

# Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization

Updates from the Office of MS Attorney General Lynn Fitch

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## As we approach Father's Day

*"I will be a father to him, and he'll be a son to me. When he does wrong, I'll discipline him in the usual ways, the pitfalls and obstacles of this mortal life. But I'll never remove my gracious love from him." 2 Samuel 7:14-15*

As we approach Father's Day this Sunday, let us use this opportunity to show the fathers, grandfathers and father figures in our lives how much we appreciate them for supporting and loving, teaching and defending us. Fathers are an important part of strong, healthy families. When men step up, even in families that are no longer intact, children thrive. And when children and families thrive, so does Mississippi. Happy Father's Day!

-Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch



## WHAT WE'RE READING

### **The Atlantic: [Why My Parents Chose Life](#)**

**By Matthew Walther**

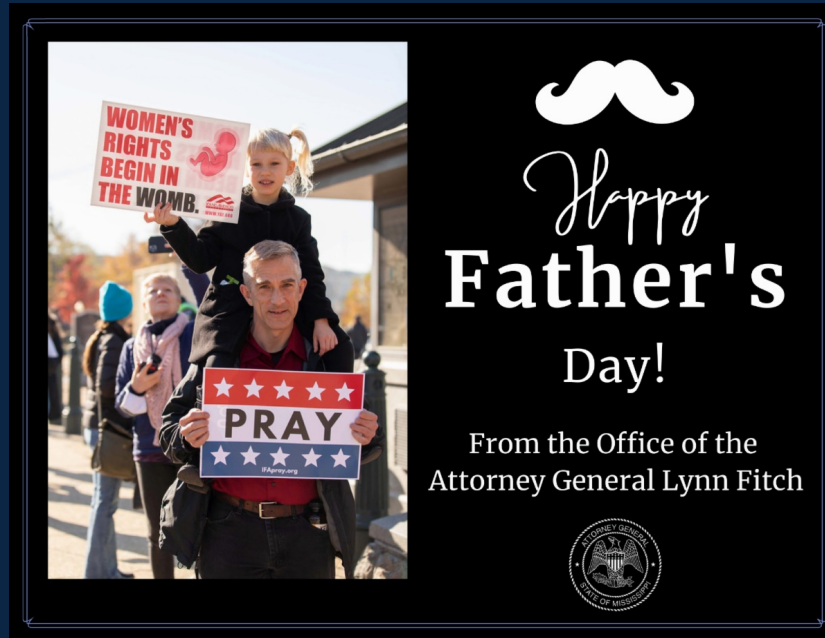
"As the country awaits the Supreme Court's ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, I wanted to reflect upon my experience and that of my parents...I, for one, do not regret the brute fact of my existence. And I have every reason to think that if I had been stillborn, my parents would not have celebrated the chance at 'freedom.' They would, I believe, have mourned just as my wife and I did for Winnie, who at the time of her death could have been legally aborted in all 50 states."

### **Our Sunday Visitor: [As Dobbs decision nears, U.S. bishops urge Church to 'Walk with Moms in Need'](#)**

**By Joseph R. LaPlante**

"Keri Ninness is leading the Walking with Moms in Need initiative at St. Joseph Church in Marietta, Georgia. 'This is a call to arms. ... We have to put our money where our mouth is,' she told Our Sunday Visitor. 'Now what? The baby is saved and born. We must provide services for mom and baby like child care, baby formula, perhaps adoption planning, housing and more. Whatever the need is, we are coming along beside you, and we will help you.' The response of Ninness' parish to the call to participate in the initiative 'is beyond anything I can dream,' she said. 'Families have jumped to help. ... We have a thriving life ministry. These parishioners have prayed for this (overturning Roe) and provided prayer in action. Now, we're taking it to the next step. We understand, when a

woman is facing an unplanned pregnancy, that it is anything but simple, it is anything but easy. It is hard, and it is complex. We want women to feel respected, loved and supported.”



*Photo of dad and child outside the U.S. Supreme Court, taken Dec. 1, 2021 during Dobbs oral argument, by photographer Roberta Frazzao*



## ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH IN THE NEWS

### **The Paradise: Groundbreaking pro-life program focuses on meeting tangible needs of women to save lives**

"Already, Her PLAN is making a difference across the country. Her PLAN partnered with **Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch** to host a virtual baby shower in support of 21 pregnancy help centers. The pregnancy centers' Amazon wish lists were shared on the Her PLAN website, so supporters could purchase and send gifts. One wish list was completely filled, while others received a TV for parenting course sessions, car seats, pack and plays, and diapers."

### **ChurchLeaders: ERLC Panel: Church Can Serve Women With or Without Roe** **By Tom Strode**

"**Lynn Fitch** – the Mississippi attorney general whose office defended the state law before the Supreme Court – said in a pre-recorded video, 'Whether *Roe v. Wade* is sustained or reversed, these women and their children remain our charge. Behind each crisis pregnancy is a woman in need of our protection and our support.'"

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