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CHRISTOPHER J. CHECK WILL DISCUSS "THE SPANISH ARMADA" ON NOV. 20

Christopher Check is the Vice President of **The Rockford Institute**, a "band of scholars," which promotes and defends the personal virtues and cultural principles without which Christian Civilization cannot thrive. **The Rockford Institute** is the publisher of *Chronicles: A Magazine of American Culture* (www.ChroniclesMagazine.org), through which The Institute works for the restoration of Western Christian civilization.

Chris graduated from Rice University in 1987 with a degree in English Literature. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps, and served for seven years as a field artillery officer in deployments and expeditions in the Far East and the Persian Gulf. He was promoted to Captain in 1992, and resigned his Commission in 1993 to join **The Rockford Institute**. His writings include articles in *Chronicles* and *The Family in America*, as well as *Angelus*, *Catholic Mens Quarterly*, *This Rock*, *Touchstone*, *National Review*, *The Wanderer*, *The American Enterprise*, *Defense Media Review*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *The Chicago Sun-Times*, and *The Washington Times*. He is also the creator of "The Lepanto Lectures," a series of audio lectures on topics in Salvation History, from ancient times to the present. Christopher, his wife, Jacqueline, and their four sons, show and breed Cavalier King Charles Spaniels. Their kennel name is *Top Meadow Cavaliers*, named for G.K. Chesterton's Beaconsfield estate. Come, and bring friend, to hear Christopher Check discuss:

"THE SPANISH ARMADA: THE CATHOLIC VERSION"

WHERE: Sacred Heart Church Hall

917 N. 49th St. (one block north of Wells St.)

WHEN: Sunday, November 20

TIME: 2:00 p.m. - Program 1:45 p.m. - Rosary

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Congratulations to Rev. James Kubicki, S.J., the National Director of the Apostleship of Prayer, who has accepted the Chapter's **Twenty-fourth Annual Msgr. Alphonse S. Popek Award** for the year 2012. This award is given every year to a priest who exhibits the same zeal for the priesthood, leadership of the laity and loyalty to the Magisterium as that shown by Msgr. Popek. The Chapter is very proud to be giving this award to our loyal and faithful Spiritual Advisor, and we thank Fr. Kubicki for honoring the Chapter with his acceptance. We look forward to the award dinner next year, on October 21, 2012. Mark your calendar now!

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT OF THIS CUF CHAPTER

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the entire membership, we sincerely thank you, for both your prayers, and your financial support of this St. Gregory VII Chapter of CUF. Without your faithfulness, we could not maintain the activities and programs we offer to the local community. Adding up the costs of printing, mailing, hall rental, stipends, etc., each Sunday meeting costs the Chapter, on average, about \$500. Needless to say, we are all volunteers, but the costs still add up, and we are grateful for your generosity and your loyalty. May God bless you all.

"POSTSCRIPT" TO THE P. 3 "BREAST CANCER/ABORTION" ARTICLE BY DR. JOEL BRIND

Included with the article regarding the link between abortion and breast cancer (page 3) was an "update" indicating that in 2009, the **National Cancer Institute admitted that abortions do raise breast cancer risks**. The footnote states that: "An April 2009 study by Jessica Dolle, et al, of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center examining the relationship between oral contraceptives (OCs) and triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) in women under age 45 contained an admission from U.S. National Cancer Institute (NCI) researcher Louise Brinton and her colleagues (including Janet Daling) that **abortion raises breast cancer risk by 40%**. Additionally, Dolle's team showed that women who start OCs before age 18 multiply their risk of TNBC by 3.7 times and recent users of OCs within the last one to five years multiply their risk by 4.2 times. TNBC is an aggressive form of breast cancer associated with high mortality. Although the study was published in 2009, the NCI, the American Cancer Society [and] the Susan G. Komen for the Cure...have made no efforts to reduce breast cancer rates by issuing nationwide warnings to women..." (Endeavour Forum Newsletter No. 142, May, 2011, p. 6)

"CATECHETICAL CORNER"

Question: How do we define the Catholic Church?

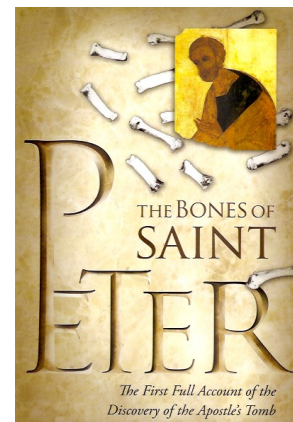
Answer: The Catholic Church is defined as the one, true Church, instituted by Christ, to save souls.

Book of the Month: "The Bones of St. Peter"

Author: John Evangelist Walsh

Publisher: Sophia Institute Press, 2011 (org., 1927)

"In the year A.D. 68, St. Peter was put to death in Rome as an enemy of the state. Roman law forbade him a proper burial and denied his friends even the right to recover his body, so few souls were able to learn his final resting place. For centuries, tradition held that to honor and preserve the mortal remains of this true Prince of the Apostles, St. Peter's Basilica had been built right over St. Peter's grave. Not, however, until 1939, did researchers, scholars and scientists begin sustained, systematic efforts to discover the truth, an archaeological task that spanned 30 years. Carefully studying every known clue while literally unearthing others as they tunneled their way through a tangle of ancient structures beneath the magnificent high altar of St. Peter's, they slowly unraveled the secrets surrounding the burial of St. Peter. *The Bones of St. Peter* is the engrossing true story of how these... researchers finally solved the puzzle... and rescued his bodily remains..."



