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## Horrific NPR Audio Proves How Abortion Businesses Pressure Women to Have Abortions

In the 1980s, a movie called *The Silent Scream*, narrated by former abortionist Dr. Bernard Nathanson, horrified many Americans as it showed a baby in the womb via ultrasound, trying to avoid the instruments of abortion. At one point, the baby's mouth opens in obvious distress, a cry for help that didn't come. Then that life was over.

This week, in a horrifying lack of judgment, NPR broadcast the sound track to such deaths, as they inexplicably aired an audio recording of a woman getting a suction abortion in Michigan.

Far from normalizing the end of innocent life, the sounds of death, the tears of a mother saying she can't do this, and the relentless voice of a woman whose business is death saying, "Yes, you can," combine in a moment in which the listener knows something terribly permanent took place. And a mother has a recording, broadcast nationwide, of the last moments of her child's life. How incredibly painful and uniquely terrible.

<https://www.lifenews.com/2022/11/04/horrific-npr-audio-proves-how-abortion-businesses-pressure-women-to-have-abortions/>



## THE COUNTERCULTURAL TREND OF 'GRAND-MATES'

Here's one trend that offers hope – and it's a perfect example of a culture of life. A growing number of young Americans are moving in with their grandparents.

Moving in with grandparents helps young adults save on rent and leads to intergenerational bonding. Grandparents enjoy their grandchildren's energy and companionship, not to mention some friendly youthful assistance with tasks like doctor visits and online shopping.

Meanwhile, the grandchildren enjoy their grandparents' stories and recipes, not to mention a welcoming home at little or no cost for the rent! It's a win-win situation all around.

<https://aleteia.org/2022/11/10/heartwarming-grand-mates-trend-is-the-sweetest-thing/>



## Liberals Flock to Mobile Vasectomy Clinic Called the "Nutcracker" to Protest

Read the whole story at: <https://www.lifenews.com/2022/10/14/liberals-flock-to-mobile-vasectomy-clinic-called-the-nutcracker-to-protest-overturning-roe/>



## MEET THE USCCB'S NEW PRO-LIFE CHAIR

The new pro-life chair for the U.S. Catholic bishops wants pregnant women who are struggling or feeling scared to know that they are not alone. "We, as the Catholic Church — to anyone of any denomination — we will be there for you," said Bishop Michael Burbidge of Arlington, VA, after being elected to his new position on November 16.

"I think what we have learned in the post-Dobbs decision is that we still have a lot of work to do," he said.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/252863/meet-the-us-catholic-bishops-new-pro-life-chair>

## Florida Medical Boards Ban Transgender Surgeries, Hormones for Minors

The Florida Board of Medicine and the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine approved a new rule November 4th banning puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and transgender surgeries for minors.

The two boards approved the rule banning such treatments for young people under 18 during a joint meeting on Friday, according to *Florida's Voice*.

Florida Surgeon General Joseph Ladapo had warned that the state "must do more to protect children from politics-based medicine." "While some professional organizations, such as the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the Endocrine Society, recommend these treatments for 'gender affirming' care, the scientific evidence supporting these complex medical interventions is extraordinarily weak," he added. <https://flvoicenews.com/medical-boards-ban-puberty-blockers-and-gender-transition-surgeries-for-minors/>

## USCCB WILL NOT CHANGE CITIZENSHIP GUIDE

The U.S. bishops will postpone writing a full revision of "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship," a teaching document on the political responsibility of Catholic voters, until after the 2024 election. The document is meant to advise Catholic voters on how to apply Church teaching to the decisions they make in the ballot box, and includes the statement that **abortion is a "preeminent" political issue for Catholics.**

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/252839/us-bishops-decide-to-put-off-rewriting-voting-guide-until-2024-election>



## ADMIN PUSHES ABORTION FOR UNDERAGE MIGRANTS

The Office of Refugee Resettlement, an agency in the Department of Health and Human Services in charge of housing immigrant children that arrive in the country without a parent or guardian, said officials "must not prevent [unaccompanied children] from accessing legal abortion-related services" and must facilitate access to the services when requested by the minor."

By law, the HHS has custody of children under 18 who have no immigration status in the country and do not have a parent or legal guardian in the U.S., many of whom entered the country illegally and were apprehended by border officials.

