

Life Letter

Fall 2022

ALL Free Services

- 24 Hour Help Line
- Pregnancy Tests
- Ultrasound
- Mobile Unit
- Peer Counseling
- Material Aid
- Abortion Recovery
- Adoption Referrals
- Housing Referrals
- Medical Referrals
- Breastfeeding Instruction/Consult
- APR Reversal Info



**“God’s
Child...God’s
Choice”**

-Tim Haklar

The ARMOUR of God

*“Put you on the armour
of God, that you may be
able to stand against the
deceits of the devil.”*

-Ephesians 6:11

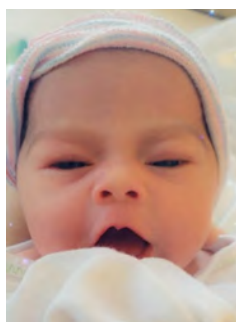


**Saving Babies
& Families
Over 37 Years!**



Mission Statement: The Mission of Life Choices Resource Center is to promote and defend the sanctity of all human life, born and unborn, through the provision of abortion-alternative services and resources that empower mothers and families to CHOOSE LIFE. We provide loving help, hope and healing, recognizing that each human being is made in the Image and Likeness of God, and we value each LIFE as His GIFT.

A Source of Love in the Midst of Chaos



Every day we wake up to news of more and more violence – against houses of worship, against pregnancy resource centers and against children. It is both horrifying and heart-wrenching. Unfortunately, however, it is not surprising.

Many years ago, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said, ***“Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love is abortion.”***

Unlike the enemies of life and truth, we know the only way to end this cycle of violence is with profound and overwhelming love. For over 37 years at **Life Choices Resource Center**, our staff and volunteers have worked tirelessly to bring God’s love to women and their families during their most vulnerable time. With truth and charity, we empower each woman to understand the beauty of the unique life growing in her womb. We want all women to know that when they co-operate with God, they are holding the hands of our Creator – bringing forth life and unleashing unimagined potential into the world.



Love creates, love endures and every one of us is both capable and worthy of love.



While we celebrate the end of **Roe vs. Wade**, we know our work is more vital than ever before. Through our loving witness, we must continue to convert hearts and minds – one person at a time – to appreciate and uphold the dignity and humanity of the littlest members of our family.

Please continue to support and pray for us in this great mission and, most importantly, pray for the families we serve! *-Anna Acquaviva*



Tributes to Our Loved Ones



In Loving Memory of **Dorothy "Dot" Dunn**

By: Life Choices RC, Patricia Bustin, Lucille Giordano, Miriam Medley, Irene Melendez, Kathleen Murray, Joyce Noble, George & Cathy Wiliszewski, Carol Evanowski, Jeanette & Tom Gomolcak, Dennis & Eileen Guida, Jane Alfonzo, Emily Hayes, Elizabeth Bradbury, Nancy Fiore, Elaine Reichart, Mike & Cathy White

In Honor of
Bill & Kathy Dowling
By: Timothy Haklar

In Loving Memory of
Joanne Nuber
By: Mary T. McNerney

In Loving Memory of
Mark T. Leonard
By: Mary T. McNerney

In Loving Memory of my
Parents William &
Maryann Medvetz
By: Barbara Medvetz

Loving Tribute
By: Elizabeth Fehl

In Loving Memory of
Michael Anthony Diaz
By: KJ Diaz

In Memory of the lives lost in
the Texas School Tragedy
By: Howie & Eileen Lishinsky

In Memory of
Msgr. Leon Kasprzyk
By: Rev. Sean Winters

In Loving Memory of
Deceased Family Members
By: Michael Ciasca

In Loving Memory of
Robert J. Mencor, Jr.
By: Josephine Colatrella

In Loving Memory of
Laverne Prus
By: Stanley Prus

In Honor of Jacqueline P. for a
Special Birthday Blessing
By: Loving Family

In Honor of Josefina &
Romulo Barredo
By: Elaine & Deacon Bob Yunker

In Loving Memory of
Rose Mary Lyons
By: Frank Scapardine

In Loving Memory of
Lucy & John Quilla
By: Clyde Borg

In Memory of
Terry Ann Gagliano
By: Pat Bustin

In Loving Memory of
Joseph Riggio Jr.
By: Bill & Christine Riggio

In Honor of Charlie
Burok celebrating his 80th
year of LIFE!
By: The Blackburn Family