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The Abortion-Breast Cancer Link: Time to Stop the Denial, by Joel Brind, Ph.D. Endeavour Forum Inc., Newsletter #142, May, 2011, p. 6 Published in Australia; <mailto:babette@endeavourforum.org.au>

Evidence supporting the abortion-breast cancer link (ABC link) dates back to 1957, when a Japanese study showed that abortion almost triples a woman's risk of subsequent breast cancer. By 1996, when I and colleagues at the Penn State College of Medicine published our world-wide review of the medical literature, 23 out of 28 published, peer-reviewed studies showed the link, averaging about a 30% risk increase for women with any abortions. Importantly, the standard for comparison in such studies is the non-pregnant state, it being universally acknowledged that a full-term pregnancy lowers a woman's long-term risk. Hence, a woman already pregnant unarguably increases her long-term risk by choosing to have an abortion, compared to her choosing not to have an abortion.

We know a lot more now about breast biology, and the biology supports the epidemiology completely. The breasts really do not develop much at puberty, but basically just grow. The lactational apparatus - breast lobules - remain in their immature Type 1 and Type 2 states - where almost all cancers arise - until well into the third trimester (32 weeks) of a normal pregnancy. Mature Type 3 and 4 lobules, which can actually produce milk, are permanently resistant to cancer formation. Therefore, childbirth reduces a young woman's long-term risk because there is less time for the immature lobules to collect carcinogenic mutations that could later cause cancer. But abortion - especially of the first pregnancy - leaves a woman with two factors which increase her future cancer risk: 1) The type 1 and 2 lobules still predominate in her breasts, and 2) She has more of them due

to the growth spurt caused by the pregnancy hormones until the time of the abortion. But legal abortion is supposed to be safe, and that is the party line parroted by medical authorities worldwide. Unfortunately, the abortion culture infects the GOP as well as the Democrat Party. That's why a 2002 letter from 28 pro-life con-

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gressmen to Pres. Bush's HHS, asking the National Cancer Institute (NCI) to re-examine its denial of the ABC link, resulted merely in a phony “workshop” in early 2003, the conclusion of which was a reinforcement of the claim that the lack of an ABC link had been “established.” This false claim was further reinforced by a stream of largely fraudulent epidemiological studies in prestigious medical journals which showed no such link. So politically powerful is the NCI that even conservative GOP Governor Pawlenty caved in to pro-abortion pressure based on the NCI's “workshop” from the Minnesota Medical Association later in 2003, and removed a newly mandated ABC link warning from the state's website. Unfortunately, even politically savvy pro-life Republicans tend not to doubt the good intentions of “mainstream” cancer

researchers who work mostly under NCI grants (our tax money). In truth, the NCI is run by a cadre of lifetime-appointed radical feminist ideologues who defend the reputation of legal abortion as “safe” despite all the evidence to the contrary. Their denial is based largely on two false arguments: 1) Induced abortion and spontaneous abortion (miscarriage) are essentially the same, and should have the same effect on future breast cancer risk. In fact, they are very different events, with miscarriages usually missing the hormonally generated growth spurt early in the pregnancy. 2) Studies based on women's recall of medical history are unreliable, because healthy women more often deny past abortions while breast cancer patients more often admit them. This so-called “response bias” hypothesis has been repeatedly disproved in the medical literature (which, ironically, continues to accrue evidence for the ABC link from unlikely nations like China and Iran!).

For details regarding the facts and arguments articulated here, the reader is referred to our institute's website: www.bcpinstitute.org. It is this writer's hope that the congressional changes caused by the recent GOP landslide will soon provide the opportunity to make the case for the ABC link on the record in public hearings.

Dr. Joel Brind is a biochemist who has specialized in reproductive steroid hormones and their links to human diseases since 1972. Since coming across the link between abortion and breast cancer in 1992, Dr. Brind has devoted most of his research effort to studying and promoting awareness of what has come to be known as the “ABC link.”

THE 2011-2012 SCHEDULE of EVENTS:

- November 20 **THE SPANISH ARMADA: THE CATHOLIC VERSION**, by Christopher Check
- December 11 **MSGR. POPEK BIRTHDAY/CHRISTMAS DINNER**
- January 15 **ADDRESSING HISTORICAL ISSUES – THE CRUSADES**, by David Archibald
- February 19 **ENGAGING THE CULTURE**, by Margo Szews
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- May 12 **Michael Voris will speak..... details to be announced**
- September 16 **To Be Announced**
- October 21 **MSGR. POPEK AWARD DINNER.....Recipient: Fr. James Kubicki, S.J.**



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Christopher Check

discuss

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The Catholic Version”**

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