Bulletin/Pulpit Announcements re: Proposed Expansion of Euthanasia  
(February 2020)

On Monday, February 24, 2020, the federal government introduced Bill C-7, an Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Medical Assistance in Dying). The bulletin/pulpit announcements below may be utilized to help raise awareness within your parish community.

**Nurture Life, Oppose Death on Demand!**  
**Contact Your Member of Parliament Today!**

The federal government has tabled legislation to expand what they refer to as medical assistance in dying but is more accurately called euthanasia/assisted suicide. More than 13,000 Canadians have been euthanized since 2016. New legislation would make assisted death available to those without life-threatening illnesses including those with disabilities and those no longer capable of making decisions for themselves. Some Canadians may even be euthanized on the same day they make the request. Visit [www.helptheliving.ca](http://www.helptheliving.ca) to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament expressing deep concern. The process takes less than 5 minutes. More information can also be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia](http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia). We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

**Contact Your Member of Parliament!**  
**New Euthanasia Legislation Introduced in Canada**

Legislation that would expand access to euthanasia in our country has been introduced by the federal government. Among the alarming changes are amendments to expand euthanasia to those without a terminal illness, including those with disabilities. Only 30 per cent of Canadians have access to quality palliative care which would significantly reduce the number of people wanting to end their lives. Every life has value - visit [www.helptheliving.ca](http://www.helptheliving.ca) to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament. The process takes less than 5 minutes. More information can also be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia](http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia). We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

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**It’s Time To Act – Contact your MP Today!**

Legislation to expand euthanasia in our country has been introduced. If passed, those eligible for euthanasia would include those without a terminal illness, including Canadians with disabilities. Doctors may also be forced to “sign off” on euthanasia for the patients they have been treating for years. Dementia patients who signed a “directive” 10 years ago may now have someone else determine when they will die. Every life has value - visit [www.helptheliving.ca](http://www.helptheliving.ca) to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament. The process takes less than 5 minutes. More information can also be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia](http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia). We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.