

WXTP Quarterly Issues Programs Report January-March 2014

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Children and Family
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Program: Catholic Answers Live

Issue: Children and Family

Guest: Doctor Greg Popczak, Executive Director of the Pastoral Solutions Institute and his wife, Lisa Popczak

Host: Patrick Coffin

Length: 1 hour

The Popczaks discuss their new book, *Just Married: The Catholic Guide to Surviving and Thriving in the First Five Years of Marriage*. When a spouse is unwilling to seek professional counseling, the Popczaks advise the one spouse who wants help to get individual counseling. Exploration of how to create a strong bond in the first five years of marriage.

Times broadcast: 1/8/14: 7PM 1/9/14: 7AM

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Program: Presence Spotlight

Issue: Poverty, Community Involvement

Guest: Claudette Therriault, volunteer and public relations director for the group Loaves and Fishes, Sabattus, Maine

Length: 1 minute 30 seconds

Discussion of the no-interest loan program Loaves and Fishes operates and the fact that in the current economy, some people cannot repay the loan and therefore it becomes a grant. Also discussion of Claudette Therriault's own situation in which she needed a Loaves and Fishes loan to cope with a family emergency.

Times broadcast: 1/11/14: 601AM, 6PM, 1057PM 1/12/14: 6AM, 557PM.

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Program: Presence Community Minute
Issue: Children and Family
Guest: Vanessa Rehmeyer of Saint Paul the Apostle Parish in Bangor
Length: 60 seconds

Description of The Way We Grow, a program for families with young children, providing mutual support and information. Also Meals for Mamas, a volunteer effort through which meals are brought to families in which a baby has just been born, relieving the parents of having to provide meals for the first 10 days after the infant comes home.

Times Broadcast: 1/11/14: 601AM, 1057AM 1/12/14: 1025AM, 7PM 1/13/14: 528AM, 428PM.

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Program: Catholic Charities Minute
Issue: Children and Family
Guest: Erin Taylor, caseworker, Catholic Charities Maine
Length: 1 ½ minutes

An examination of stress in children: Taylor says parents forget or neglect to monitor their children's stress levels. She says the best predictor of how a child will handle stressful situations is what they have seen their parents do. Simply taking time to play with a child can help minimize stress.

Times broadcast:

1/2/14: 518PM 1/8/14: 727AM 1/14/14: 518PM 1/20/14: 727AM 1/24/14: 726AM 1/30/14: 518PM
2/5/14: 727AM 2/6/14: 518PM 2/11/14: 518PM 2/17/14: 727AM 2/21/14: 727AM 2/27/14: 518PM

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Program: Catholic Charities Minute
Issue: Children and Family
Guest: Denise Deschaine, licensed social worker, Catholic Charities Maine
Length: 1 ½ and a half minutes

Social development of youngsters is explored, and Deschaine says it is tied to their sense of self. The process involves developing a spirit of give and take, handling the expectations and emotions of others. Catholic Charities offers help to families experiencing social or behavioral difficulties.

Times broadcast:

1/6/14: 727AM 1/10/14: 727AM 1/16/14: 518PM 1/22/14: 727AM 1/28/14: 518PM 2/3/14: 727AM
2/7/14: 727AM 2/13/14: 518PM 2/19/14: 727AM 2/25/14: 518PM 3/3/14: 727AM

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Program: Catholic Charities Minute

Issue: Children and Family

Guest: Brian Pyzinski, caseworker, Catholic Charities Maine

Length: 1 ½ minutes

Pyzinski offers advice to parents about bullying, encouraging parents to let bullied children know it is normal to feel sad, hurt and confused when subject to bullying. He says children should be asked if anyone else, such as a teacher, has been told. The school and parents should be allies in stopping the bullying behavior.

