Be unafraid to defend human life

There is something moving about looking out at a great immensity. Take, for instance, the Adirondack Mountains, the ocean. Something about these great expanses reminds us to consider the goodness and beauty that’s out there and to desire to discover it more fervently.

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But that coin has another side. At the Holocaust museum in Washington, D.C., there is an exhibit featuring an expanse of shoes representing those who were killed by Hitler’s Final Solution.

Immensities such as this make our breath catch in a different way. They evoke a deep recognition of evil, a realization of the full extent of wrongness.

How can one possibly look upon them and turn away as if he had seen nothing? Satan knows that we humans have a soft spot for breathtaking immensities. He is cunning, impossible to stay one step ahead of, and he doesn’t play clean.

Perhaps this is a reason why the greatest human rights violation of our time, the abortion holocaust, is happening in our own backyards, and many of us do not see it as a finger. We cannot look upon the shoes or the corpses or the gravestones of the victims of this genocide and passively let the image grip us until we are moved to action.

There are no shoes; there are no gravestones.

The great deceiver has chosen victims who can conveniently disappear from sight in biological waste containers, unseen by anyone, until we start to believe that they were never there at all.

As Ronald Reagan said with regard to the Holocaust, “We who did not go there at all.”

Perhaps this is a reason why we are not as likely to see and believe that they were never there at all.

Now we must be strong against this unspeakable, unseen evil. We must be active in fighting abortion, in pouring out our love on those who believe abortion is their only choice, in shaping a society where the poor, the lost, and the vulnerable are protected and cherished.

Because if we begin to do this, we begin to see that there is an immensity out there to gezue upon, and it is as scary as any — it is the immensity of a void. A void where the children lost to abortion fill. A void where our manhood and womanhood, whole and un damaged, ought to be flourish ing. A void where in this society of material plenty, happiness ought to abound.

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And then, let us at last, all of us, be unafraid to take a stand in defense of human life.

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Strength from the Eucharist

The sacrament of the Eucharist sustains those who are tired, worn out or lost in the world and transforms human sorrow into joy, Pope Benedict XVI said.

He offered his life before it was taken from him on the cross and as such “transforms his violent death into a free act of giving himself for others. Violences immediately are transformed into an active, free and redemptive sacrifice,” the pope said.

The pope said that, at the Last Supper, Jesus prayed for his disciples, especially Peter, warning him, according to the Gospel of Luke, that “Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat.” But Jesus prayed that his disciple’s faith would not fail and that Peter, who would betray Jesus, would return to strengthen the others’ faith, the pope said.

“The Eucharist is food for our souls, which becomes our source of strength also for those in any need, wear out and lost,” Pope Benedict said.

Support the Respect Life Collection of the Diocese of Ogdensburg in our parishes the weekend of January 21–22

Proceeds will be distributed through grants to various North Country parishes, organizations, and programs for the support of a variety of respect life initiatives.

Thank you for your generosity toward this most special need. Proceed to plan now that will all recognize, honor, and protect the precious gift of life.

www.dioceseondsgns.org/pro-life

YOUNG CATHOLIC VOICE

Having the courage to defend human life... p. 12

This month marks the 39th March for Life. Life is Jan. 23

Ready to March

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My achin’ ankle

Be careful what you wish for! Back in December, when I was overwhelmed with family obliga-
tions, work pressures and holiday cheer, nothing sounded better than a day of relaxing in-
doing absolutely nothing. Until I had an ankle at one end and no choice!

Our tree wasn’t up. I wanted to shop. Our tree wasn’t up.

There was no such thing as ‘no’. I declared:

“My ankle’s better!”

My friend had a much higher priority than

my ankle. I had a much higher priority than

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restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life is the personal responsibility of all of us, individuals as well as all and of the vertical line to the horizon to which we are all called. Still, we do not give up hope because our God can change all hearts and witness the Gospel of love. We pray that with hearts so transformed, a culture of life will emerge, not just a pipedream, but a vision of the future to which we are called. 

While we continue to work perspicuously, many individuals participate in Life marches and rallies, others support politicians at our nation's capital, to whom we are morally committed to this goodness. This national, to boldly proclaim that everyone shares God's image and has an immortal soul. As in every age, the Church holds to the belief of a new life, to show reverence for the life of every person committed through acts of abortion. Let us, this New Year, recommit to the effort of Life efforts, beginning on our knees.

The Diocese of Ogdensburg has hired Scott Lalone as executive director of the Office of Life. Prior to that Lalone was executive director of the Office of Life. 

He will succeed Janice Shiomoto, who retired in May 2012 after 22 years of service with the diocese.