In Honor of Joe & Noreen
Koncur 70th Birthdays!
By: Lucy Mazzone, Terry Smith &
Diane Fisher

Tributes - Gifts of Hope

What better way to remember a loved one,
honor someone special or acknowledge a
special event? I am enclosing a gift of
hope in the amount of \$_____

This gift is _____
(In Memory of, In honor of, Birthday gift, to Celebrate...)
Send Acknowledgment to:

Name: _____
Address: _____
Town, State Zip: _____
My Name: _____
My Address: _____
Phone: _____

To send your own tribute, clip form
and mail it with your donation to:
Life Choices RC, 503 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840

In Honor of Demetra
& Peter Wagner
Celebrating their 25th
Wedding Anniversary



Jo Ann & Deacon Bob Gerling
& our Life Choices Family

SAVE the Date!
Banquet 2023
February 19, 2023

Office Carpet WANTED!

Our office is in
desperate need of
a new carpeting.
If you know of
someone who
would like to help
us with the cost or
Donate it—
PLEASE contact
us! 732-516-0911

The vacuum only
does so much...:)



Dear Friends,

On January 22, 1973, Roe v Wade became the law of the land, meaning abortion became legal in all 50 states of the United States of America. So many people did not question the seriousness and devastating effects of the decision, thinking they were not affected, or that abortion did not pertain to them. We heard how it was a woman's right to choose, and the term "pro-choice" became the pro-abortion side's battlecry. Many people bought into the mentality that since abortion was legal, it was okay. However, the pro-choicers never finished the phrase: the choice is to have her own child killed within her womb. It is estimated that over 63 million babies died by abortion since abortion became legal. But legal does not make it moral. We now have many women (and men) who regret their abortions. Back in 1973, ultrasounds weren't yet performed. Many did not realize the humanity of the child within the womb, and many were lied to and led to believe that abortion was safe, and their only option. Thank God, we now have post-abortion help for those who are suffering from having an abortion, such as Rachel's Vineyard, Silent No More, etc. Here at **Life Choices Resource Center**, we, too, offer post-abortion counseling by our trained consultants.

So much heartache has entailed since the Roe decision. However, on June 24, 2022, the Supreme Court overturned Roe v Wade, after nearly 50 years, thanks be to Almighty God! The decision did not overrule the "right to abortion" as pro-abortion people claim; rather, it overturned the legalization of abortion in all 50 states, returning the power to the people and their elected representatives. This decision gave a new awareness that the pregnant woman has an infant in her womb. Presently, legislators in many states are working towards eliminating abortion or, at least, restricting it. At this writing, several states are now abortion-free!

Unfortunately, New Jersey is not one of these states. Instead of proposing laws to eliminate or restrict abortion, New Jersey EXPANDED access to abortion. There are only 9 other states that have done this. In anticipation of Roe being overturned, our elected NJ lawmakers enshrined abortion and New Jersey now allows abortion in the late stages of pregnancy! Non-physicians are even allowed to perform abortions. New Jersey does not have waiting periods, has no allowance for parental involvement, and forces taxpayers to pay for abortion, among other egregious measures.

We have much work to do. Of course, we need to determine a candidate's position on abortion before we vote for them. We need to contact legislators to voice our pro-life views. Now that abortion has been prominent in the news, we need to educate as many people as we can. Many people don't understand the humanity of the infant in the womb. We should encourage our pastors and ministers to speak out to their congregations, so that people hear the pro-life message in Churches. We need to be public witnesses at abortion mills and at prayer rallies. We need to help change hearts and minds, and **WE NEED TO PRAY!**

Sadly, many girls and women are presently turning to RU486, the abortion pill regimen of mifepristone and misoprostol, to abort their child without knowing the facts and risks. Incomplete abortions may occur resulting in a subsequent surgical abortion. Hemorrhaging and infection may also occur. Many women are ordering these pills online; in doing so, there is no doctor to assess women's health risks. The pills should NOT be taken if a woman has reached 10 weeks of pregnancy, and the only accurate way of determining how far along she is in her pregnancy is by having an ultrasound. Without an ultrasound to determine if a woman has an ectopic pregnancy, her life may be in danger.

