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*Healing the Pain of Abortion*  
*One Weekend at a Time*

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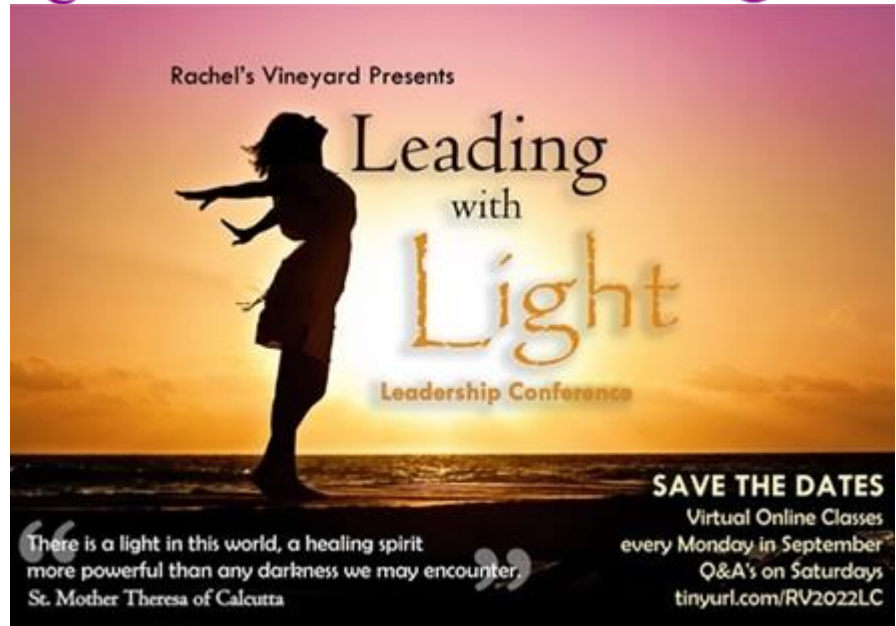
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**JULY 2022**



Welcome Friends,

We are so excited to invite you to our upcoming 2022 Virtual Leadership Training Conference! This year's theme is LEADING WITH LIGHT! Join us in joyful fellowship with laborers from around the world. During this conference you will develop new skills and strategies to strengthen your post-abortion healing ministries. We have an excellent group of speakers to present a wide range of interesting and thought-provoking topics to assist you in becoming an even better leader/team member in Rachel's Vineyard. We look forward to connecting with you all!

To register please click here: <https://rachelsvineyard.org/pdf/2022-Registration-form.pdf>

If you would prefer us to email you an actual registration form or if you have any issues registering using the link, please email Lauren at [2assistant@rachelsvineyard.org](mailto:2assistant@rachelsvineyard.org)

**Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed.  
Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude.**

**~ Denis Waitley**

# With the death of Roe, it's time to heal from abortion

Written by Theresa Burke, Ph.D., and Kevin Burke, LSW



Editor's note: This article is a Pregnancy Help News original. Kevin Burke, LSW, is a pastoral associate of [Priests for Life](#) and co-founder of [Rachel's Vineyard](#). An expert on men and abortion loss, he is the author of *Tears of the Fisherman* and co-author of *Rivers of Blood/Oceans of Mercy*. Theresa Burke, Ph.D., is the founder of Rachel's Vineyard and a pastoral associate of Priests for Life. She is the co-author of *Forbidden Grief* and *Rivers of Blood, Oceans of Mercy*. [Heartbeat International](#) manages the [Abortion Pill Rescue® Network](#) (APRN) and Pregnancy Help News. More abortion recovery resources are available [HERE](#).

For those who have suffered the loss of a child to abortion, this day is one of great joy, but also one of deep grief. The end of Roe will bring a fresh awareness to millions of women and men regarding the [shockwaves](#) which Roe unleashed across our nation in 1973.

The end of Roe, and the public response to this historical event, will lead many to remember their past participation in abortion, and experience feelings and memories suppressed for many years.

As the largest ministry in the world for emotional and spiritual healing after abortion, we have listened to thousands of women and men share their abortion stories.

In so many cases, the social sanctioning of the abortion procedure by the Supreme Court in 1973 as a legal, personal health care choice, was a powerful influence for many women and men in their decision to end the life of their preborn son or daughter.

This only added to the sense of disillusionment and betrayal when they discovered how deeply this procedure damaged them physically, emotionally, and spiritually. But also, how those symptoms of anxiety, depression, and substance abuse impacted the lives of those they loved.