Times broadcast: 1/1/14: 727AM 1/7/14 :518PM 1/13/14: 727AM 1/17/14: 727AM 1/23/14: 518PM
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2/26/14: 727AM

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Program: Catholic Charities Minute

Issue: Children and Family

Guest: Ricia Sawtelle-Carrow, case manager, Catholic Charities Maine

Length: 1 ½ minutes

Exposition of typical manifestations of behavior difficulties among children, often depression and anxiety. Sawtelle-Carrow encourages parents to consult with teachers and the child's pediatrician. Case management as offered by Catholic Charities is presented as an available resource to address behavior issues.

Times broadcast: 1/3/14:727AM 1/9/14:518PM 1/15/14:727AM 1/21/14:5:18PM 1/27/14:727AM
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Program: Presence Radio Spotlight

Issue: The Elderly

Guest: Calvin Hooker of Harpswell, Maine

Length: 1 minute 45 seconds

Calvin Hooker discusses his pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in Spain, a six week walk of more than 450 miles, which he accomplished in his 80s. Hooker speaks about his experiences on the pilgrimage and how the journey changed him and enriched his life.

Times broadcast: 1/10/14: 1055PM, 1/11/14: 156PM 1/12/14 3PM, 10PM.

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Program: Kresta in the Afternoon

Issues: Children and Family

Guest: Jill Rigby, author of Raising Respectful Children, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Length: 8 minutes

Host Al Kresta discusses with Jill Rigby, the case of a New Jersey teenager who left home and then sued her parents to force them to pay her private school tuition. The judge called her spoiled and refused to order payment. Examination of age-appropriate ways to instill respect, and the nature of the home environment that fosters mutual respect between parents and children.

Time broadcast 3/13/14: 520PM

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Program: Kresta in the Afternoon

Issues: Health Care, Children and Family

Guest: Doctor Joel Brind, Penn State University

Length: 12 minutes

Doctor Brind discusses with host Al Kresta a metastudy by Doctor Yubei Huang reviewing 36 Chinese studies that reportedly showed a 44% increased breast cancer risk among women who had at least one abortion. This is viewed as supporting Doctor Brind's 1996 review which found a 30% greater risk for women with any history of abortion. Dr. Brind elaborates on his efforts to convince the medical community to recognize the purported link between breast cancer and abortion.

Time broadcast: 1/13/14 508-520 PM

Length: 12 minutes

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Program: Kresta in the Afternoon

Issues: Health Care, Children and Family

Guest: Lori Gustafson, mother of Kelleigh Marie Gustafson of Manlius, New York

Length: 8 minutes

Kelleigh Marie Gustafson was diagnosed with a rare, inoperable and life threatening birth defect known as arteriovenous malformations. This led to years of chemotherapy, surgeries, and trials for her family.

Her mother, Lori Gustafson, discusses with host Al Kresta how Kelleigh has persevered and founded a charity that raises money for others who suffer from this, and supports a program for them at a Wisconsin hospital.

Time broadcast 3/13/14: 542PM

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Program: Stories of Faith

Issue: Children and Family, Education

Guest: Furman Campbell, Youth Educator in Good Shepherd Parish, Biddeford, Maine

Length: 2 minutes

Educator Furman Campbell speaks about the value of information from the program feature Catholic Answers Live in terms of informing him about content and enabling him to engage more positively with young people in the program because he is able to present information with greater confidence.

Times broadcast:

3/19/14: 845AM, 1155AM, 126PM, 511PM 3/20/14: 835AM, 1116AM, 330PM 3/21/14: 835AM, 1102AM, 212PM, 459PM.

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Program: Catholic Connection

Issue: Health Care, Children and Family

Guest: Karen Malec, President of the Coalition on Abortion/Breast Cancer

Length: 26 minutes

Host Teresa Tomeo interviews Doctor Malec about lawsuits against the contraceptive mandate in the Affordable Health Care Act, which she says forces employers to provide contraception and abortion in violation of their deeply held religious beliefs. Dr. Malec says the U.S. Supreme Court will be told about the World Health Organization designation of the birth control pill as a carcinogen.

Time broadcast: 3/31/13 910AM

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The Presence Radio also airs public service announcements from community groups every day.