You ever know who's listening

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Abortion is a hot-button issue here at Holy Cross. Being a Catholic college, pro-life ideology is a dominant theme in the political discussions that tend to occur on campus. Even discussions about abortion, these discussions often become quite heated.

In classrooms, at parties, in casual discussion, I have heard the “sacredness of life” mantra quite often. I have even heard men on this campus voice the rather extreme view that abortion is murder. If that is the case, why does no one in this country, regardless of circumstance, choose to carry a child to term and raise him or her to adulthood, against a simple surgical procedure. Although many men do hold very strong and well-informed opinions on the topic, the fact remains: a man always has the option of walking away. The implications of this action, however, are not really being considered. The only reason to think about what it is like to have the potential of carrying new life inside them, should not be so quick to judge the women who make that choice.

In conclusion, to those who feel the need to express their views on abortion in public being at a Catholic college does not mean that there are no people here who believe in choice. It also does not mean that there are no women here who have had to make that hard decision. While everyone is entitled to their opinion, take care in voicing yours, because you really don’t know who’s listening.