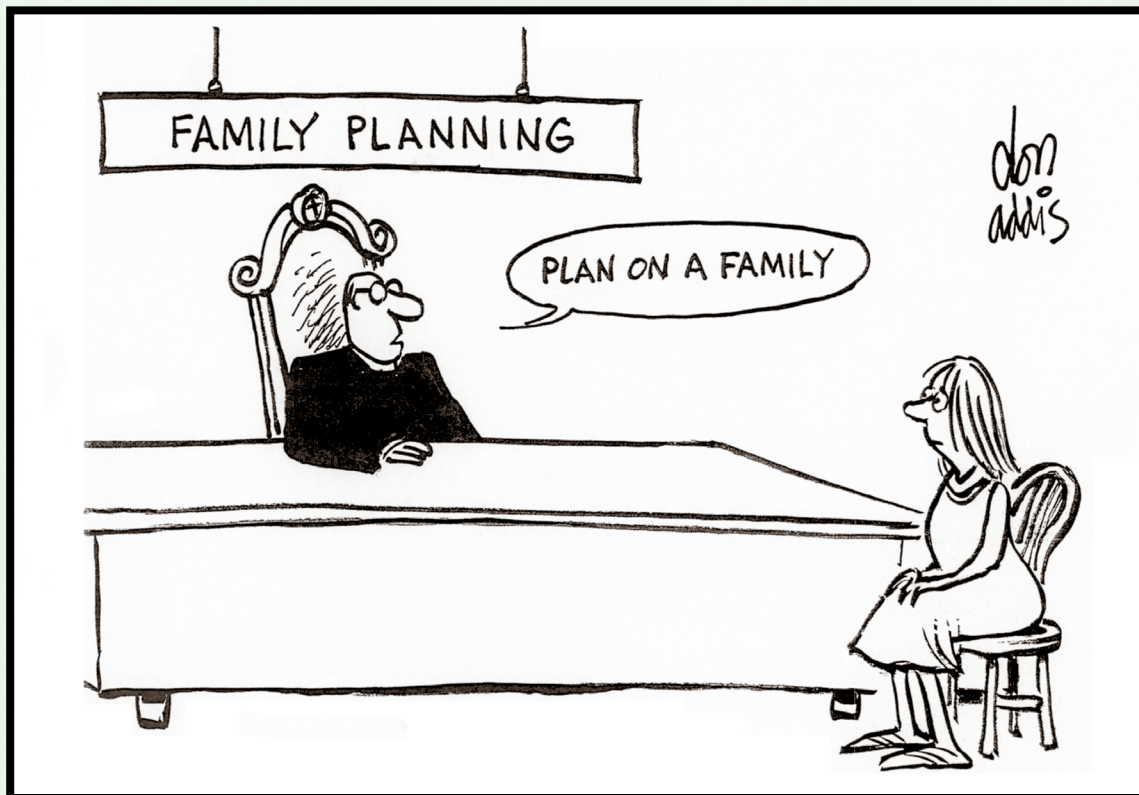


“BE FRUITFUL, AND MULTIPLY?” — OR SAVE OUR EARTH?

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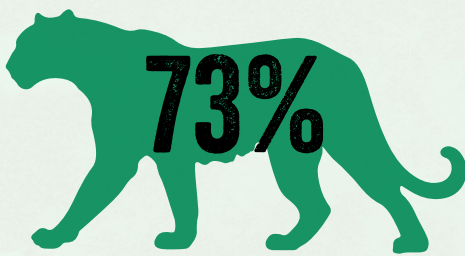
A century ago there were nearly 2 billion people on Earth. By 1970, humans multiplied to 3.6 billion and today we number 8.2 billion. By 2050, there will be 9.7 billion of us. The Earth has been replenished, and then some!

Even in the midst of this explosive population growth, the Vatican and many Christian fundamentalist sects continue their ruthless war to deny women control of their own fertility.

In a religious quest to “have dominion over every living thing that moves upon the earth,” humans have encroached upon and befouled our planet. The extinction rates are alarming:



North American birds lost since 1970



Drop in wildlife populations between 1970 and 2020



Species at risk of extinction from human-caused climate change

Political obstructionists in the United States — science deniers primarily fueled by biblical doctrine, hubris or just plain greed — are playing their fundamentalist fiddles while Rome burns. Responsible stewards must protect reproductive rights and employ science and evidence-based decision-making to save this world, our only world.

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