



UNITED FOR LIFE

**WHAT HAVE WE BEEN
UP TO?**

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Mission Statement: To UNITE Prolife groups at our annual walk in NYC. We are dedicated to making NYS recognize that human life begins at conception and therefore deserves full human rights under the law.

"Together, we will make a BIG SPLASH in the BIG APPLE" God Willing

SISTERS OF LIFE - Follow them on FB :)



Perpetual Profession of Vows at St. Patrick Cathedral NYC!

On August 6, 9-12noon, United for Life president, Nissy Bandar-Zarif with her Husband, son Michael and committee member, Lew Mitchell, attended the Sisters Of Life Profession of Solemn Vows. As hundreds of Sisters, families and friends came to witness and congratulate Sister Eden Marie, Sister Elena Marie and Sister Maria Annunciata stand in front of God and Archbishop of NY, Ronald Hicks and Say "YES" to service and to love all human beings from conception to natural death.



You can't help but to shed a tear as the parents of the sisters, walk with them down the beautiful isle of St Patrick's Cathedral to the blessed altar where Archbishop Hicks was awaiting their arrival



Beautiful wedding vows and rings were exchanged.



United For Life is excited to work with the Sister Of Life and to invite them to our walk and event on April 10, 2027.. Together, we can RE-BUILD a CULTURE OF LIFE!

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS- YCP



Michael Shoule, VP of fourth-generation logistics company JW Hampton, Founder of Read Together Books, Knights of Columbus member, Board member of YCP and a Committee member of United for Life, Inc.

August 11, 2026 7:00pm at St. Michael - St. Malachi Church. The Young Catholic Professionals Brooklyn Diocese chapter which had their launch party in May of this year, hosted their first YCP Executive Speaker Series and invited Michael Shoule to be their FIRST Executive Speaker.

Michael is a parishioner at American Martyrs in Oakland Gardens, Queens and has participated with United for Life NY Walk and Celebrating Life Luncheon earlier this year.

The YCP Speaker Series is a chance for young professionals to hear from a more "seasoned" one about how they **have been able to live their faith in the workplace and the challenges they have faced.**

Michael as a Vice President of his family's-fourth generation logistics company JW Hampton, talked about the time when one of their longtime pharmaceutical clients needed help importing carbonprost tromethamine. As part of their due diligence, JW Hampton asked the importer what the drug was used for. The client replied that "carbonprost tromethamine is **indicated for aborting pregnancy between the 13th and 20th weeks of gestation...**"

Michael's response was that for **faith-based reasons, JW Hampton is NOT able to be involved in this shipment** and asked that they continue to work together on the importation of their other products which they did.

Michael also shared that prior to joining the K of C, many years ago, he told his pastor that he was pro-choice, the pastor replied, "Don't tell anyone."

If you are interested in learning more about how to become a YCP mentor, please check out this link <https://www.youngcatholicprofessionals.org/mentors>.

Likewise, if you know anyone in their 20s or 30s who might find value in what YCP has to offer, they can learn more on the YCP Brooklyn webpage: <https://www.youngcatholicprofessionals.org/chapter/brooklyn>



REAL-LIFE STORY

As one of the guests was inspired and shared her story:

"My sister was on her way to an abortion facility, when she arrived there, she saw a nun praying outside of the abortuary and that's all she needed to see to change her mind and to choose life for her baby. My niece is now 25 years old and striving."

It's a great confirmation that we are all doing God's work! **Let's keep praying for all of the mothers and fathers to change their hearts to CHOOSE LIFE!**

That was part of God's perfect plan as today, Michael credits his fellow Knights with his active involvement with the Helpers of God's Precious Infants, praying the Rosary in front of abortuaries, attending March for Life each year in Washington DC and on the planning committee for United for Life, Inc.

He also talked about his children's book company Read Together Books. When he reads one of his books, *I Love Going to the Bronx Zoo*, at elementary schools he talks to the children about **using their God-given talents** – whether it be writing or drawing or math or science or athletics or whatever - to make the world a better place.

He continued that the whole God-gift thing does not just apply to elementary school kids, but to everyone in the room that evening. And he asked all to reflect on **whether we are giving this world our best**. Are we using the gifts that God has given us to better the world? If not, why? **What little step can we do starting tonight to show God our appreciation for the gifts that He has blessed us with?**

Michael finished by reminding the YCP audience that **they are the future of the Catholic faith**. We are being attacked and persecuted to different extents in our own city, state and country and throughout the world.

The good news is we belong to a Church that has existed for nearly 2,000 years and is not going anywhere. He encouraged guests to invite a friend or family member to go to mass with them this Sunday and plant that seed.

Joyfully he stated that we are **a Resurrection people and should not be afraid to talk about it with others**. The Resurrection is a true story. It is a historical fact that Jesus rose from the dead. How awesome is that?

Michael closed with "If that is not something to get excited about then I don't know what is. And if Jesus is not someone worth following, the **ONLY ONE** worth following, I don't know who is."

HOLY FAMILY CARNIVAL - Hicksville, NY



Steve Carl, UFL Treasurer,
Dominique Carl, Committee
member, Nissy Bandar-Zarif,
UFL President and Catherine
Donohoe, UFL Vice President



August 12-15, 6pm-11pm - Holy Family held their annual festival with many fun rides for the kids and casino games for the adults. Delicious food too and much more. [Click this to Follow on FB.](#)

United for Life was Among the sponsors. Big thanks to Steve Carl and his wife Dominique for volunteering at the festival and always being servants of God.

