What is the "Walking With Moms in Need" Initiative?

"The 25th anniversary of The Gospel of Life gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand and communicate the resources to pregnant moms and families in need. Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service officially commenced March 25, 2020. I encourage each of you to help your parish implement this initiative. I also urge you to inquire with your local pregnancy resource center how you can help. Lives that we may not currently be able to protect by the law, we can rescue through love. We want to do everything possible to help both mother and child, not only survive but thrive."

- Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, Chair of the USCCB Pro-Life Committee

Everyone should know how to help moms in difficult circumstances. While not trying to turn Catholic parishes into pregnancy centers, we can support local pregnancy centers where they exist, and we can also find and share other resources with pregnant and parenting women.

Abortion is not without risks

If you are facing an unplanned or difficult pregnancy, "experts" might tell you that abortion will take away your problems. Unfortunately, for many women it causes more, including mental health issues and serious physical complications.

Visit www.gabrielprojectkc.com to learn more. You CAN choose life for your child and a healthier future for yourself, and we can help.

9 A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion Mary.

Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.

Amen.

DID YOU KNOW?

AT 18 DAYS: A baby's heart begins to beat

AT 6 WEEKS: A babu's brain coordinates movements and responds to touch

AT 8 WEEKS: All organs are functioning

AT 9 WEEKS: Has permanent, individual fingerprints **AT 10 WEEKS**: Sense of touch (comfort/pain)

AT 12 WEEKS: A babu can smile, suck his/her thumb, and make a fist

Any textbook will confirm what every doctor knows:

THAT LIFE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart.

Jeremiah 1:5



The Mission of the Pro-Life Office is to build a culture of life in NE Kansas that:

- affirms life is a gift from God and that every human is created in His image and likeness
- values and respects the inherent dignity of the human person, and
- protects all life from conception until natural death, especially the most vulnerable.

CONNECT WITH US!



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NEED HELP?

of the sea of indifference".

-- Pope Francis



You are NOT alone

WE ARE HERE TO HELP.



CRISIS PREGNANCY RESOURCES

ARCHDIOCESAN CRISIS PREGNANCY MINISTRY

Gabriel Project

www.gabrielprojectkc.com 24 hour hotline – 913.602.0306 director@gabrielprojectkc.com

Catholic Charities

www.catholiccharitiesks.org/pregnancy-counseling 9720 West 87th St., Overland Park KS 66212 913.433.2063 / hroberts@catholiccharitiesks.org

ARCHDIOCESAN POST-ABORTIVE MINISTRY

Project Rachel & Project Joseph

www.projectrachelkc.com 913.621.2199 / projectrachelkc@archkck.org

ADOPTION COUNSELING SERVICES FOR BIRTH PARENTS

Catholic Charities

www.catholiccharitiesks.org/adoption/birth-parents 9720 West 87th St., Overland Park KS 66212 913.433.2063 / adoption@catholiccharitiesks.org

St. Joseph Adoption Ministry

www.catholicadoptionministry.org 913.299.5222 / jadopt@sbcglobal.net



ADVERSE FETAL DIAGNOSIS/ INFANT HOSPICE

Alexandra's House

www.alexandrashouse.com

Alexandra's House is a community based, peer support perinatal hospice program that provides active management and hope for families pregnant with or who have a baby with lethal anomalies and who is expected to die near or shortly after birth. "It is our distinct privilege to be any part of this special journey with you."

816.931.ALEX (2539)

MATERNITY HOMES

(SERVING PREGNANT HOMELESS WOMEN)

Nativity House

www.nativityhousekc.org 721 N 31st Street, Kansas City KS 66102 kellyw@nativityhousekc.org / 913.281.7722

Shiloh Home of Hope

www.shilohhomeofhope.org 615 Congress Street, Emporia, KS 66801 fls.shiloh@hotmail.com / 620.342.2244

PREGNANCY HELP CENTERS

EMPORIA

Family Life Services Pregnancy Center of Emporia

www.shilohhomeofhope.com 615 Congress Street, Emporia, KS 66801 fls.shiloh@hotmail.com / 620.342.2244

KANSAS CITY, KS

Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic

www.wyandottepregnancyclinic.org 3021 N. 54th St., Kansas City, KS 66104 office@wpcnetwork.org / 913.287.8287; Text 913.735.3262

Kansas City Pregnancy Clinic

www.kcpregnancyclinic.org 721 N. 31st St, Suite 200 Kansas City KS (In the Mercy and Truth Medical Building) 913-340-9031/913-340-9032 Spanish; donna@kcpregnancyclinic.org

LAWRENCE

Insight Women's Center of Lawrence

www.insightlawrence.org 3210 Mesa Way, Lawrence, KS 66049 24 Hour Helpline – 800.712.4357 / After hours text "helpline" to 313131 bridgit@insightlawrence.org / 785.842.6499

<u>LEAVENWORTH</u> Birthright of Leavenworth

www.birthright.org/leavenworth 221-A Delaware St., Leavenworth, KS 66048 24 Hour Helpline – 800.550.4900 birthrightks@gmail.com / 913.682.2700

OLATHE

Olathe Pregnancy Clinic

www.olathepregnancyclinic.org 1313 E. Santa Fe, Olathe KS 66061 ddrouhard@opcnetwork.org 913.289.0100; Text 913.815.0434

OTTAWA Ottawa Pregnancy Center

www.lifecarecenter.org 121 E. Second St, Ottawa, KS 66067 24 Hour Helpline – 877.791.5475 / Text Line – 785.734.4632 hope@lifecarecenter.org / 785.242.4500

OVERLAND PARK Advice and Aid Pregnancy Clinic

www.adviceandaid.com 10901 Granada Lane, Suite 100, O.P. 66211 24 Hour Helpline – 913.962.0200 rtisdale@adviceandaid.com / 913.962.0200

Catholic Charities Pregnancy Counseling

www.catholiccharities.org/pregnancy-counseling 9720 West 87th Street, O.P. KS 66213 hroberts@catholiccharities.org / 913.433.2063

TOPEKA Birthright of Topeka

www.birthright.org/topeka 512 SW 7th St, Topeka, KS 66603 24 Hour Helpline – 800-550-4900 kljeggen@yahoo.com / 785.234.0701

Mary's Choices Topeka

551 NW Broad Street, Topeka KS 24 Hour Helpline – 800.712.HELP mcolbern@maryschoices.com / 785.246.6805



Abortion Pill Reversal

Have you taken the first dose of mifepristone (also known as RU486 or the "abortion pill")? Do you regret your decision and wish you could reverse the effects of the abortion pill?

It may not be too late; we can help you!

CALL 877-558-0333 FOR HELP