"Words Make Noise, But Actions Thunder:" Get Out and Vote!

A good day to you, especially today, Election Day! Welcome to EWTN's Open Line Tuesday edition! Barbara McGuigan here, alive and grateful and ready to carry out my civic duty just minutes after our show ends today. Brothers and sisters, let us remember who we are! 1Peter 2:9: "But you are 'a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of His own, so that you may announce the praises of Him Who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.'"

God's airwaves are open and 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

Last Friday, my friend, a pro-life giant, J.T. Finn, the publisher of Prolife.com and Lovematters.com, called to see if I would air an interview message that the great pro-life Cardinal-designate Raymond Burke gave Thomas J. McKenna, the President of Catholic Action for Faith and Family, at the Vatican on October 20.

Just hours earlier that same day, Archbishop Burke had learned that Pope Benedict will make him a Cardinal in a consistory in St. Peter's on Saturday, November 20, along with 23 others from around the world.

Archbishop Burke's message is that Catholics must work to promote the Common Good and the Golden Rule by voting for political candidates who most strongly oppose aborting babies, embryonic stem cell experiments, euthanasia and so-called homosexual "marriage."

Archbishop Burke, you know, is one of the world's foremost experts in Canon Law, the Church's legal code. He speaks with great authority because he is the head of the Apostolic Signatura, which is the Vatican's "supreme court."

So of course, Doug Keck, Executive VP and COO of EWTN, put the ball in motion immediately to air the Archbishop's full 25-minute interview on EWTN TV, and Thom Price, my stellar producer and Director of Programming and Production for EWTN Radio, secured an eight-minute clip from that interview to share with you on Open Line Tuesday right now! You've heard the axiom: "Words make noise, but actions thunder?" Doug and Thom are men of action, as real men of God characteristically are.

So, in lieu of my weekly monologue, I present to you with thanks to all involved, another man of God...Cardinal-designate Raymond Burke, with a critical message for a critical day, November 2, 2010, Election Day in the USA...

[After the clip:]

My dear brothers and sisters, please let your friends and relatives know right away that they can go online to see the video of Cardinal-designate Raymond Burke delivering that beautiful message. They can see the video online at CatholicAction.org – that's CatholicAction.org

And just so you know, a thousand American rabbis led by the great pro-life Rabbi Yehuda Levin of Brooklyn, yesterday echoed Cardinal-designate Burke in "absolutely prohibiting voting for anti-life, anti-family candidates." Let's talk about it! Here are the numbers to call: 1-800-585-9396 and 1-205-271-2985.

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Closing: A thousand thanks for your excellent calls and insightful emails! You remain priceless to God and to EWTN! And to me!!

So what do we do tomorrow, November 3rd? Tim Hirota wisely gives us excellent and timely advice:

> Although, certainly, all eyes are currently on November 2nd, it is important for ALL Americans to start thinking about November 3rd....irrespective of how things turn out. For the first time in MANY years, Americans took a VERY active role in their political system. Not only are there more activists, but there is a FAR deeper level of education in not only the candidates and issues, but also the process itself. And, truly, this is a monumental, and absolutely necessary, shift in the role that politics plays in our day to day lives.
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> John Philpot Curran (an Irish statesman and orator) said, in a speech, "It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become a prey to the active. The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he break, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt."
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> Later, the essence of this statement was attributed to several people: "Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom".
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> Regardless of who may have said it, the words are absolutely true and serve as a call to duty; OUR duty, as Americans: If we cherish freedom, we MUST be eternally vigilant.
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> We MUST remain vocal, active and educated.
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> We MUST seek the truth, constantly.

We MUST demand that our leaders, once elected, abide by the strict language of the Constitution.

We MUST keep careful watch on ALL persons sworn to "uphold the Constitution".

We MUST continue to vote....in EVERY election, no matter how trivial.

We MUST continue to educate ourselves and those around us on matters that include candidates, issues, laws, etc.

We MUST constantly fight for equality....TRUE equality.

We MUST be willing to assume our role in defense of the Constitution.

Since the 60's, America has slouched toward Socialism. Since 2006, when Democrats regained control of both houses, that pace was drastically accellerated.

Where we are as a nation today is due to two factors: a VERY active, tiny group of Marxists and a HUGE group of complacent voters.

ONLY ongoing activism on the part of those who cherish their freedoms will guarantee those freedoms.

Until next week on Open Line, Blessed be God and may He mightily bless you! The polls are still open...you know what to do! Bye for now!