

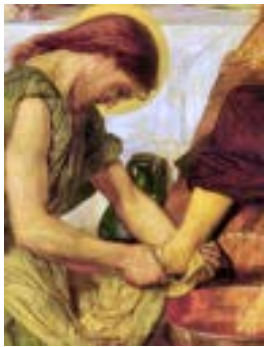


A MOVEMENT OF LOVE

YOU ARE A VITAL PART OF THIS MINISTRY, HEALING AND SAVING LIVES!

Prayerful Lenten greetings to you, our pro-life family!

At times donors have shared with me they wish they “could do more” or “my donation is so small I wish I could give more” or “I can’t come and help at the Center as I would like to.” They do not see as we do, face-to-face with clients, the impact



of their beautiful sacrifice. There is no need to measure “big or small” or invoke comparisons when it comes to how a person is moved to partner with us.

We encourage them to rejoice in the knowledge that everyone praying and moving and giving together are the hands and feet of Christ in all our work. Every gift in any way, shape or form makes a demonstrable difference. We would not exist without your thoughts, prayers, passion, interest and investment in this ministry.

God created a people, not solely a person. He created us to need and love one another and work together for the Kingdom! YOU make a difference in the lives of the community in the way God has called you to serve and support. And YOU are of inestimable worth to each of the lives recently saved, as we tell herein.

There is no big or small, there is just being—being a cherished part of this beautiful movement of love. Thank you for giving yourself and being a part of our family.

Executive Director

DAYS OF JOY — LIVES SAVED

On a frigid January morning shortly before dawn, a young couple approached the gloomy gates of Planned Parenthood. They had an appointment for an abortion.

They were there because the thought of having a child brought up overwhelming feelings of desperation due to the circumstances of their individual lives. They discussed abortion and, despite their apprehension, they decided to schedule the procedure.



However, during the days before the appointment their decision was causing them great consternation. A potent feeling arose in their hearts, imparting awareness that it

was not the right thing to do. The father of the baby prayed, “God, show us another way.”

The fateful day arrived. Bodies shivering and spirits quaking, they encountered on the sidewalk outside the fence a long-time prayer warrior, a gentle man who told them, “You don’t have to do this. There is help available.”

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SPRING ROSE SALE WILL BLOOM MAY 7 & 8

Parishes throughout the diocese will kindly host our Spring Rose Sale during Mother’s Day weekend, Saturday & Sunday, May 7 & 8. This is a win-win service for the parish community and Mother of Life Pregnancy Center. After Mass, so many people visit their moms, or loved ones in nursing homes, or cemeteries. Beautiful roses readily available bless both givers and receivers.

While the suggested donation for a single rose remains \$3, a bulk-buy option is now available! We will accept pre-orders of single-customer purchases of 25-rose bundles for a minimum donation of \$75 per bundle. Full donation in advance is required. Bulk ordering is only available online at motheroflife.org/donate, click the Events tab, and select Spring Rose Sale.

Your roses will be set apart at the Rose Sale table at your participating parish. The deadline for 25-rose bundle orders is noon on Monday, April 25. Thereafter, no orders can be accommodated.

If your church has not yet hosted a Rose Sale, please ask your parish’s pro-life ministry and your pastor if you may take the lead this Spring.

We make it very easy by providing simple packets with the few materials you will need to enjoy success. For our assistance, contact

richard@motheroflife.org by Wednesday, April 13.



Thank you for your perennial support!

LIVES SAVED...

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A conversation ensued and he directed the clearly relieved couple to Mother of Life Pregnancy Center. They came to us directly from that sidewalk.

Received warmly and compassionately by our professional counseling and ultrasound team, they opened their hearts and told their story. Our staff provided blessed reassurance regarding the Center's services and its ability to aid them during their journey with their child.

Then, upon seeing proof of their baby's humanity on the ultrasound monitor, their fear turned to joy.

Such turnarounds—the saving of babies and souls, are the noble achievements of a variety of mission-driven people functioning in their churches, on the sidewalks,



Saint Gianna,
pray for us!

in pro-life ministries, and at Mother of Life Pregnancy Center with the blessing of your sympathetic and supportive involvement.

Each in their own manner, through individual and collective charisms and gifts, is readily cooperating with the Almighty in answering that plaintive, perfect prayer: "God, show me the way."

May He lavishly bless the sidewalk prayer servants who in winter's sting and summer's swelter devotedly and perpetually return to that little piece of public space where lives and souls can be rescued.

Thanks be to God for the privilege we share in conducting this ministry with your support!

A WORTHY OFFERING

There are dramatic moments in the daily conduct of our ministry when the alms entrusted to our stewardship by you, our contributors, are on fire with purpose in every corner of our work.

The entirety of last Tuesday was such a moment. Early in the morning the same awesome sidewalk prayer warrior helped turn another mother away from abortion. He brought her directly to the Center where we learned through one of our vital volunteer translators that she needed every service we offer.

"Do not turn your face away from any of the poor..."

— Tobit 4:7b —

By your steadfast support, this 14-weeks-pregnant, Spanish-speaking-only, needy, vulnerable mom received from us charity at every level. Your goodness will forever accompany her and her child on their life journey.

"... do not hesitate to give alms; you will be storing up a goodly treasure for yourself..."

— Tobit 4:9b —

During this period of almsgiving, please prayerfully consider a donation that will enable us to continue sharing your face of charity, for your gift of sustenance is in our smiles when we answer the door.

Kindly bear in mind the steady value of monthly donations. They particularly nourish us during lean times. You would be amazed by the difference \$10 can make in our provision of services when 100 donors are each sending that amount. Please use the enclosed donation/prayer form or visit motheroflife.org/donate.

If it has been a while since you contributed, we humbly ask for a donation to support the publication of our newsletters. Thank you!

