



Catholic Physicians Guild of Dallas

A Chartered Guild of the Catholic Medical Association

June 2013

Upcoming events

- July – no meeting (first Wednesday of the month is the day before July 4th)
- August 7 – [Teen Star](#), a program to teach abstinence to teenagers, Elizabeth Heyne PA-C
- Upcoming meeting schedule can be found [here](#)

Links

[Catholic Physicians Guild of Dallas](#)

[National CMA website](#)

[UTSW St Basil Society](#)

[USCCB website](#)

[National Catholic Bioethics Center](#)

In the News

[Gov. Perry calls Second Session](#)

After unruly mob prevents vote from taking place, Gov. Perry calls for more time for vote to occur.

Happy Fourth of July!!



We are grateful for the freedoms afforded to us in the United States of America and want to recognize the sacrifices of previous generations made to build our great country, especially those in the military who have defended our country. We pray that all may have a joyous Fourth of July and may we reflect on the great society that we live in.

Since our meetings take place the first Wednesday of the month (July 3rd), there will be no meeting in July. We look forward to seeing you next month on August 7th!

Dr. Behan speaks to the Guild



At our last meeting, Dr. Joseph Behan discussed the conversion of his practice to NFP-only. Dr. Behan initially entered his Ob-Gyn residency being not fully aware of many of the serious moral matters which were a part of the profession of Obstetrics and Gynecology (like most of us who attended medical school). Through many of his experiences during residency and in practice, he encountered issues and people that gradually revealed to him the truth behind the Church teachings on topics of abortion, contraception, and reproduction. Eventually he learned the true value and metaphysical meaning behind human sexuality.

Dr. Behan decided to convert his practice to an-NFP only office, which created professional and logistical changes. The process provoked a spiritual deepening as well. After his talk, the guild spent much time during the Q&A portion of the meeting discussing many of the practical changes and medical issues this type of practice requires.

Fortnight for Freedom has begun

[U.S. Supreme Court requests information on Oklahoma law limiting use of abortion drugs](#)

The Supreme Court on Thursday asked for additional information about an Oklahoma law regulating the use of abortion drugs, indicating that they might consider overturning a lower court decision.

[Cardinal Dolan: Latest HHS Rule Being Studied](#)

CMA issues statement on Plan B decision

[God acts in our lives on his timetable, not ours, Pope stresses](#)

Pope Francis taught patience on our part in his daily homily June 28

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The USCCB's 2013 program to promote religious freedom has begun. Catholics are called this year to engage in 2 weeks of prayer, penance, and sacrifice. Catholics are called to "to pray for rebuilding a culture favorable to life and marriage

and for increased protections of religious liberty." As part of the initiative to promote life, marriage and religious liberty, Catholics are invited to do these things:

- Monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour
- Daily rosary by families and individuals
- Special Prayers of the Faithful at Masses
- Fasting and abstinence from meat on Fridays

Read Cardinal Dolan's op-ed on Religious Freedom published in the New York Daily News [here](#).

Registration for CMA National Conference is now open!



Every year, the Catholic Medical Association holds a national conference filled with great educational opportunities for the Catholic physician. This year, the conference will be held from October 24-26 in Santa Barbara, California. The conference hotel is the Fess Parker Doubletree Hotel, and is encircled by the Santa Ynez mountains and sits next to the Pacific Ocean. The theme is "Mission, Justice, and Medicine: Integrating Catholic Social Teaching into Health Care." Each year the conference has many great speakers, and this year's schedule can be found [here](#). Each participant will receive 18 hours of CME for the conference.

If Catholics and people of other religions remain steadfast in their faith and lead lives filled with love of God and others, our society will not become publicly godless. Our Catholic faith and our American freedom will be at home with each other. I have confidence, born of faith, that this will eventually be the case. May we pray and work to protect religious liberty in our country – Francis Cardinal George, Archdiocese of Chicago

