



# Knights of Columbus

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**LOS ANGELES MARCH FOR LIFE HOSTS FIVE NATIONAL PRO-LIFE  
LEADERS AT THIS YEAR'S EVENT**

*Pro-Life leaders from New York, Minnesota and California will be attending the 5<sup>th</sup>  
Annual LA March for Life along with hundreds of walkers.*

VAN NUYS, CA, February 25, 2008 – The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Los Angeles March for Life will be held on Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 am – 11:30 am at St. Cyril of Jerusalem Church located at 15520 Ventura Blvd, Encino, CA. Participants will walk two miles on Ventura Boulevard in an effort to raise awareness of the plight of unborn children and the sanctity of life. The Los Angeles March for Life is sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Van Nuys Council 3148, which was awarded 2007 State of California Council of the Year.

This year's March will include speeches from five national Pro-Life leaders: Father Peter West of Priests for Life (New York), Janet Morana, Co-Founder and Director of Silent No More (New York), Jo Tolck, Executive Director of Human Life Alliance (Minnesota), Patti Flores, Los Angeles Coordinator of 40 Days for Life, and Kortney Blythe, Director of Survivors (California).

Father West has given over 600 pro-life homilies from coast-to-coast and along with Patti Flores, will lead a '40 Days for Life' Prayer Vigil on March 11 at Family Planning Associates, 10200 Sepulveda Blvd, Mission Hills starting at 8:00 AM.

Priests for Life is an association of Catholic Clergy who give special emphasis to the pro-life teachings of the Church. Silent No More is a national organization of women who have had abortions and who are now pro-life advocates. The Human Life Alliance is an international pro-life agency with a strong history of advocacy on the part of women and their unborn children. Survivors is a national pro-life organization whose members were born after the Roe v. Wade decision in 1973. These brave young people counsel students and handout pro-life materials at high schools and college campuses nationwide.

All proceeds from the 5th Annual Los Angeles March for Life are donated to organizations that support women in crisis pregnancies, specifically the Pregnancy Counseling Center in Mission Hills, California. For more information about the Los Angeles March for Life, please visit: <http://www.lamarchforlife.org>

***About Van Nuys Council 3148***

Established in 1949 to serve the San Fernando Valley, the Knights of Columbus Van Nuys Council has been and continues to be a pillar of the community. Our core values of Charity, Fraternity, Unity and Patriotism are exemplified by the thousands of hours and countless dollars spent to better the community we serve in Jesus' Holy name.

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***About the Knights of Columbus***

Established in 1882 by Parish Priest Fr. Michael J. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus has grown to more than 12,000 councils and 1.7 million members and is the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization.

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