Lalone is currently the associate executive director of the Claren- ton-Hammond United Way. Before going to the Clarendon-Hammond United Way, he was with Catholic Charities of the South. He has a master’s degree in business administration from the University of San Francisco.

The position is responsible for fundraising and grantwriting and in- creased efforts to mediate the financial needs of the diocese in order to assure the success of its mission. Lalone will work to ensure that the internal controls are in compliance with all state and federal regulations as well as all the policies of the diocese.

The position is critical to the position of the diocese, meeting their financial needs and providing for a home for people with disabilities. Lalone brings with him a strong operational expertise relating to the management of the Regional Care Homes to include: operations and management of the Regional Care facilities, transition, transportation services and development of the management of the regional care centers. The individual should possess strong leadership skills and confidentiality skills.

Qualifications: Bachelor’s Degree in Business Management and Human Services a plus; minimum of two years administrative experience in an adult residential setting, including experience in a professional level environment. Ideal candidate would have three years general re- sponsibilities in a similar role, including developing and implementing effective financial and operational strategies for the organization.

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The 2011 K of C Chapter donations were made to Immaculate Heart Central in Watertown, The Brook Haven House in Carthage and Bill Gildert, president, board of directors, Brook Haven House; Tom Sherwood, pastor, Long Falls Baptist Church; Col. William Edward Pultorak, a Master 4th Degree from Deferiet, led Knights of Columbus Chapter Knights of Columbus Chapter Week Celebration at the Education Building in Ogdensburg; 7:30 p.m., St. Lawrence University in Canton.; 11 a.m., Mass at St. Mary’s School in Ogdensburg.

To Report Abuse
If you have a complaint of suspected child abuse, please contact the church pastor, a school principal, or a Bishop’s aide. You can also write to the bishop at the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

Bishop LaValley’s Schedule
Jan. 11 – 11 a.m., Diocesan Planning Meeting at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Ogdensburg.
Jan. 24 – 11 a.m., MASS at the Sacred Heart in Ogdensburg.
Jan. 15 – 9 a.m., Opening Catholics Holy Hour at the St. Thomas Aquinas in Canton.
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Following his Baptism by John and the thunderous witness of God the Father in last week’s Gospel that this man, Jesus, is really the Son of God.

We hear today Jesus’ own words, “Repent and believe in the Gospel.”

Since John is in prison, Jesus takes up where John left off, and goes in search of His own followers. What power must have flowed from Him for Simon Peter and his brother Andrew, James, and his brother John drop everything, leave their families and their fishing nets, and follow the Lord.

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Pro-life citizens must stay the course

By Kathleen M. Gallagher

January 20, 2012

Events in Washington and around the US mark 39th anniversary of Roe v. Wade

by Carole M. Christensen

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Thursday's vigil was held at the Verizon Center in Washington, D.C. It drew the biggest crowd among the Ignatian Pro-Life Network's activities, including a rosary, confessions, hourly holy hours, a mini-march, speeches at the National Prayer Vigil for Life, and Mass at St. Aloysius Church.

Tens of thousands of people from around the country and the world gathered in Washington, D.C., Jan. 21, to celebrate the annual National Prayer Vigil for Life, a major pro-life event on the Religious Liberty Conference for Religious Liberty, called it "a great day for the First Amend- ment." The U.S. Supreme Court held that such an exception to federal employment laws exists. The unanimous conclusion of the court was "yes." Roberts wrote: "The mem- ber of the church has the right to be a minister under the First Amend- ment. The court has determined that a ministerial exception exists for religious groups that are acting within the scope of their ministry."

The Supreme Court decision that abortion is the most controversial issue in our state needs greater re- sponsibility for our health and safety of women. There is a strong movement in the mid-1990's when some in New York who had no medical license to perform abortions, as well as illegal billing practices, may remember "American Women's Services," known as "American Women's Services." Here's a practitioner who wasn't even licensed to do abortions, and illegal billing practices, convicted of murder in the second degree for the death following a bungled abortion in his filthy office out of consideration for the other patients. In 1995, Alaska charged people with long and heroic records of gross negligence, incompetence, and illegal abortion, some even more than 20 years old, seized their licenses to practice their trade.

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Despite the ongoing debate, the reality of abortion remains a stark reality for many women. Stories of women who have had abortions are often overshadowed by the legal and political battles surrounding the issue. The pro-life movement continues to grow, with new organizations and activists always emerging to promote their cause. The pro-choice movement, on the other hand, is more established and has a broader base of support.

