St. Michael the Archangel Pregnancy Help Center Newsletter

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MOVING DAY!

It was a blessed and beautiful day in late August when we moved to our new center. It was a day of boxing, wrapping, lifting, pushing, pulling, tugging—- baby clothes diapers, wipes, baby items, baby blankets, shelves, chairs and tables—it was a lot of backbreaking work! But so worth it! We are so thankful for the many hands that chipped in to help. We are especially thankful for the "muscle power" of our men—young and old who joined with this effort.

Our new address is 396 N. Main Street in Barnegat. We are so excited as this building will allow us to expand our scope to better serve the moms who come to us for help. Thanks to so many generous souls, thanks to our landlords Deacon Frank and his son Danny, and most of all thanks be to God!!! Stay tuned for information about our Grand Opening!



FUND-RAISING BANQUET



Thanks to all who helped make our September 10, 2026 fundraising banquet a huge success. We were privileged to have close to a hundred faithful souls in attendance. Included at the banquet were parishioners from St. Francis on LBI, St. Joseph's in Toms River, St. Luke's in Toms River, St. John's in Lakehurst, St. Mary's in Barnegat and Manahawkin and St. Theresa's in Little Egg —just to name a few! It was so very wonderful to unite with different parishes with one voice in defense of life and especially to have so many clergy members (priests and deacons) present to share in this joyous evening!

Thanks be to God our donations for the night of the banquet were $9,545.00. And one extremely generous donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, agreed to match that amount—and has since indicated a donation of $10,000! This takes us closer to the goal of a paid executive director and ultrasound technology. Glory to God!!!

Our guest speakers were Tricia and Pete DeMaio who grew up in New Jersey, moved to Pennsylvania, and have recently moved back to New Jersey. We are so happy to have these true defenders of life as neighbors and hope to be working with them in the future.

Tricia and Pete gave their motivational testimony at the banquet. They now have a beautiful family, reflecting the true image of marriage, family and faith. But for Pete and Tricia it wasn't always that way. They made many regrettable mistakes in their youth. As they look back, they both feel that they were never provided solid formation and education. This is what has driven them to establish their organization called *Mission Love and Life*—a ministry dedicated to spreading the truth of marriage the Catholic way. Hearing their triumph of light and truth over darkness and confusion was an inspiration to all present on this wonderful evening. Thank you for blessing us, Pete and Tricia, with your wonderful testimony of truth and faith!



TO EACH ONE OF YOU!:

There are no words to express the appreciation we feel for each one of you who has contributed to St. Michael the Archangel Pregnancy Help Center, in ways both big and small. It has been somewhat of a miracle of God's hand to see the work of the center grow and expand. Each one of us has a different gift to give. Some who have no time have sacrificed their treasure. Some who have little monetary treasure have sacrificed their time. Some have provided the sometimes unseen (to us mere mortals but not to God) gift of prayers. It has been teamwork at its best. Websters defines teamwork as: *work done by a group acting together so that each member does a part that contributes to the efficiency of the whole*. But what we have witnessed at St. Michael's is something beyond worldly teamwork. It seems supernatural. Indeed it is. It is the body of Christ working together, united as one (1 Cor. 12:12) empowered by the Holy Spirit.

When God knits a baby together in its mothers womb, (Psalm 139:13) He wants that knitting to continue uninterrupted by human intervention. He has a purpose for each and every life He calls into being. And He has called us to unite as one, in one single effort, for His glory, that His babies might be saved. Please pray with us that St. Michael the Archangel Pregnancy Help Center, and all those called to assist in this mission, may always be an instrument by which our Lord's children are protected from abortion, and given a chance at life for the glory of God.

THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!



Thank you to St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Annunciation Council #3826 in Barnegat! This Council recently donated $3,500 at our fundraising banquet. May God especially bless you for your generosity! Thank you, St. Mary's Knights of Columbus for your generous hearts!



Thank you to St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Father Capodanno Council #6522 in Forked River!

This Council recently conducted a diaper drive for us collecting a number so great it will be a challenge to count them all! They gave us a generous cash donation as well! We are blessed to be able to provide diapers for some time to come. Thank you, St. Pius X Knights of Columbus, for your phenomenal diaper drive!

St. Michael Help Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity.
We are an affiliate of Heartbeat International, and a member of NIFLA (National Institute of Family and Life Advocates). We are a Catholic-aligned pregnancy help center which supports women with unplanned pregnancies and their families by offering (or facilitating access to) a wide range of supplies and services, to brighten their future and enable them live a life of dignity. We hope to expand this vital mission toward our goals of hiring an executive director and providing ultrasound.

HOW TO GIVE:

Online: Visit our website at stmichaelhelp.org/donate; or simply scan the QR code (below right). We are especially in need of recurring monthly donations so we can plan to expand our services —by signing up for recurring donations you can become a St. Michael's **GEM** by **G**iving **E**very **M**onth!

Or mail checks
(payable to St. Michael Help Center) to:

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