



# *NEWSLETTER*

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## CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

***ACTION ALERT!!! ACTION ALERT!!! ACTION ALERT!!!***

### Require Parental Notification Before A Minor's Abortion

#### **H.B. No. 5309 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE TO A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A MINOR CHILD WHO SEEKS TO RECEIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

Currently, in Connecticut, there is no requirement that parents be notified before their minor daughter has an abortion. The State of Connecticut and Planned Parenthood have set themselves up as the usurpers of parental rights.

This bill, HB 5309, which was heard by the Judiciary Committee in a public hearing on March 2, would require parental notification before a minor girl could obtain an abortion in Connecticut.

A major recent study, by the Ethics and Public Policy Center, shows that the abortion pill is a lot more dangerous to the pregnant woman than previously thought, causing major complications in over 10% of abortions using the pill. Parents should not first learn of their minor daughter's abortion when they are called to the hospital emergency room.

**The Judiciary Committee and the legislature could vote on this bill any day. You can find your state legislators at: [www.cga.ct.gov/asp/menu/cgafindleg.asp](http://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/menu/cgafindleg.asp). Ask your state legislators to vote for HB 5309 to return to parents their rightful power to raise their minor children without the State and Planned Parenthood trampling on their parental rights.**

# ***5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONNECTICUT MARCH FOR LIFE***

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>**

We are less than two weeks away from this year's March for Life at the State Capitol in Hartford! Plan to march with us on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, in defense of the unborn and all of Connecticut's most vulnerable citizens.



10:30 AM – Pre-Rally Concert

11:30 AM - Rally at the Capitol

12:30 PM - March around Bushnell Park

Last year over 3,000 Connecticut pro-lifers turned out and this year an even larger crowd is expected as the fight to save the unborn continues post-Roe in the states.

## **SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

- KEYNOTE SPEAKER – RYAN BOMBERGER - CO-FOUNDER, AUTHOR, CHIEF CREATIVE OFFICER, RADIANCE FOUNDATION
- JENNIE BRADLEY LICHTER, PRESIDENT – *NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE*
- GERRY WILLIAMS, RADIO SHOW HOST, WIHS
- THE MOST REVEREND RICHARD F. REIDY, BISHOP OF NORWICH
- CHRIS HEALY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, *CONNECTICUT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE*
- PETER WOLFGANG, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, *FAMILY INSTITUTE OF CONNECTICUT*
- JESSICA FAIRCHILD, PRO-LIFE ADVOCATE
- ADRIENNE GRETO - HOPELINE PREGNANCY CENTER
- ROBERT ALBINO, NATIONAL HISPANIC CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

## **Associated Connecticut March for Life Events Include:**

### **10:00 AM - PRE-MARCH FOR LIFE WORSHIP SERVICE**

Lutherans will gather for our pre-March for Life worship service at Bethany Lutheran Church, 1655 Boulevard, West Hartford, CT on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM. Pastor Hardaway, of Christ Church, Hebron, CT, will be leading the service.

### **10:30 AM - STUDENT SIGN MAKING CONTEST**

The Connecticut Pregnancy Care Coalition is hosting a student sign contest. Students, bring your hand-made signs to the bottom left-hand side of the stage between 10:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. before the rally starts to be judged. See <https://marchforlife.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/MFL-Sign-Competition.pdf> for more details on prizes!

**MEET YOUR LEGISLATORS** - While in Hartford, meet with your state senator and state representative before or after the March. You can find your state legislators **here:** <https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/menu/cgafindleg.asp>. To make an appointment, call:

**House Democrats:** 860-420-8500

**House Republicans:** 860-240-8700

**Senate Democrats:** 860-240-8600

**Senate Republicans:** 860-240-8800

Buses are expected to pick up pro-lifers at over 20 locations throughout the state for the trip to and from the Capitol in Hartford. Thanks to major subsidies by the Knights of Columbus, most round-trip bus fares will be at a reduced rate. To get the email address of a bus captain in your area, visit: [www.canva.com/design/DAGbEwmKvXI/OBgQjDPm7xhcm1LXCQGqmA/view?utm\\_content=DAGbEwmKvXI&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=uniquelinks&utm\\_id=h6b832b1298](http://www.canva.com/design/DAGbEwmKvXI/OBgQjDPm7xhcm1LXCQGqmA/view?utm_content=DAGbEwmKvXI&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniquelinks&utm_id=h6b832b1298) Volunteer bus captains are needed to have a bus start or pick up at your church, school or somewhere else in your town.

