

IT'S A **DISGRACE** TO HONOR  
**JOE BIDEN**  
WITH THE LAETARE MEDAL

**AN APPEAL TO FATHER JOHN JENKINS  
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME COMMUNITY**

**Joe Biden Supports the Unjust Law of Abortion, the  
Re-definition of Marriage and Advocates Restrictions on  
Religious Liberty through the HHS Mandate**

***Abortion Is a Real Injustice with Real Victims***

When Biden supports, advocates and facilitates legalized abortion he causes human beings to be put to death. These human beings, innocent unborn children, are not a philosophy or an idea. They are, in fact persons whose lives are destroyed with the sanction of law. We need to get in touch with this truth. For many, the victims of abortion are not real, they remain remote and unseen. One such victim of abortion is Jacob. In 2008, his broken body was found with 33 other dismembered unborn children in trash dumpsters behind abortion clinics in the Detroit Metro area.



**Baby Jacob**

When the Laetare Medal is conferred on a politician such as Biden, Notre Dame says to the world that the atrocity committed against Jacob, and 60 million other abortion victims is of no consequence. Notre Dame says their lives do not matter.

***Notre Dame Has a Duty to Promote Justice and Defend Civil Rights***

The Laetare Medal would never be awarded to someone who supported a law that denied persons access to jobs, housing, education or health care. Biden's support for legalized abortion is a far greater injustice. Biden also supports the Supreme Court's re-definition of marriage and the Health and Human Services Mandate that causes religious persecution—all in contradiction to the teachings of Christ and his Church.

***To Honor Biden is Shameful***

To give Biden the Laetare Medal means that this university and Fr. John Jenkins prefer to stand with the world, rather than stand with those who are oppressed. We call on Fr. Jenkins to rescind this decision. We pray that Notre Dame will become that solely needed witness to justice and in keeping with the authentic mission of a Catholic University.

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