



A Busy Year Ahead

As we look ahead to the coming months, **Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie** has much to be grateful for—and even more to look forward to. Spring is always a busy and important time in the pro-life movement, and 2026 is no exception.

Our Fundraising Spaghetti Supper on April 12 is a wonderful opportunity not only to support our work, but also to come together as a community to celebrate life.



In May, we will once again travel to Ottawa for the [National March for Life](#) on **May 14**, and we are hoping to fill the bus this year! We are also encouraging young people to

take part in the **Youth Summit on May 15**, with financial support available to help make this possible.

Other key events include a Pro-Life Hour of Prayer on **April 30** at St. Francis de Sales, and our annual Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser, beginning on Mother's Day and concluding on Father's Day. We also continue to support the **Truth Truck**, helping to bring the reality of abortion into the public square and awaken hearts and minds.

We encourage you to hold on to this newsletter and keep the calendar close at hand so you don't miss anything.

While there is much good work being done, the reality in Canada remains deeply troubling. In 2023, there were 101,553

reported abortions, the highest number in ten years and an increase of approximately 4.5% from 2022. That means more than 100,000 lives lost in one year—**over 275 babies killed every single day**.

At the other end of life, the situation is equally alarming. 16,499 Canadians died by Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) in 2024, and the numbers continue to rise at an unprecedented pace. Since legalization in 2016, the **total number of deaths** is fast **approaching 100,000**.

Even the United Nations has raised serious concerns about Canada's approach, stating:

"The concept of 'choice' creates a false dichotomy by setting up the premise that if persons with disabilities are suffering, it is valid for the State Party to enable their death."

These are not just statistics; they represent real people, real lives, and a growing culture that increasingly fails to protect the most vulnerable among us.

And yet, this is precisely why our work matters and why your support is so important.

One of the simplest ways to take action is by becoming a member of Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie. For just \$25, you can support our work locally and across Canada. Sign up using the form on the back or online.

Together, we can continue to build a culture of life.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, April 12

Pro-Life Spaghetti Supper
4 pm to 7 pm | Agora Catholic Centre

Thursday, April 30

Pro-Life Hour of Prayer
7 pm to 8 pm | St. Francis de Sales

Sunday, May 10

**Baby Bottle Drive
Fundraiser Begins**
Pick up your bottle at your parish

Thursday, May 14

Bus to March for Life
7:30 am to 4 pm | Ottawa

Friday, May 15

Pro-Life Youth Summit
8 am to 4 pm | Ottawa

Sunday, June 21

**Baby Bottle Drive
Fundraiser Ends**
Drop your bottle off at your parish

Sunday, October 4

Life Chain 2026
2 pm to 3 pm
Brookdale & Ninth | Ninth & McConnell

Consider joining us at 1 or more of these events and stand up for life.

www.prolifecornwall.ca

Pro-Life News & Updates

Life Worth Living Film Available

The documentary *Life Worth Living: Averting the Canadian Euthanasia Crisis* continues to gain attention, including being named a finalist at the Cannes World Film Festival. The film features powerful testimonies from individuals directly affected, as well as doctors and advocates working to prevent euthanasia in Canada. It is a compelling and educational resource for anyone wanting to better understand what is happening in our country. Individuals and groups are encouraged to rent or purchase the film. Visit lifeworthlivingfilm.com for more information.

A Life Protected

A supporter recently shared how the **Life-Protecting Power of Attorney for Personal Care** helped save her mother's life. After a medical crisis, her mother expressed a desire to die while in hospital. However, because this document had been completed in advance, her wishes were respected, and no action was taken toward euthanasia. She returned home, received proper care, and lived several more meaningful months, including celebrating her birthday with family. This simple but powerful document helps ensure your voice is heard when it matters most.

Euthanasia Numbers Continue to Rise

Euthanasia deaths in Canada continue to increase at an alarming rate. Based on current trends, Canada is expected to surpass **100,000 deaths by mid-2026**. Provincial data reflects this growth, with a **7.3% increase in Ontario** and over **11% in Alberta** in just one year. In response, Alberta has introduced **Bill 18**, aimed at strengthening safeguards and ensuring greater protection for vulnerable patients.

Calls for Change Growing

Recent cases, including the death of a 26-year-old man under Canada's "Track 2" law, have sparked renewed concern across the country. Families and advocates are speaking out, calling for stronger protections.

At the same time, international criticism continues to grow. A recent United Nations report raised serious concerns that Canada's approach risks enabling death without ensuring proper care and support for those who are suffering.

More Than We Imagined

To better understand this issue, Google [*"More Than We Imagined."*](#) an article by Dr. Shawn Whatley, who raises serious ethical and practical concerns about the expansion of euthanasia in Canada.

Note: Much of the information in this section is drawn from the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. To learn more, visit epcc.ca.



Opportunities for Youth and Young Adults

There are several exciting opportunities coming up for youth and young adults who want to learn more about the pro-life movement and make a real difference.

