



Archdiocese of Vancouver
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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Like every Father's Day, today is Prolife Sunday – an opportunity to demonstrate our support for the prolife movement. At the end of Mass, there will be a second collection with the proceeds going to the work of prolife groups. Please be generous in your support.

Recently, politicians and the media have challenged not only the right to life but also the right of Canadians to support the right to life. Some political parties have barred candidates who favour the right to life. Within the healthcare professions, there are campaigns to force doctors, nurses and pharmacists to participate in abortion, contraception and euthanasia.

We need to challenge those who would force prolife Canadians into silence. We have the obligation to stand up for justice and truth, even in the face of authorities who would deny us that right.

I urge you all, each in your own way, to stand up for the right to life and for freedom of conscience. Contact elected officials and the media. Make your voice heard within your professions.

To those who work in the prolife movement and in organizations dedicated to protecting conscience rights, let me express my gratitude. Your work is often difficult and tireless. But it is vitally important – and we are most grateful.

With my blessing and the assurance of my prayers for you and your families, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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