



# St Rita Dallas Physicians Guild

A Chartered Guild of the Catholic Medical Association

October 2012

## Upcoming events

- White Mass on Oct 18 – [first Wednesday meetings to restart next month](#)
- Upcoming meeting schedule can be found [here](#)

## Links

[St Rita Dallas CMA Guild](#)  
[National CMA website](#)  
[UTSW St Basil Society](#)  
[USCCB website](#)  
[National Catholic Bioethics Center](#)

## Announcements

### [Biography and Meditations of St Luke](#)

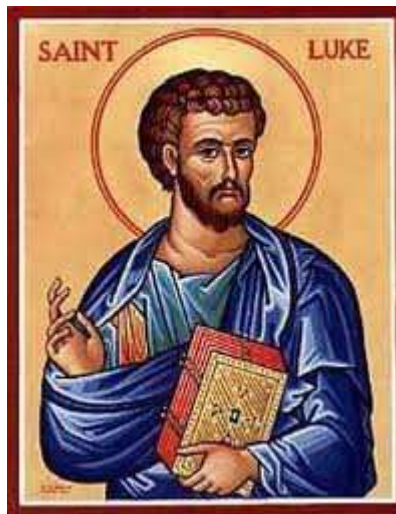
*More information about St Luke the physician, including prayers and meditations*

### [October is Respect Life Month](#)

*The USCCB releases 2012 Respect Life statement written by Cardinal DiNardo, Chairman of USCCB Pro Life Committee*

[40 Days for Life has](#)

## Reminder to RSVP for annual White Mass on October 18<sup>th</sup>!!



Remember to RSVP for the annual White Mass on October 18<sup>th</sup>! Mass will begin at 6:30 PM and Auxiliary Bishop Mark Seitz will preside. Come meet other healthcare professionals who share the same faith and motivation in their vocation to serve others in the spirit of Christ. Interface with those who fight for a culture of life at the CPLC. Talk to the medical students at the St. Basil Society who witness to their faith at the campus of UT Southwestern. Meet people from the White Rose Women's Center that help those in crisis pregnancies. Interested in medical missions? Representatives of the Honduran Medical Mission will be present!

We praise God that we can all meet and fellowship with one another. We are also honored that Auxiliary Bishop Seitz, who has a great interest in healthcare and has received secondary certification at the National Catholic Bioethics Center, will be able to address us.

There will also be an opportunity to renew annual memberships as well. Remember, annual members will be able to avail of free CMEs (including ethics) at our monthly lectures!

RSVP [here](#) to attend – seating is limited

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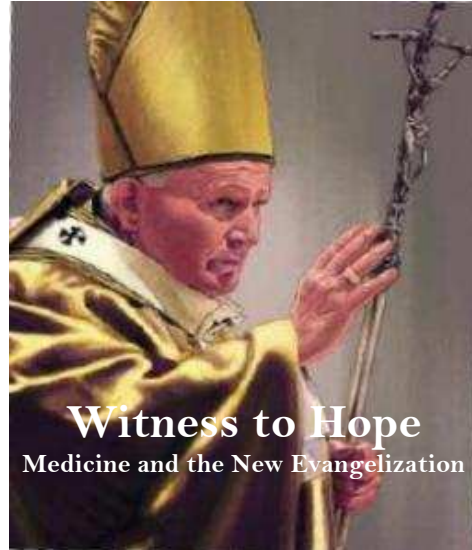
## Catholic Medical Association holds its annual educational conference

[started](#)

Click the link above for more information

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Conscience rights' protection and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services contraception mandate were the topics foremost on the minds of medical professionals gathered in St. Paul, Minn., for the Catholic Medical Association's 81st educational conference.

The Sept. 26-29 conference, which drew more than 600 attendees, featured prominent speakers who shared the history of the present cultural battle and how to bear witness to the truth and bring it to bear on the practice of medicine.

Papal biographer George Weigel spoke on the crisis of modernity, author Brian Gail spoke on the life sciences' challenges, [First Things](#) editor Russell Reno spoke about bringing faith into the public square, and Jesuit Father Robert Spitzer, president of the [Napa Institute](#) and ex-president of Gonzaga University, presented ways to use the new media for evangelization.

"The Catholic Church stands in the way of the sexual revolution — efforts to redefine marriage, access to abortion and reproductive technology and mercy killings," said Reno. "Our increasingly aggressive adversaries will continue to use their political muscle to push us out of the way."

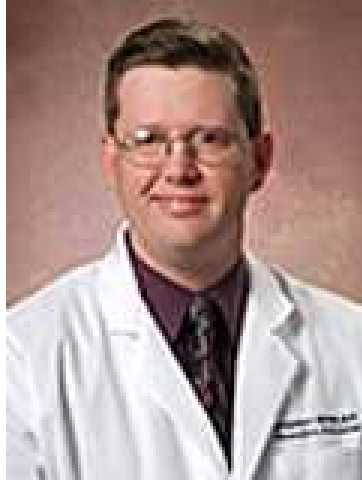
"These are critical times," said Bishop Robert Vasa of Santa Rosa, Calif. "Whether or not a physician is practicing in line with the teachings of the Church, they're going to be forced to do something they may not want to do."

"This is a clarion call for America," added Bishop Vasa. "American Catholics, and in particular American Catholic physicians, have to wake up to the fact that they can no longer presume that their individual choices about how they practice medicine in this country will be respected."

Read the complete article from the National Catholic Register [here](#)

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**Lecture by Dr Joseph Behan  
at St. Joseph Church on Oct 30**



Dr. Joseph Behan, prominent NFP-practicing Ob Gyn, will be lecturing on The Truth about Contraception and Women's Health Care. He will be discussing the scientific merits and potential dangers of contraception, the meaning of true reproductive health, and the Church teaching on the gift of fertility. The event will be sponsored jointly with the Catholic Pro Life Committee of Dallas and the Catholic Medical

Association. The event will take place on October 30<sup>th</sup> and St. Joseph's Catholic Church in the St Joseph Room. Call Patty Sherrod at 972-235-5554 or email [psherrod@prolifedallas.org](mailto:psherrod@prolifedallas.org).

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## Post-Abortion Pastoral and Professional Conference

This regional conference (November 9-10, University of Dallas Lynch Auditorium) will provide training in post-abortion healing to clergy and health professionals from all over Texas. The first day (from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.) is reserved for clergy, and the second day (from 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.) is for health professionals as well as other interested lay people. Internationally renowned expert Vincent Rue, PhD, Director of the Institute for Pregnancy Loss will keynote the conference. Attendance is free for clergy, \$75 for mental health professionals with CEUs available, and \$25 for all other persons. For more information and to register, visit [prolifedallas.org/conference](http://prolifedallas.org/conference) or contact Eileen Kuhlmann at 972-679-4760 or [ekuhlmann@prolifedallas.org](mailto:ekuhlmann@prolifedallas.org).

### **PRAYER TO SAINT LUKE**

***Most charming and saintly Physician, you were animated by the heavenly Spirit of love. In faithfully detailing the humanity of Jesus, you also showed his divinity and his genuine compassion for all human beings. Inspire our physicians with your professionalism and with the divine compassion for their patients. Enable them to cure the ills of both body and spirit that afflict so many in our day. Amen.***