



# **BROKEN PROMISES COST LIVES.**

**THE GOVERNMENT SAYS IT WILL  
LEGISLATE FOR ABORTION.**

**WILL YOU SPEAK UP FOR LIFE  
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE?**

# Never a Need for Abortion

The majority of Irish people are against abortion. That's long been a problem for the abortion industry.

**So now abortion campaigners want to use fear to attack our pro-life laws. They falsely claim that abortion is needed to save women's lives. But that's simply NOT true.**

## Here are the facts:

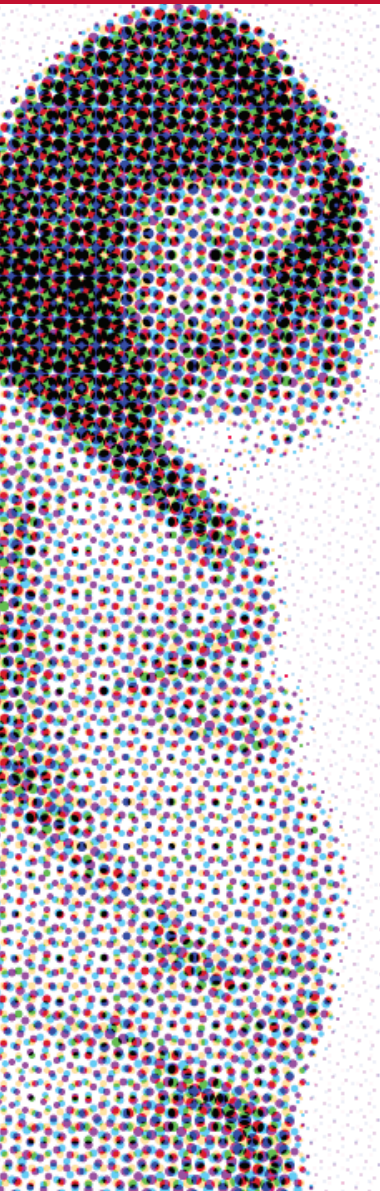
► It's a fact that abortion is never necessary to save the life of a mother - and leading Irish medical experts have already publicly confirmed this fact:

As Professor John Bonnar, the Chairman of the Institute of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, told a Dáil Committee; **"It would never cross an obstetrician's mind that intervening in a case of pre-eclampsia, cancer of the cervix or ectopic pregnancy is abortion. They are not abortion as far as the professional is concerned, these are medical treatments that are essential to save the life of the mother."**

► Ireland, without abortion, is one of the safest places in the world for a mother to have a baby, according to the United Nations.

► If a mother develops a life-threatening condition in pregnancy, such as cancer or an ectopic pregnancy, they will always be treated, even if that treatment causes the unintentional death of the baby. That's the situation in Ireland where abortion remains illegal.

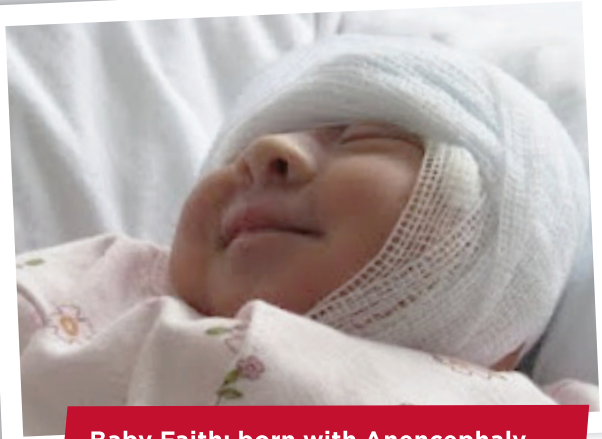
**We should protect our pro-life laws - because they protect both mother and baby.**



# Why Terminally Ill Children Have a Right to Life

**Sadly, some parents are told that their baby may not live for long after birth, or might not make it to birth at all. But those children, until such time as nature takes its course, are alive and kicking, and have the same right to life as every other child.**

Recently huge media attention has been given to legalising abortion in Ireland for babies diagnosed with life limiting conditions.



**Baby Faith: born with Anencephaly and lived for 93 days**

## What you should know:

- ▶ Research shows that **90% of Irish parents** DO NOT abort their baby following a diagnosis that their baby may not live for long. Those parents have then been able to spend precious time with their children - both while the baby was in the womb and then for hours, days and sometimes weeks and months after birth.
- ▶ On some occasions, babies who were not expected to live at all **defied the odds** and continue to amaze their families and doctors.
- ▶ Children with life-limiting disorders such as Anencephaly or Edwards Syndrome, have a right to their life, however short it may be, and however severe their disability.
- ▶ In stark contrast to the Irish experience, **in countries where abortion is legal**, up to 95% of children diagnosed with a life-limiting condition are aborted.
- ▶ Parents in this situation deserve much more than our sympathy - they need us to put professional support systems in place. The Minister for Health must establish perinatal hospice services in Ireland as soon as possible.
- ▶ Irish medical care will ease suffering that parents fear their children might endure after birth.

**Please make your voice heard. See overleaf for more info ▶**

Before Election 2011 Fine Gael promised **they would not allow abortion to be legalised in Ireland**. But, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April, the Fine Gael Minister for Health, James Reilly, claimed that a European Court ruling had placed “obligations” on Ireland. He said the ruling - which called for abortion legislation - needed to be “implemented as expeditiously as possible”.

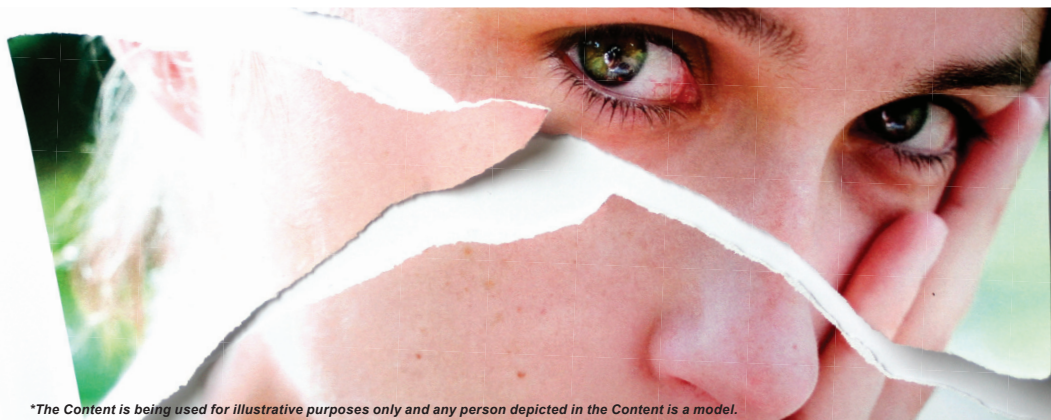
## **Fine Gael must not be allowed to break their pro-life promise.**

They are now trying to offload responsibility for this issue to an “expert group” - which is loaded with abortion campaigners. The fact is, abortion kills children and harms women, and the majority of Irish people don't want it legalised under ANY circumstances.

## **If abortion is legalised, it'll be too late to make your voice heard.**

**Your local Fine Gael representatives need to hear from YOU today.** Call the numbers below and tell them you don't want abortion legalised in Ireland. Thank you.

## **Abortion tears lives apart. There's always a better answer.**



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## **CALL YOUR FG REPRESENTATIVES TODAY:**

After calling your TDs, please let us know so we can maintain an accurate log of calls made.

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