WHEN ASKED WHAT SHE LIKED BEST ABOUT OUR SERVICES, C.F. SAID...

*"I felt very informed,
and they were really great.
I love this place!"*



WHEN ASKED IF WE COULD PRAY FOR HER, G.C. ANSWERED...

*"To have enough to take care
of the baby and our needs."*

UNBOUNDED GENEROSITY

A towering collection of clothes, toys, diapers, blankets and other items for infants and toddlers is displayed in the Center's Parenting Room.

This bounty was donated by Saint Philip Church parishioners responding to a Baby Shower hosted by the parish's Youth and Respect Life ministries.

May God bless this great faith community and the precious families that will receive these goods!

The Center always needs diapers in sizes 4, 5, and 6. Please call us at 401-421-0820 for the best drop-off times.



SEEING LIFE IS SAVING LIVES

"This is the first time I have seen this. I had no idea!"

Astonishingly, more than once in recent public presentations, Executive Director Gail Faraj-Musleh was told by women in attendance that despite having children they were never shown models demonstrating the in utero developmental stages of a baby.

Students and teachers at Saint Philip School in Greenville and parish families at Saint Paul Church in Cranston have now viewed, touched and held such models. During the weekend of the 48th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., Gail visited both of those Catholic faith and learning communities to share the knowledge that edifies and elicits pro-life empathy.

With posters and models she presented the reality of life in the womb, such as the fact that at the moment of conception each baby's sex is established, along with unique DNA and personality. By the 18th day after conception the baby's heart begins to beat.



Pause for a moment to take that in, to personalize it. The heart beating in your chest right now—the heart that, please God, has not stopped for a moment and will not stop until He calls you home—that heart began its perpetual, rhythmic throbbing before your mom and dad knew you were there.

At 43 days, the brain that just enabled you to turn the page would have coordinated a similar movement in your mama's womb. Another 2 weeks along, and all your organs were functioning. The following week you had unique fingerprints! By 14 weeks, all that remained was for you to become larger.

Photos courtesy of Saint Philip School.



Students examine models of babies at various gestational stages.

Fascinating too, were the students' instincts about holding a baby. Each one cradled the models that they picked up.

"I can't believe how heavy a baby is inside a mom's belly!" said a student holding a real-weight six-month fetal model, with respect for his own mom admittedly growing.



Among the most important functions of Mother of Life Pregnancy Center is the presentation of truth to the women who arrive needing to know their options. We don't limit the teaching of that truth to the interior of these four walls. We bring the lamp out and spread its radiance for the sake of a world longing for light.

These presentations can be arranged for your church, school, medical office, and Catholic organization. To make arrangements, please contact Gail at 401-421-0821 or gail@motheroflife.org. Pray for us, please, as we continue sharing the light!

ROSE GALA 2022 WILL BE AN AUGUST SENSATION!

We told you about the happy challenge we had trying to accommodate the great demand for 2021 Rose Gala tickets. We just couldn't fit anymore guests in the room!

Our unprecedented solution: Two nights of Rose Gala: THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 & 19!! The second night will be a replication of the first. Attend one or attend both!

During the sweet spot of Summer, we will joyfully welcome you to Squantum Association, situated on the scenic east shore of upper Narragansett Bay. You'll enjoy strolling the lovely property, including tiny Huckleberry Island. Lively companions, lapping water, broad and impressive views, and the splendid sunset will furnish a delightful atmosphere.



The southward view at Squantum Association.

The Gala will feature an indoor/outdoor cocktail hour, delicious sit-down dinner, live and silent auctions, a paddle raise, and dancing!

Remember the touching personal testimonies shared by featured speakers at our 2021 Gala? The special guests we are arranging for this year will also amaze you!

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!

Purchase online through the Events tab at motheroflife.org/donate. To purchase by mail, please phone us at 401-421-0820.

Prestigious sponsorship opportunities are also available under the Events tab or by contacting richard@motheroflife.org.

This important fundraiser is very popular, so purchase tickets early. Thank you for your enthusiastic participation!



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PLEASE SHARE

You probably have some friends whose hearts resonate with yours on pro-life matters. At your request, we will gladly send them a copy of this newsletter. Please transmit their name and address to gail@motheroflife.org or call 401-421-0820. Thank you!

WAYS OF GIVING TO THE CENTER

Whether it is a one-time or planned gift, your donation sustains the vital work of Mother of Life Pregnancy Center. Besides customary contributions by checks, credit cards and participation in fundraising events, you may also donate:

STOCKS

Contact Communications & Development Facilitator Richard Lafond (richard@motheroflife.org, 401-421-0820) who will provide you with the transaction information your broker will need.

QCDs FROM YOUR IRAS

Qualified Charitable Distributions may enable you to reduce taxable income provided by your Required Minimum Distributions (RMD).

LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

Naming the Center as a beneficiary is an evocative way of turning the passage of life for one into the chance of life for many.

BEQUESTS BY WILL

You can set up your Will to leave money and other assets as a legacy for life. If you have already prepared a Will and want to include the Center, you can make an amendment to your Will.

SEEK PROFESSIONAL GUIDANCE

Determining how to make the best use of these opportunities requires thoughtful consideration of your own circumstances and priorities. Consult your accountant and advisors regarding the appropriateness of any gift arrangement. Thank you for your special consideration!

DEDICATE A BRICK



Honor your loved ones with an inscription on the bricks flanking our front door.

Visit motheroflife.org/donate, click the **Donate** tab and scroll down to **Memorials**.

GET PERKY FOR THE CENTER!

If you have not yet tried pro-life Lifeboat Coffee, we buoyantly recommend doing so!



When you order through our affiliate link:

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Lifeboat will donate 6% of its revenue from your purchase to help the Center keep brewing the culture of life.