For more information about the **CONNECTICUT MARCH FOR LIFE**, to sign up as a bus captain, or to register as a marshal or volunteer, go to: marshals during the March.

<https://marchforlife.org/connecticut-march-for-life/>

Recruit fellow pro-lifers to attend this year's March from your church, school or town!

**March in defense of the unborn children of Connecticut, and their mothers!**

### **LOVE THEM BOTH!**

### **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS**

Post-abortive men and women, ranging in age from the teens to the mid-eighties, have participated in past retreats to receive God's love, forgiveness and compassion after suffering from the effects of an abortion. For information about the next scheduled retreat in the Archdiocese of Hartford, call 203-631-9030, email [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org) or visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org). The retreats are held three weekends a year. A fee includes meals, a private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. In the Diocese of Bridgeport, the Project Rachel Confidential Contact can be reached at 203-416-1619 or [projectrachel@diobpt.org](mailto:projectrachel@diobpt.org)

# **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

## **2026 Spring Campaign**

**CONTINUING TO SUNDAY, MARCH 29**

### **BRIDGEPORT**

### **NEW HAVEN**

### **WEST HARTFORD**

**Pray, fast, community outreach, continuous vigil at abortion clinics**

#### **BRIDGEPORT**

Planned Parenthood, 4697 Main Street – on the public sidewalk entrance to Commerce Park.  
For information, email: [bgrabows@aol.com](mailto:bgrabows@aol.com)

#### **NEW HAVEN**

Planned Parenthood, 345 Whitney Avenue, call 210-326-2154 or email:  
[prolifewhitehaven@gmail.com](mailto:prolifewhitehaven@gmail.com)

#### **WEST HARTFORD**

Planned Parenthood 1030 New Britain Avenue – call 860-966-2884 or email:  
[prolifewesthartford@gmail.com](mailto:prolifewesthartford@gmail.com)

For further information about *40 Days for Life*, and, in particular, more detailed information about the individual locations listed above, go to [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

**HARTFORD FOR LIFE** – Lenten Witnessing Challenge –outside Planned Parenthood, West Hartford – 9-10 AM every Saturday during Lent – for more information, contact [ellabeckman@gmail.com](mailto:ellabeckman@gmail.com)

## **2026 CALENDAR OF PRO-LIFE EVENTS**

### **MARCH**

- 14 (Saturday) **HARTFORD FOR LIFE** – Lenten Witnessing Challenge – 9-10 AM, Planned Parenthood, West Hartford
- 18 (Wednesday) **5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CT MARCH FOR LIFE**, State Capitol, Hartford
  - 10:30 AM - Pre-Rally Concert
  - 11:30 AM - Rally at the Capitol
  - 12:30 PM - March around Bushnell Park
- 21 (Saturday) **HARTFORD FOR LIFE** – Lenten Witnessing Challenge – 9-10 AM, Planned Parenthood, West Hartford
- 28 (Saturday) **HARTFORD FOR LIFE** – Lenten Witnessing Challenge – 9-10 AM, Planned Parenthood, West Hartford
- 29 (Sunday) **40 Days for Life ends**

## **2026 CALENDAR OF PRO-LIFE EVENTS** - continued

### **APRIL**

4 (Saturday) **HARTFORD FOR LIFE** – Lenten Witnessing Challenge – 9-10 AM,  
Planned Parenthood, West Hartford

### **MAY**

6 (Wednesday) **2026 Session of the Connecticut General Assembly ends.**  
24 – 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dobbs decision **partially** overturning Roe v. Wade

### **ORDER YOUR OFFICIAL “CHOOSE LIFE” CONNECTICUT LICENSE PLATE**



**Proceeds benefit CT's pregnancy care centers.**

**What are you waiting for?**

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