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/healthcare/biden-administration-moves-safeguard-abortion-access-for-immigrant-children>



## Twins Set World Record: Born 30 Years After They Were Frozen as Embryos

Two babies in the Pacific Northwest, whose births were facilitated by the National Embryo Donation Center (NEDC), have made history with their arrivals. Siblings Lydia Ann and Timothy Ronald, the daughter and son of Philip and Rachel Ridgeway, each spent nearly 30 years as embryos frozen in liquid nitrogen prior to being thawed earlier this year. When they were born on October 31, 2022, they set the new known record for the longest-frozen embryos to ever result in a successful live birth, according to research staff at the University of Tennessee Preston Medical Library. <https://www.lifenews.com/2022/11/23/twins-set-world-record-born-30-years-after-they-were-frozen-as-embryos/>

## Federal Court Blocks Administration's Mandate Trying to Force Christian Doctors to Do Abortions

Christian medical leaders raised the alarm about a new pro-abortion mandate from the Biden administration that could shut down Christian health care throughout the U.S. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services officials planned to revoke a Trump administration rule that protected pro-life medical workers from being forced to kill unborn babies in elective abortions.

The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals struck down the Biden abortion mandate on August 26, ruling that religious doctors could not be required to perform procedures like abortion that violate their beliefs.

The Biden administration had until November 25th to appeal the ruling and failed to do so — meaning the mandate is now blocked by the appellate court. <https://becketnewsite.s3.amazonaws.com/20220907161315/Franciscan-Opinion.pdf>

## After 160 Attacks on Churches and Pregnancy Centers, FBI Hasn't Arrested a Single Person

At least 86 Catholic churches and 74 pregnancy resource centers and pro-life organizations have been attacked since the May leak of the draft Supreme Court opinion overturning Roe v. Wade, according to a Catholic Vote tracker. Many of these buildings have been vandalized with threats such as "If abortions aren't safe, neither are you."

The FBI has said that it's investigating attacks targeting "pregnancy resource centers, faith-based organizations, and reproductive health clinics across the country" as "potential acts of domestic violent extremism, [Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act] violations, or violent crime matters," but the bureau has apparently not arrested anyone in connection with the attacks on pro-life centers and churches. <https://www.lifenews.com/2022/10/19/after-160-attacks-on-churches-and-pregnancy-centers-fbi-hasnt-arrested-a-single-person/>

## CATHOLIC DOCTORS FIGHT BACK



A coalition of thousands of Catholic and religious medical professionals sent a letter November 1st confronting three top medical groups that had urged the Justice Department to investigate and prosecute critics of "gender-affirming" medicine. "Expression of concern over the ability of youth to understand and consent to irreversible surgical interventions that result in loss of fertility and adult sexual function does not constitute harassment or intimidation," the letter stated.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/252708/catholic-doctors-confront-groups-call-for-investigation-of-gender-affirming-care-critics>



## ALARMING EFFECTS OF PUBERTY BLOCKERS IN KIDS

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a warning connected to the most common type of puberty blocker: the drug could cause brain swelling, loss of vision, and serious risks for children injected with the hormone.

Officials said a plausible association between using puberty blockers and pseudotumor cerebri, which displays symptoms similar to a brain tumor, was identified in six young girls between the ages of five and twelve. American Academy of Pediatrics <https://publications.aap.org/aapnews/news/20636/Risk-of-pseudotumor-cerebri-added-to-labeling-for-And> <https://www.dailywire.com/news/fda-officials-warn-of-brain-swelling-vision-loss-in-minors->

## TEACHERS UNION NIXES THE WORD 'MOTHER'

The National Education Association, America's top teachers union, is moving to erase the word "mother" from its messaging and instead call women "birthing parents."

The move has provoked widespread backlash from parents' rights advocates. "These are very deeply out-of-touch ideologues who are in front of our children," said Parents Defending Education President Nicole Neily. "There's not even buy-in among their members, and the fact that they're going to push this on families is offensive."

[https://www.foxnews.com/media/teachers-union-hammered-renaming-mothers-birthing-parents-deeply-touch-ideologues?intcmp=tw\\_fnc](https://www.foxnews.com/media/teachers-union-hammered-renaming-mothers-birthing-parents-deeply-touch-ideologues?intcmp=tw_fnc)

## United States Senate Passes Radical Respect for Marriage Act

The United States Senate passed the Respect for Marriage Act (RFMA) without a vital amendment to protect religious freedom. Catholic commentators, including CatholicVote, have pointed out that the RFMA will lead to religious people and institutions being attacked in courts and forced to celebrate a redefinition of marriage. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops warned ahead of the vote that the bill "puts a giant target on people of faith." The House is expected to quickly pass the Senate's modified marriage bill. <https://www.dailysignal.com/2022/11/29/united-states-senate-passes-radical-respect-for-marriage-act/>