# Killer Ella, "The Chemical Execution of a Child."

**A good day to you and to each of my esteemed listeners! Welcome to EWTN's Open Line Tuesday edition! Barbara McGuigan here, deliriously happy and relieved that my husband Bob's open heart surgery was successful last Friday. I'm filled with thanks, appreciation and gratitude for your special prayers that guided his surgeon's skillful hands and helped my family meet this challenge with the power of God's grace! I just can't thank you enough! Bob is coming home this afternoon, so if you have any advice for me about how to help him recover, please talk to me today! Here are the numbers to call:**

**In North America call 1-800-585-9396**

**Outside North America call 1-205-271-2985**

**Our email address is always: Openline@ewtn.com**

**During the times my recuperating husband's been asleep, I've had time to read up and get ready for today's show. You know, I realize how difficult it is for some folks to accept Mother Church's 2,000 years of teachings against contraception. And I'm also aware that some people know aborting babies is abhorrent but still imagine contraception could be the answer to reducing abortion.**

**On the first bounce, that might *sound* reasonable – although, as I'll explain, it's *not* reasonable at all, and for several important reasons. So I want to tell you the truth about the latest deadly drug that the Food and Drug Administration approved on August 13.**

**As you and I already know, the culture of death has no qualms about killing babies in any stage of their lives. Well, now we have a new "Killer Named Ella." Jennifer Hartline, a grateful Catholic, proud Army wife and mother of four, is also a contributing writer for Catholic Online. In her excellent expose on August 17, entitled "A Killer Named Ella: FDA Approves New Embryocidal Drug," she wrote:**

> **Last Friday the FDA approved *ulipristal acetate* – known by the more "charming" name, *ella* – for use as an emergency contraceptive. The pro-abortion communities cheered the decision as a victory for women's "health." But the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists calls ella an embryocidal drug. It acts as a progesterone receptor blocker, meaning it can prevent a newly conceived human being from implanting in the uterine lining. It's murder at the micro-level, hidden from view and carried out in private. No evidence of the crime…**

**Brothers and sisters, as Mrs. Hartline points out, "Ella is chemically very similar to the abortion drug, RU-486 (mifepristone)." These evil drugs deny life-sustaining progesterone to the newly conceived baby.**

**Jennifer Hartline continues:**

> **The misleading labeling of ella as an emergency contraceptive will likely have some very disturbing ripple effects. The pro-aborts and their allies in Congress will certainly demand that ella be included in federally-subsidized health care plans. RU-486 is banned from receiving federal tax subsidies, but by not being classified as an abortifacient, ella would not be. It also raises concerns that doctors and pharmacists will be forced to prescribe and provide ella despite their moral objections.**
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> **There is also the very real danger of ella being used off-label; the potential birth defects to babies whose mothers take ella attempting to induce abortion; the criminal use of ella by men to unsuspecting women; the potential danger to breastfed babies whose mothers take ella while nursing.**
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> **But perhaps ella's most dangerous side-effect is the psychological one. It's what ella – and Plan B and RU-486 – does to our perception of abortion and human life that is the most deadly… Before long abortion at home becomes commonplace. Just pop a pill and eliminate your baby, not unlike getting rid of a headache.**

**And brothers and sisters, how many people will pretend to themselves that a newly conceived baby killed by ella isn't really a baby yet, and that this murder is a "good thing" in this sin-sick world? Remember, the devil has a global scheme. He thrives on wiping out the image and likeness of God. But he can't sell sin as sin. He must make it look like a responsible, good and reasonable choice.**

**Jennifer Hartline goes on to write:**

> **If we embrace drugs like ella, Plan B and RU-486 into our culture en masse, the only possible fruits will be the extermination of countless numbers of children and the further perversion of our view of human life. How easy it will be to live for physical pleasure and simply swallow a pill to get rid of an "unwanted." How sick and evil our thinking will become when we come to accept the "rightness" of chemically executing our children with hardly a second thought.**
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> **This will be an insidiously deadly strike at the heart of motherhood and femininity. Now the next step is taken - mother not only makes the choice to kill her child, she carries out the murder by her own hand. Or else, she unwittingly ends the new life within her, believing she is only preventing ovulation. Either way, the prince of darkness and lies has further cemented**

**enmity between mother and child and planted a crop of death for humanity to harvest.**

**And what a bitter harvest of violence and hatred it will be.**

**It may be tempting to believe an abortion that occurs 5 days after conception is better than one that occurs at 15 weeks of gestation. It may seem more palatable, even more humane, since there is no bloody body to see and grieve for. Without a heartbeat, or tiny fingers or a little face to behold, are we still convinced that the miracle of a new person brought into being is a miracle? Are we still convicted that this new life is distinct and unique, an unrepeatable person made in the image and likeness of God, whom we are obligated to protect? If the answer is yes -- and it better be -- then there can be only one response to ella and all drugs like it: it is the chemical execution of a child.**

**My brothers and sisters, I don't have to tell you that ignorance is not bliss. If you haven't already, you will be seeing slick commercials promoting ella as God's gift to women. You will know that God had no part of it. You will know that God weeps along with countless mothers and fathers who sell out to ella.**

**I look forward to talking with you today! It's good to be back...Here are the numbers: 1-800-585-9396 and 1-205-271-2985.**

**Closing: A thousand thanks for your calls and emails! Thanks, too, for your kind thoughts and prayers for my husband Bob. We appreciate them so very much!**

**Brothers and sisters, sadly, there are many Catholics who believe what they want to believe and reject the rest. And to be honest, how many of us once possessed the same mindset! How many of us once said, "I will follow my own conscience on this one!" What we actually were saying was, "I will decide if this action is good or bad, for me, but I won't let the Catholic Church, which Jesus Christ founded, guide me and protect me. I won't ask how God would judge this action, and I won't listen to His voice in my heart, either."**

**So if a Catholic decides to do something that Mother Church teaches to be against God's law of love, which is what all sin is, this Catholic can be very sure that his conscience is not listening to the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit – "the Soul of his soul," but to another voice, an evil one, that is desperately trying to trip him up.**

**Until next week on Open Line, Blessed be God and may He mightily bless you! Bye for now!**