



These two Christmas paintings are by Argentine artist, Roberto Claverie

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All in the Family

Two of Our Children Are Adopted

By Sarah Child

For more months than I care to count the newspapers and telecasts have been full of abortion stories.

First it was the passing of the ultra-liberal New York State law with followup stories every day. Letters-to-the-editor columns rarely appear without at least one letter either pro or con on the subject.

As one who believes in the sanctity of life from the moment of conception, I find almost any word on abortions distressing to the point where I turn my head away, hoping in ostrich-like fashion that if I ignore it the problem will be solved.

That is a general reaction, I believe, shared by many who are only as familiar with the abortion problem as they can be while having it interpreted for them by the communications media.

Besides this general reaction, however, I have a more personal interest.

Two of our children are adopted. And on this eve before Christmas as we prepare to celebrate again the anniversary of the birth of that very special Child, I pause and think again of two young women.

Although I will never know them, I know they respected the life they carried and in the face of social stigma had the courage to give birth instead of seeking to terminate it.

Any mother knows as I do that it is never easy to carry and bear a child, even when the child is desperately wanted.

How much greater the burden when the mother knows she and her infant are to be separated after birth?

May God bless them. Always. Because of them, two of our beloved children were given life.