

POSITIVELY PRO-LIFE

Hike for Life Supports Respect Life Education

Board of Directors and Monique Achtman, Educational Resource Consultant

Thank you for participating and making generous donations during the **Mothers' Day Rose Sale** at churches, and the **42nd Annual Hike for Life** virtual event. Congratulations to the winners of the trophies, certificates and prizes. Thank you to those who share(d) in the Calgary Pro-Life mission with their pledges. Your support ensures that we continue to offer pro-life educational school presentations to thousands of students each year. And now, we are excited to share our new, **Respect Life Display Banner Program** bringing more powerful visual pro-life witness to the larger community. Please see page 3 for more details.



Holy Spirit CWL Hikers

Fr. Joseph Mary Do, OP
First Time Hiker



Holy Spirit CWL Trophy Presentation
CWL Hikers

St. Bonaventure CWL Hikers



42nd Annual Hike for Life • Winners

St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian

W.D. Goodfellow QC Trophy

➤ Parish with the most pledges

St. Peter's Catholic Church

Runner-Up Trophy

➤ Parish with 2nd most pledges

CWL – Holy Spirit Council

Bishop Fred Henry Trophy

➤ CWL council with the most participants and pledges

CWL – St. Bonaventure Council

Runner-Up Trophy

Abshp. Monahan K of C Council #4878

St. Cecilia Parish

St. John Bosco Trophy

➤ K of C council with the most pledges

Mimi Naubert, St. Mark's

Individual Prize

➤ Individual with the most pledges

Danny Barth, St Cecilia's

Individual Runner-Up Prize

Fr. Joseph Mary Do, OP

➤ First Time Hiker

Unknown, due to "Virtual" Hike

Marie O'Shea Student Award

➤ Student participation

Trophies, certificates and prizes are being presented or sent in October and November.



**SAVE THE DATE
HIKE FOR LIFE
MAY 13, 2023**



In-School Presentations 2022-2023 Have Begun!

Monique Achtman, Educational Resource Consultant

We are back in business since the two-year interruption of COVID-19! We are invited to give Respect Life presentations in schools within the Calgary Catholic School District: Calgary, Cochrane, Airdrie, and Chestermere; and in the Christ the Redeemer School District: Okotoks, DeWinton, High River, Strathmore, Brooks, Drumheller, Canmore and Cochrane.

Teachers have invited us to give presentations earlier this school year and so far, so good! I have already been invited to four schools and given 10 presentations. All of the grade fours and fives in Brooks, as well as several classes in Calgary schools have enjoyed the **Respect You: You Matter** presentations. More bookings are coming in, and bookings for the **Respect Life: Fetal Development** presentations will soon fill my calendar from April to June. Teachers from CSSD and CTR school boards are invited to book using our online booking calendar. Please visit calgaryprolife.com or email us at fetaldevelopment@calgaryprolife.com.

Let me share a story with you about how we received some positive feedback from grade six students in two different schools last spring. It all started when I was setting up the eight fetal development models as I usually do before every **Respect Life: Fetal Development**, (aka *You are a Miracle and I Can Prove It!*) presentation. The students know that I am invited during their human sexuality and family life unit of study. As a result, I noticed that the students were fidgeting, and nervous as they watched me work. I asked them to relax and guaranteed that they would like the presentation. They didn't believe me at all! So, I asked them to take a piece of paper out and write a line about how they were feeling before, and then after the presentation. Here are some of the comments I received:

Before: Uncomfortable, but kind of excited.

After: I feel impressed.

Before: Nervous and eager to learn.

After: OK and amazed by what I learned.

Before: I felt kind of off, even though I already know all of it.

After: I love it. My dream job is [to be] a doctor to help females, and this presentation just increased how much I want this job. Thank you!

Before: I feel kind of scared, but my thoughts might change.

After: I feel pretty good about it because I learned about new stuff.



*Setting the scene for the life-affirming
Respect Life: Fetal Development presentation*

Before: I feel a bit weird, but a bit excited.

After: I feel like that was awesome and I would watch it again.

Before: The babys [sic] growth and stages. I feel fine.

After: It was good.

Before: I think it is cool because you get to see what a embryo looks like in you and how they grow and I like guest speakers and thank you for coming.

After: That was cool and nice to know.

Before: My childhood will be ruined.

After: It was cool.

Before: Pretty interested to see, also kind of cool.

After: That was cool and really interesting I really liked it.

Before: Really awkward.

After: Not as awkward.

Calgary Pro-Life Assn. Launches the Respect Life Display Banner Program

Our Mission: Calgary Pro-Life Association is a charitable organization committed to providing educational presentations to raise awareness of the beauty, purpose and dignity of human life regardless of age, physical, mental or spiritual differences. Our message promotes Christian values, is non-denominational, and is presented free of charge to all people of goodwill upon request.

Our Vision: Calgary Pro-Life Association has the vision to build a peaceful community whereby all human life is held sacred and is respected from the moment of conception (natural beginning) until death (natural end).

The Calgary Pro-Life Assn. Board of Directors is pleased to launch the beautiful traveling **Respect Life Display Banner Program** featuring pictorial pro-life messages. With a plan to share high-quality display banners specifically designed to educate, inspire and inform about respect for life from conception until natural death, the organization has a continued mission to build a culture of life.

Calgary Pro-Life Assn. focuses on the educational aspects of protecting and promoting respect for every human life from conception, through childhood, through adolescence, and through adulthood and old age, until death. Our programs encourage students in grade school to respect themselves, their families, teachers, elders, the community, and their classmates. Now, we have an opportunity to share positive, life-affirming messages with the greater community through large, but silent, display banners that show and tell about what it really means to be pro-life in our time. Our photos can safely be shown to any person of any age to celebrate the sanctity of each unique human life from the beginning until natural death.

A number Pro-life display banners are now available to be used for pro-life awareness and education in your school, or church during special events, sacramental preparation, at pro-life weekend services, etc. To receive a Respect Life Display Banner package, and to learn more about the project, please email pro-life@shaw.ca or call (403) 243-0691 today.

*Love
Life!*



*From
Conception
to Natural
Death!*



Calgary Pro-Life Assn. Membership & Donation – 2022

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Last Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone _____

Preferred Method of Contact: ☐ Email ☐ Phone

Address _____

City _____ Province _____

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Positively Pro-Life Newsletter

I would like to receive the newsletter by:

☐ Email

☐ Canada Post

☐ I would like to join the Board of Directors



Dear Lord,

We thank you for our many blessings in the past, and for all that, with your help, we are yet to achieve.

We pray that our giving thanks may be accompanied by our firm resolve to proclaim, celebrate, and serve the gift of every human life: our family and friends, close to us; ourselves; those who are yet to be born; those who have been born; those who are growing; and those who may be vulnerable, and the elderly in our world.

We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

See our Banners at these Events

November 26, 2022

Breakfast with the Bishop

Place: St. Peter's RC Church

541 Silvergrove Drive NW

Tickets: \$50

Contact: franciscanandfriends.ca

December 12, 2022

Our Lady of Guadalupe

*To borrow this display banner,
please contact pro-life@shaw.ca*

February 16-17, 2023

Calgary Teachers Convention



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Calgary Pro-Life