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PLU Outreach

We had a great turnout at the recent Sidewalk Counseling at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center. The Pro Life Union worked with Alliance NFP to present an interactive presentation focused on reaching women in crisis and being equipped for the conversations that can occur. As we embark on another 40 Days for Life Campaign in the Greater Philadelphia area, we encourage everyone to consider participating in one of the local campaigns. Nationally through 40 Days for Life, 11,796 have been saved from abortion and at the Locust Street Campaign, 33 children have been spared from abortion. Their mothers have been supported and loved by the pro-life community. The official local 40 Days Campaigns working with the Pro Life Union are listed below with a contact number. (Other modified campaigns are taking place in the area, please call our office for details and information.)



Warminster: Mary Paris – 215-348-7480 • Center City: Pat Stanton – 267-718-4851 • West Chester: Paulette Matthews - 484-832-2746



The Art of Deception

In this time of election commercials, the truth is a rare commodity. A commercial has been airing featuring a breast cancer survivor. She is “outraged” that a candidate voted to defund Planned Parenthood, “which thousands of Pennsylvania women depend on for cancer screenings.” The implication is that Planned Parenthood offers mammograms, but the outrage is that they DO NOT, which was confirmed in a recent phone call.

A woman who is due for a mammogram called the Planned Parenthood at 12th & Locust in Philadelphia and related to us this story. She stated that she would like to schedule a mammogram. She was asked, “Okay, can I have your date of birth?” “Can I have your name?” She was put on hold for about five minutes and the PP worker came back on the phone and said “Were you given a referral to get a mammogram?” The woman explained that she was advised to have a re-check soon. “Where did you have one done before? You might want to go back to that place, because we do not do mammograms.” When asked if the PP on Comly Road would do the test, the PP worker stated “**No Planned Parenthoods do mammograms.**” (Snopes corroborates this - <http://www.snopes.com/politics/medical/mammograms.asp>). Why did they not explain immediately that they do not offer this procedure? Why do PP defenders and politicians continue to pretend that Planned Parenthood is saving lives, when in fact the company was responsible for 10,380 abortions in 2015 in the Greater Philadelphia area? Defunding Planned Parenthood is not an extreme position, it is the right one.

Stand Up For Life Dinner

Be sure to SAVE THE DATE for the 2016 Stand Up For Life Dinner – November 20, 2016. This year’s Dinner promises to be another evening of comradery and reflection as we hear from our impressive and inspiring speaker, Karen Gaffney. Karen holds the distinction of being the first person with Down Syndrome to swim the English Channel and Lake Tahoe and her TEDX talk was met with a standing ovation! Look for your Dinner Order materials coming soon or visit www.prolifeunion.org/dinner to order tickets online. Also, please consider sponsoring the PLU by placing an ad or patron ad in our Dinner Program Book. For more info on this, please call Anne Hinnegan at 215-885-8150.



Happy 1st
Birthday!

Last night we
celebrated the
1st Birthday of
one of our
residents!

We are so
blessed to
celebrate him!



Guiding Star Update

As of this writing, we have seven moms living at Guiding Star. We have a full house with new babies on the way. It is incredibly encouraging to witness the great joy our mothers experience while awaiting the births of their new little ones. Simple gifts and items like new baby clothes and diaper bags bring smiles to these new moms, as well as any classic novels for the residents who are in hopes of starting a Book Club (Our first book is going to be And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie. Any donations of extra copies of this classic mystery are welcomed). We recently celebrated the first birthday of one of our little guys. It was a fun night, sharing cake and celebrating life. His mom is an incredible young woman who is overcoming obstacles and is now a mentor to the other residents, helping them on their journey. We are so grateful for the answered prayers from a donor for a new refrigerator which will soon be installed and we recently purchased new bedding sets and baby items for the residents.

Pro-Life Vigils

Catholics – (The Rosary will be prayed after each of these Masses. Location in parentheses.)

3rd Friday – 8 am Mass – Nativity of Our Lord, 625 W. Street Rd. (PP Warminster)

1st Saturday – 8:30 am Mass – St. Laurence, Upper Darby (PP Upper Darby)

1st Saturday – 7 am Mass – Christ The King, Morell & Chesterfield (PP Comly & Blvd.)

1st Saturday – 8 am Mass – St. Agnes, West Chester (PP West Chester)

2nd Saturday – 8:30 am Mass – Newman chapel, U of P, 38th & Chestnut (Penn Family Care, 39th & Chestnut)

3rd Saturday – 7 am Mass – St. John, 13th & Market (PP 12th & Locust)

4th Saturday – 6:30-8:30 am – Phila. Women’s Ctr., 8th & Cherry

Be Not Afraid

Last week at our Sidewalk Counseling Training Session, we were asked, “when a woman needs help, housing or support, is there a ‘war chest’ of funds?” Throughout our many years of service, when a woman has turned to us for help or the pro-life movement had a need to be addressed, the Pro Life Union stepped out in faith, following the advice of our founder to ‘be not afraid!’ Over the years we have been confirmed in that faith, the necessary funds coming when most needed. But, we also recognize that we must ask. We need your help to continue this work!

Please consider a special gift as the summer winds down. Over the next couple of months, you’ll be asked by politicians for money because they “will change the country.” We ask for your sacrificial gifts because every single day, the Pro Life Union changes the culture and saves lives. And, the Pro Life Union isn’t just our staff and board, but it is the women we have served who join us in defending life, and this Union of people committed to affirming the sanctity of life is each one of you! Be a part of something amazing and beautiful. Your dollars make a difference.

- ♥ Our Sidewalk Counseling Training can equip you and others to understand the heart of a woman in crisis
- ♥ Our Hotline is available 24/7 so we can answer questions, point people in the right direction and support women
- ♥ Our Prayer and Witness awakens the community to the reality of abortion
- ♥ Our Education efforts, through brochures, newsletters and website, help all of us to speak in defense of life
- ♥ Our public affairs efforts include a presence in Harrisburg and in the media.

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