We must always remind the Catholic families who attends and others who support these festivals that we are ALL UNITED for LIFE! Because **GOD is PROLIFE!** We are proud to speak and teach the truth and to be a reminder at every event to **STAND FOR LIFE!**

"Here I come, Lord, I come to do Your Will"
Psalms 40



NY Young Republican Club - Women's Caucus

Paint & Sip Tote bag edition 8/27 at 7pm-10pm



United for Life President, Nissy Bandar-Zarif, Vice President, Catherine Donohoe, Judy Lombardi, Tavia Trusch and Elena Coppola and many other ladies gathered to network while being creative & painting their own personal tote bag.



Fun evening in NYC with the Young Republican Club to fundraise and to promote **PROLIFE LEADERS** in New York City and beyond. We must UNITE together to show NYC that Pro-life voters still exist and will VOTE for LIFE!

LI COALITION FOR LIFE PRESENTS: (Save the date)

STAND UP FOR LIFE EVENT 10/4- 2-3:30pm!

Join us on Sunday, October 4, from 2:00pm-3:30pm (rain or shine) along Routes 110 & 25, in Huntington and LIE, Exit 70S, Country Rd. 111, in **Manorville**. Let's make this year's **Stand Up For Life** the largest witness to the untiring defense of all human life. Your participation sends a positive message to individuals, families, government and others. If you can't attend, please PRAY for the success of this campaign. www.prolifeli.org. Only approved signs are allowed and are available at both sites.

SAINT CARLO ACUTIS - At Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Manorville, Long Island!



The Statue of Saint Carlo Acutis is at the Avenue of the Saints at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Manorville Long Island.

You will have the opportunity to see it when you attend our **LIFE ROSARY RETREAT on 9/26/2026.**

Register Today

Saint Carlo Acutis- Saint For Our Time is on Long Island! Must See!

On August 29, 10am-1pm Dedication of the statue of Carlo Acutis was celebrated with a Eucharistic adoration & procession to the Rock at 10am. Saint Carlo Acutis was known for his love for the Eucharist and his work to spread the Eucharistic miracles around the world via posting them on his church's website.

His famous sayings, *"the Eucharist is my highway to heaven"* and *To always be close to Jesus, that is my life plan."*

<https://www.ourladyoftheisland.com/>



UPCOMING EVENTS



United for Life

PRESENTS

Life Rosary Retreat

SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
9AM - 5PM
Breakfast & Lunch
included



At the
Shrine of Our Lady
of the Island
258 Eastport Manor Rd.
Manorville, NY



Guest Speaker
Clare Hinshaw
Young America's
Foundation (YAF)



RETREAT SCHEDULE

- 9:00-11:00 Coffee/Bagels-Intro w interactive faith filled activities
- 11:30-12:30 Mass
- 1:45 Lunch
- 1:45-3 Life Rosary
- 3:30-4:30 Divine Mercy Chap.
- 4:30-5 Conclusion

Register today!



Inviting all
pro-lifers to
join us!
\$10 Donation

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young people to
join us
celebrate LIFE!
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SAVE the DATE

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2027



WE WALK
WITH HOPE
IN OUR HEARTS
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REGISTER TODAY by clicking on the flyer or scanning the QR code. The maximum number of people is 120. **All Young Adults and KIDS can use the code Religious ED 2026 for FREE Entry**

United For Life is looking for **active volunteers** to help us organize our 2nd Annual Walk in NYC! **Contact Nissy at (631) 645-2895 for more information.**

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200 CLUB

\$0/\$0 RAFFLE TICKET

\$25.00 EACH

\$2500 GOES TO THE WINNER

DRAWING ON APRIL 10TH 2027

EMAIL: UNITEDFORLIFENY@GMAIL.COM

NO : 005



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PROCEEDS TO LIFE'S UP 2027

Do you want a **chance to WIN \$2500** at our United For Life Event on 4/10/2027? You don't need to be present to win. Make sure you fill out the information clearly so we can contact you when you win. **ONLY 200 Tickets Sold and \$25 per ticket.** **Contact Elena at (347) 307-6234 via text.**

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Our mission is to provide quality coffee, provide excellent coffee, and provide every body with it.

OUR PURPOSE

At Seven Weeks of development, it's only in the size of a coffee bean, and for the 100,000+ a heart is clearly discernible.

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OUR IMPACT

It's not just our time. Our donation is made to support a woman's life. All we do is make the donation one step over.

Through coffee sales, we've donated hundreds of thousands of dollars, supporting the thousands of pregnancy centers and their life-giving work across the US.

WILL YOU ALLOW YOUR COFFEE TO SERVE A GREATER PURPOSE?

15% of every sale will be donated to: United For Life, Inc.

SCAN ME

DID YOU KNOW???

30% OF EVERY ONGOING SUBSCRIPTION SALE THROUGH OUR LINK GOES TO SUPPORT UNITED FOR LIFE INC!

THE HEART

SUBSCRIBE TODAY!

lifeline

ADOPTION STANDARDS FOR PREGNANCY HELP ORGANIZATIONS

There are different kinds of gifts, and that's what God chooses them. There are different kinds of people, and that's what God chooses them. Just as a body is made up of many parts, and all its parts work together to keep the body healthy, so it is with God's people.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6, 18

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THE HEART MAGAZINE

- Every woman has a story
- Some are carrying grief
- Some are battling fear
- Some feel alone
- Others simply need someone to remind them that God hasn't forgotten them

What if one magazine could become part of God's encouragement in someone's life?

That's the vision behind *The Heart*.

Each quarterly issue of *The Heart* magazine is lovingly created to strengthen women's hearts through truth from God's Word,

<https://bit.ly/TheHeartMagazineVideo>

LIFELINE ADOPTION

- Confidential, no pressure services, to help you decide if adoption is right for you and your baby
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