Pro-Life Youth Summit

On **Friday, May 15, 2026**, the **Pro-Life Youth Summit** returns to Ottawa. Hosted by Campaign Life Coalition Youth and Niagara Region Right to Life, this one-day event brings together young people from across the country for inspiring talks, fellowship, and formation. One of this year's featured speakers is **Rebecca Kiessling**, whose powerful testimony—*"Conceived in Rape: From Worthless to Priceless"*—offers a moving witness to the dignity of every human life.



The cost of the Youth Summit is \$90 per youth. Subsidies are available. If you are interested in attending the Youth Summit contact the Pro-Life office.

Pro-Life Crash Course

Looking ahead to the summer, the **Toronto Pro-Life Crash Course** (July 16—18) offers a more in-depth, hands-on experience. This three-day training equips participants with practical skills in pro-life apologetics, respectful dialogue, and effective outreach. Participants will also have the opportunity to engage in real conversations on the streets, learning how to change hearts and minds in a compassionate and meaningful way.

For more information go to: endthekilling.ca/crash-course/toronto/

CCBR Summer Internships

For those seeking an even deeper commitment, the **Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform (CCBR)** offers paid summer internships in cities across Canada. These internships combine intensive training with front-line outreach, forming young leaders in the pro-life movement while making a tangible impact.

For more information go to: endthekilling.ca

If you or someone you know is interested, we encourage you to prayerfully consider taking part. It could be the beginning of something life-changing—for you and for others.

[Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie](#) is pleased to support our youth. **Subsidies may be available** to help cover the cost of participating in these programs.

Jump on the Bus and Join Us for the 2026 March for Life

We invite you to join us for the **National March for Life** (marchforlife.ca) in Ottawa on Thursday, May 14, an inspiring day of witness, prayer, and solidarity in support of life.



Last year's March for Life in Ottawa

Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie is once again offering a free bus, with 48 spots available, and we would love to fill every seat! The bus will depart from the Walmart parking lot in Cornwall, with additional pick-ups in St. Andrews West and Monkland.

The day begins with Mass at 10:00 AM at St. Patrick's Basilica. The rally begins at 12:30 PM on Parliament Hill, followed by the march through downtown Ottawa. Following the march there are testimonies from the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, and a closing prayer service.

Whether this is your first time or you've attended before, the March for Life is a powerful reminder that we are not alone in this mission.

To reserve your spot on the bus, visit prolifecornwall.ca, email prolife@cogeco.net, or call 613-937-0536.



MAY 14, 2026

PARLIAMENT HILL, OTTAWA

IN CANADA, USING A PLASTIC FORK IS MORE CONTROVERSIAL THAN KILLING AN INNOCENT HUMAN BEING!

According to a 2020 survey by the Angus Reid Institute, there are 2x as many Canadians who think using single-use plastics is usually or always wrong (51%) than there are Canadians who think abortion is usually or always wrong (26%).

Take the Alliance for Life Ontario Quizzes

Poll after poll indicates that most people are unaware of the basic facts surrounding the topic of abortion. Take a few minutes to test your own knowledge. Your score will be tallied when you click the submit button at the end of each quiz.

There are ____ babies aborted for every hundred babies born in Canada:

- a) 13
- b) 23
- c) 26
- d) 43

A developing baby's heart starts to beat at:

- a) 21 days
- b) 42 days
- c) 10 weeks

No one knows when human life begins

- ◇ True
- ◇ False

Go to allianceforlifeontario.ca/quizzes/ to find the answers and take the full quizzes.



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SPAGHETTI SUPPER FUNDRAISER

Join us at the AGORA CATHOLIC CENTRE
(301 McConnell Ave, Cornwall)



Cesar Salad



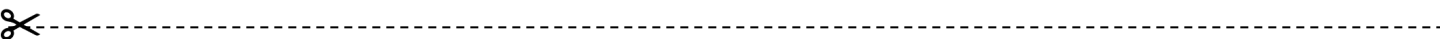
Dinner Roll



Dessert Squares

PRICE \$15/person
Kids 8 & under eat FREE!

APRIL
12
4 pm - 7 pm





Pro-Life Cornwall Annual Membership Form

We invite you to become a member of **Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie**. For just \$25, your membership directly supports pro-life efforts here in Cornwall, as well as initiatives across Canada.

As a member, you'll stay connected to our work through our quarterly newsletter and receive updates on events, initiatives, and ways to get involved. Most importantly, your support helps ensure that we can continue to promote and defend life in our community. Please complete and return the form below or sign up at prolifecornwall.ca

Full Name _____

Email Address _____

Address (Street) _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Payment Method

Membership is just \$25 per year—you can pay by e-transfer to prolife@cogeco.net or mail a cheque to:

Pro-Life Cornwall
812 Pitt Street, Unit 27
Cornwall, ON K6J 5R1

I enclose an additional \$ _____ as a donation to Pro-Life.

