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find current abortion law and practice difficult to ignore. This is certainly not because we are Roman Catholics, but perhaps because we are preoccupied by our three children who, were it not for certain medical and technological advances, would not be alive today. Indulge us for a minute or two.



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For a variety of reasons, some of them less understandable than others, we citizens of the United States of America are destroving or tolerating the destruction of three unborn children every minute. For this social atrocity, each of us is guilty-not only the mother who decides to eliminate her child, not only the man who has abandoned her and the child he helped to conceive, not only the members of the board of trustees of the corporation which owns the facility in which the child is destroyed, not only the technician who is paid by the corporation to destroy the child, not only the jurists who have acquiesced in the destruction of the child, not only the many people too fainthearted or callous to speak even a word in the child's behalf and not only the very well-financed lobbying group which works tirelessly to prevent legal machinary from operating in the child's favor.

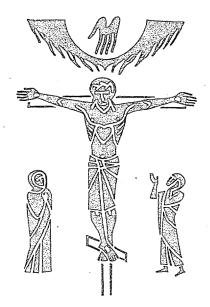
To the extent that each of us tolerates a certain attitude toward children, each of us participates in that powerful movement which now almost nonchalantly executes about one and a half million of them a year. We have allowed ourselves to become incapable of seeing children for what they are. We have allowed ourselves to sentimentalize them, to regard them as mere objects of great beauty, to regard them as extensions of our own empty selves, to regard them as options, projects, luxuries... anything, really, but what they are. To the extent that we have not learned to revere children, we have prepared the way for the horror now so close to us. And that is why any true resistance to this ongoing atrocity must begin with conversion. We simply must beg God to enter the darkest regions of our hearts and to heal us, so that we may become the sort of people whose very lives explain that every child is truly his ambassador.



There are, clearly, people who don't see children this way (there are difficult mealtimes when we ourselves don't) just as there are people who are deaf, dumb, blind, paralyzed or even more seriously blighted. It must become the source of our deepest

joy to remind such people and ourselves that God loves them ...even folks like us ...as his very own children. We must learn to remind ourselves and each other that God has taken a horrible risk with us, and that his very own heart must ache within our breast for the children who are killing each other. We must take that awesome heartache and on know it as the cross. There is. William Gauchet once wrote, "no love without the cross, and no cross without a victim. And whether we be on the cross or beneath it weeping, there is Christ, and sorrow shall be turned to joy."

The first step in resisting the evil of abortion is to know and rejoice in this cross.

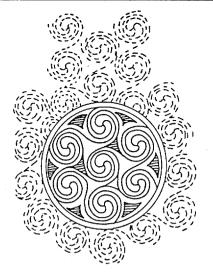


### MARCH

On Sunday, January 20, there will be a MARCH sponsorer by the Knights of Columbus to call public attention to the way we feel. The March will begin at 1:30 P.M., leaving from the K of C Hall on North Michigan Street by Leeper Park. The March will end up at St. Patrick's Church where there will be a talk by Janet Smith. Rides to the starting point of the march will be available for the Notre Dame Community. These rides will leave from the main circle between 1:00 and 1:15.

#### DEMONSTRATION

On Tuesday, January 22, the anniversary of the Roe vs Wade case legalizing abortion, there will be a demonstration in front of the Women's Pavilion, the abortion clinic, at 425 N. St. Louis Blvd. Rides to this demonstration will be provided by the Knights of Columbus and will leave from the main circle between noon and 12:30. This demonstration is being sponsored by the St. Joseph's County Right to Life.



## Night Prayer

Every Thursday at 9:15 in the evening

Sacred Heart Church - Lady Chapel

Music provided by the Notre Dame Folk Choir

#### Liturgical Schedule

Liturgical Schedule		
Daily Mass		
Main Church	11:30 a.m. 5:15 p.m. Sunday Vigi 5:15 p.m.	Mon Sat.
Crypt	12:10 p.m.	Mon Sat. Mon Fri. Mon Fri. Mon Fri.
Sunday Mass		
Main Church	5:15 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	(Sat.)
Crypt	6:00 a.m. 7:15 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:45 p.m.	

## St. Francis Shoppe

The St. Francis Shoppe is a Third World Handcraft shop. It is located to the rear of Fatima Retreat Center on 31 North across from St. Mary's College. St. Francis Shoppe is non-profit and staffed by volunteers. Volunters are always needed and very welcome.

This is a truly ecumenical effort well worth a visit. The shop is open Monday through Saturday from 10 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Come and see the impressively colorful items from El Salvador, Mexico, Tanzania, Chile, Paraguay - and help our brothers and sisters in the developing countries.