With the death of Roe, we can begin a time of healing for all those who were directly involved in the abortion of a preborn child, or who have experienced [multiple abortions](#).

The work of education and healing will be especially important on the local and state level, as the abortion issue returns to the states, and with the continued rise of [chemical abortion](#), which poses an increased risk for emotional and physical trauma.

We encourage Rachel's Vineyard alumni across our nation to respond to today's news with a renewed commitment to defend the life of children in the womb in your community and share the good news of healing for anyone who has participated in abortion.


Michelle Goldberg [writes](#) in the New York Times that the end of Roe is going to, "Tear America Apart." This excerpt from the Supreme Court draft by Justice Samuel Alito reveals that what is tearing our country apart is not the death of Roe, but the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision itself:

"Roe was egregiously wrong from the start. Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences. And far from bringing about a national settlement of the abortion issue, Roe ... enflamed debate and deepened division."


Abortion intimately wounds women, men, relationships, and families. The failure to acknowledge and heal these wounds has contributed to the poisoning of our national discourse, and the divisions within our great Republic.

Let us begin a time of national healing.

[Rachel's Vineyard](#) welcomes any woman or man who has lost a child, or children to abortion, or who was [associated directly](#) with that decision, and is in need of reconciliation and healing. You will find acceptance, love, and expert assistance to work through your painful feelings and memories, and find emotional and spiritual healing, reconciliation and peace.



**My trust in God flows out of the experience of his loving me, day in and day out,  
whether the day is stormy or fair, whether I'm sick or in good health,  
whether I'm in a state of grace or disgrace.  
He comes to me where I live and loves me as I am.  
~ Brennan Manning**



**It has been great journey from where I have started to where I am today.  
I am really blessed with God's grace.  
~ Dhanush**



## **Note from the Pastoral Director**

Dear Friends,

Roe v. Wade has been overturned!!

This is a cause for great joy and celebration, and we should pause and celebrate. What this means is that now we can protect the unborn! Many people can say that this is the first time in their entire lives that they have lived in a nation where human beings can be protected at all stages of their development.

Put another way, the court is leaving it to the people and their elected lawmakers to decide whether and to what extent they will protect the unborn.

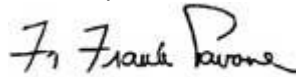
Of course, we will keep working until they are all protected. But until now, the courts have said it was a constitutional right to kill them. That egregious and damaging error had to be corrected first, and now it has been corrected.

What also happens now is that more and more moms, dads, and other family members will be protected from the devastating effects of abortion. That too is great cause for rejoicing. And I'm sure many of those who have come through healing will be consoled in some measure to think that many others will be spared that suffering in the first place.


This moment of victory shows that God is faithful to his promises. Pro-life people, many of whom have passed on to the next life, worked and prayed, marched, voted and sacrificed that this day would come. God has answered all those prayers!

Let's rejoice in this moment, let's learn what the Dobbs Supreme Court decision said in more detail (see [www.SupremeCourtVictory.com](http://www.SupremeCourtVictory.com)), and let's recommit ourselves to ending abortion!

Sincerely,



Fr. Frank Pavone  
Pastoral Director, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries  
National Director, Priests for Life




**What gives me the most hope every day is God's grace;  
knowing that his grace is going to give me the strength for whatever I face,  
knowing that nothing is a surprise to God.**

~ Rick Warren



## United in Prayer

Please lift up in prayer our dear friend Alanet MacKinnon, who is presently struggling with some health issues. Alanet spent several decades on our Rachel's Vineyard team in Kelowna, British Columbia, and we invite everyone to intercede for her.



**Grow in the root of all grace, which is faith.  
Believe God's promises more firmly than ever.  
Allow your faith to increase in its fullness, firmness, and simplicity.**

~Charles Spurgeon



## Connect with us! Rachel's Vineyard is on Social Media!

"I HAD ABORTED 3 BABIES AND IT WAS ABOUT TO DESTROY ME, BUT WITH THE HELP OF THE RETREAT TEAM AND GOD'S GRACE AND MERCY, I WAS ABLE TO TURN THE CURSE INTO A BLESSING, THE BITTERNESS INTO FORGIVENESS, AND THE HATRED INTO COMPASSION."



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Above all the grace and the gifts that Christ gives to his beloved is that of overcoming self.

~ Francis of Assisi

**Upcoming Grief to Grace Retreats  
Healing the Wounds of Abuse**

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God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed,  
courage to change the things which should be changed  
and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.

~ Reinhold Niebuhr

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