

Dear Parish Pro-Life Rep,

40 Days for Life is back for Autumn.

I am delighted to say that 40 Days for Life are running an Autumn campaign in Edinburgh from 23 September to 1st November. It's going to be a full 8am to 8pm campaign and will be at the Chalmers abortion clinic, Chalmers Street, Edinburgh. This building did 1,552 abortions in 2018 so our prayers are massively needed. I've included a poster and you could use this in your parish newsletter

PRAYING FOR LIFE: you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Chalmers Sexual Health Centre, Chalmers Street, Edinburgh. For more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact edinburgh40days@gmail.com or visit www.40daysforlife.com/edinburgh



The Scottish Conservative Party

You'll have seen that the Scottish Conservative Party have a new leader, Douglas Ross. When asked: ***"Do you think abortion should be legal"*** he answered: ***"Yes, in a safe environment for both the women, and everyone involved"*** You can watch him say it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W0HQmz2IUfc>

UK Aid - Catholics should call for reform

[The Sun](#) is reporting that UK foreign aid is to be scrapped in the November budget. There is a bright side to this: The UK gave over £10 million in one month to fund abortion overseas. Most people don't support this or even think of abortion as genuine 'aid'.

If this debate comes up in your parish you could point out how much "aid" is wasted on abortion. We should oppose scrapping aid altogether and call, instead, for reform. Stopping unpopular 'abortion aid' will save a lot of money and lives. The money could be spent on genuine aid projects.

SPUC have good info: <https://www.spuc.org.uk/News/ID/384467/Good-riddance-to-DFID>

GOOD NEWS THIS MONTH

Firstly thank God for new Pro-Life Leaders who are emerging in our area. Just this month I have been contacted by really good, enthusiastic Leaders who want to start pro-life initiatives. The new 40 Days campaign is a fruit of this so pray that it is successful ☺

Secondly give thanks for all those who want to help women and their unborn children in our Archdiocese. We have 49 people signed up for our meeting on 5th September and some good ideas and suggestions are coming in.