixteen years, my family and I have prayed the rosary every night for the end of abortion. By participating in many of my local pro-life rallies and protests, I have striven to be a voice for the

voiceless. In August 2015, my local, pro-life chapter participated in the nation-wide protest that called to defund Planned Parenthood at which I led everyone in praying the rosary for the intentions of the protest. Since then, I have attended and invited my friends to several other protests. I will never stop defending those who cannot defend themselves.

Women who have chosen abortion consent to killing their children as well as endangering their own mental and physical well being. Countless women have been hurt both mentally and physically by abortion. Two of my best friends were nearly aborted, and I cannot help but wonder how many would-be friends I have lost to abortion. It is for the sake of my friends and other innocent children who would have been and are being unjustly killed that I fight, and I will not rest while this atrocity remains legal in my country.

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