

Knights of Columbus

Faith in Action – Life

2023 Summer DD Training Summary of Activity since the Convention

Worthy knights. To say the Brother Knights participating in Life activities all year but especially since the annual convention would be an understatement. The focus has been on the proposed bill to expand abortion on demand from 24 weeks to birth if approved by a physician is where the energy has been. This horrific proposed bill is skewed in its justification but thanks to all our Christian Life warriors it has been met with great resistance.

We want to commend all those Brother Knights who showed up to testify, pray, contact legislators, coordinate that contact at their home councils and parishes.

Here is a short list of specific activities from the FIA – Life Pillar.

- Participated in the opposition of LD 1619 Abortion Expansion and several related bills.
 - 650 people including several Knights testified in person against the bill at the Judiciary Committee hearings, and several hundred people submitted written testimonies as well.
- Conducted Silver Rose prayer services at 6 councils in the state.
- Conducted Rosary for Life services
- Performed Several Novenas for Life
- Marched for Life (at the State Capitol) as part of a day long consortium of Pro-Life groups participating in a Maine Right to Life program called Hands at the Capitol.
- Participated in Several Pregnancy Support contributions and activities.
- Continue to support Ultrasound Programs.

I'm sure we haven't included everything that happened on a daily basis but I can vouch that this space is seeing unusually high activity and focus and it doesn't appear it will subside given our current culture's myopic view of the unborn and lack of respect for Life.

Respectfully submitted

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