The debate over abortion is complex and multifaceted. It involves not only legal and political considerations but also ethical and moral ones. It is a topic that affects individuals, families, and communities in different ways. As we approach the 39th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, it is important to remember the lives lost to abortion and to continue to seek peaceful and just solutions to this ongoing issue.
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In his encyclical “Caritas in Veritate” (Charity in Truth), Pope Benedict XVI reminded us, “To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity. The more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbors, the more effectively we love them.”

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Bishops attempt to fulfill this requirement is through the work of the New York State Catholic Conference, which exists for the very purpose of pursuing justice by acting within the legislative arena.

The Conference helps to shape public policies that protect and enhance the dignity of all people, beginning with the very beginning of life. Such work must not be left to the Catholic Conference alone. All Catholics have a duty to be engaged in the public square and to put the common good ahead of party politics.

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People often be complex, our guiding principles are not. Thankfully, the Church has outlined seven easy-to-understand principles of Catholic Social Teaching that guides us in the formation of our positions on public policy matters. They are:

• Respect for the Life and Dignity of the Human Person
• A Call to Family, Community and Participation
• Recognition of Human Rights and Responsibilities
• Special Concern for the Poor and Vulnerable
• The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
• Solidarity With Our Brothers and Sisters
• Care for God’s Creation

Examining issues through the lens of these principles provides clarity in what can often be an overwhelming, hesitating and contentious process.

In a very real way, we give glory to God when we put these principles to work in our society. The Catholic Church brings an important voice to the policy arena, speaking for those who are frequently voiceless. Our methods of advocacy must be characterized by charity, fidelity and respect, and we call upon all involved in shaping policy to put aside petty differences and party politics to work together to address the genuine needs of the people of our state.

We invite all Catholic New Yorkers to join us in pursuing the moral priorities and legislative objectives for 2012 (which will be outlined in upcoming issues of the North Country Catholic!)

You can easily be kept up to date and contact your legislators to take action, simply by joining the Catholic Advocacy Network at www.nyscatholic.org. CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE.
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Lalone is a member of the Catholic Lay Healers of the Adirondacks, a group that promotes the spiritual and moral development of its members.

Lalone's hiring is a significant step forward for the diocese, which has been working to expand its outreach and to increase its financial stability.

Lalone will be responsible for identifying and cultivating potential donors, developing and implementing strategies to raise funds, and stewarding relationships with current donors.

He will work closely with the diocesan leadership to ensure that the diocese is able to meet its financial goals and to support its mission of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Lalone's background in the environmental movement and his expertise in development make him an ideal fit for this position.

He holds a degree in environmental science from Union College and has experience in fundraising, grant writing, and community outreach.

Lalone is a strong advocate for the protection of the environment and is committed to promoting the values of the diocese.

He is married to Emma, 8, and has two children.

His hiring is a testament to the diocese's commitment to building a strong, sustainable future for the Catholic Church in the Adirondacks.

The Diocese of Ogdensburg is nestled in the Adirondack Mountains and is home to nearly 60 parishes and missions.

It is committed to promoting the spiritual and moral development of its members and to serving the needs of the community.

The diocese's hiring of Lalone is a significant step forward in its efforts to support its mission and to build a strong, sustainable future for the Catholic Church in the Adirondacks.
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There was so much I wanted to share –

Our tree wasn’t up. I wanted to share my joy about finding my life.

I just spent the better part of two days, I didn’t dare move without crutches. For Pete’s sake, I couldn’t carry a cup of coffee. I even fell down in the parking lot while in my wheelchair, and I was not even out of my driveway.

Not less than 24 hours after my emergency visit to the ER, a friend had to be reminded that I had had a bad foot day no good, nothing had happened to me, and that I was not one of those Facebook people who post pictures of all their Facebook friends.

Do not look forward in fear to the challenges of life; rather look to them with full hope as they arise.

God, who very own you are.

He will keep you by his power.

He will feed you safely through all things;

He will take care of you then and always;

He will lead you safely through all things;

He will give you unfailing love and compassion for sinners?

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He was too soft on sinners.

Look at all the time he spent with prostitutes, sin-

ners, tax collectors, etc.

The father’s compassion is wide and caring and can

not be prescriptive on God’s mercy.

We do not judge God’s goodness and mercy.

For better or worse, I now know God.

It was scary.

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Support the Respect Life Collection of the Diocese of Ogdensburg in our parishes the weekend of January 21-22

Proceeds will be distributed through grants to various North Country parish organizations, and programs for the support of a variety of respect life initiatives.

Thank you for your generosity toward this most special need. Proceed to pray all will continue, honor and protect the precious gift of life.

www.dioodensburg.org/pro-life

Be unafraid to defend human life

There is something moving about looking out at a great immensity. Take the vastness of the ocean. Some-}

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