

Urgent Project to
STOP Abortion Referrals by SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital
May/June 2021

Dear Pastor ...

As you may know already, direct referrals of pregnant women with developmentally disabled unborn children to the Hope abortion center in Granite City, IL to kill their babies, are reportedly being made by SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital!

Pro-life volunteers have experienced and documented recent instances of this activity. SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, a Catholic institution, is supported by Catholics of the St. Louis Archdiocese!

- SSM executives have refused to meaningfully engage in discussions and show no indication of changing their practices.
- **And surprisingly, the Archdiocese of St. Louis has refused to take action consistent with Church standards for addressing and investigating child abuse allegations that are at least credible.**

Detailed information, including evidence obtained to date, is available at the following link:
<https://credostlouis.org/stop-glennon-sunday-collection-for-cardinal-glennon-childrens-hospital-2/>
Note: this is the same evidence that moved St. Louis **Pastors** to the actions described below.

*A St. Louis parishioner recently brought to his Pastor's attention these abortion referral allegations. He agreed to review the extensive report linked above. One day later the **Pastor** - so appalled and convicted by the evidence - immediately contacted other **Pastors** and shared that same file. Replies from the other **Pastors** called the evidence everything from "plausible (credible)" to "definite".*

The first Pastor identified this as child abuse of the highest order, noting that the same standard of response applied by the church to credible reports of child abuse should be applied here. This would result in the accused (in this case the SSM Maternal and Fetal Care Department, at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, being shuttered while an independent and comprehensive investigation is initiated and conducted.

The Pastor also contacted SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and advised them his parish would not participate in the "Glennon Sunday" collection unless and until these steps are taken and the scandal resolved.

What We Ask for the Good of the Children and for All

- Familiarize yourself with the allegations and the evidence.
- Discuss with your parish pro-life representatives (or others) possible actions for the parish to take.
- Determine action(s) that will be most effective and viable, and commit to following through.
- **Please consider all options for making our Catholic voices heard at the Holy Masses, on the weekend of June 6th, including following the Pastor's example mentioned above.**

*Sincerely and on behalf of the unborn,
Your Flock*