**Abortion Pill
Regrets?**

CALL NOW:

(877) 558-0333

**Abortion Pill
Reversal**



Now here is some **GOOD news**: **Life Choices Resource Center** has expanded our services as an **Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) Center!** This means if a woman calls us and tells us she has taken the first abortion pill (mifepristone) and has changed her mind, we can do a **FREE** ultrasound, and facilitate getting her progesterone, a medication which can possibly save the baby! By taking progesterone within the first 24-48 hours of taking the first pill (and as long as she hasn't taken the second pill), it may not be too late! Progesterone is 64-68% successful in maintaining the pregnancy, with no ill effects to the baby or mother.

Because of you, our donors, we are now able to help save more babies' lives and the lives of mothers by **REVERSING** the effects of the abortion pill. With your generosity, we are able to reach more and more abortion-vulnerable women, and are able to continue Our Lord's work. We are also so thankful for all the support we receive from our volunteer helpers. We are so blessed that **YOU** all are part of our **Life Choices** family, and we pray for you daily. Please keep **Life Choices** in your prayers as well, as we continue our mission in saving the lives of babies and families.



God love you,
Jo Ann



Staying SAFE!

We received a visit from the Metuchen Police Dept. checking in & letting us know if we need anything-they are on call! WE are blessed by our HEROes!
St. Michael protect them!

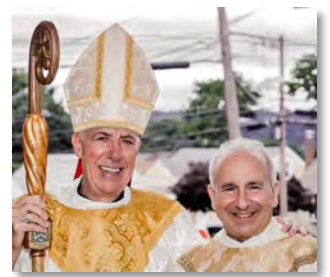
God's Blessings Fr. David Skoblow!!!
Our very own Spiritual Advisor, Fr. David has been appointed the Pastor at his beloved parish, Our Lady of Mount Virgin. We were blessed to be a part of this spiritual celebration! God has chosen a very



GOOD and FAITHFUL servant!

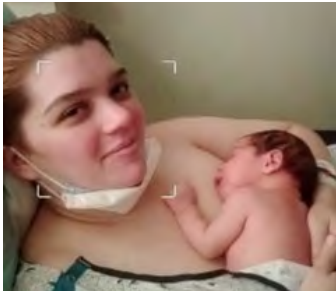
Please keep Fr. David in your prayers on his journey ahead. May God continue to fill him with the gift of the Holy Spirit to lead his sheep!

We LOVE you, Fr. David!



HELLO BABY!!!

We would like to welcome to the world and our Life Choices Family our newest arrivals!!!
What an awesome job



God does EVERY-TIME!!!



Milltown July 4th Parade

Another parade in the books...**THE BIGGEST TURN OUT** in a very long time!!! Our team of volunteers and PRO LIFE warriors took to the streets in downtown Milltown for their annual July 4th Parade! WOW! We were met with lots of cheers! We thank our parade marchers for their support and perseverance. If you would like to join us on our parade routes throughout the year, **LET US KNOW!** We are always looking for more **SOLDIERS for Christ** to march for our **LORD!** Please join us!!!



THANK YOU
for your beautiful hearts!

Showers of LOVE!

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Old Bridge sponsored an Amazon BabyRegistry for one of our expectant moms who gave birth to these two angels! We **THANK YOU!**



Love, The Twins ♥

Baby Bottle Blessings

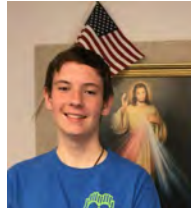


Jesus, I trust in YOU!

A smile, a donation of pens and a gift for the office! We love your faith and trust in our Lord AND our ministry!

God Bless YOU and your daughter!

Reflections on Reforming the Pro-Life Movement



-from our Student Ambassador, Tim Haklar

In the wake of the Dobbs leak, and the subsequent decision, many protesters turned to the streets feeling that women were now "threatened" since Roe was overturned. These protests make me think that we have a lot of work to do in helping educate the public in a post-Roe world.

In relation to politics, one of the central tenets of the pro-life movement is that it is non-political. We stress how the issue of the right to life crosses all political spectra. And sure, while politics do have an important role to play (after all, we need to elect pro-life legislators, judges, and leaders), the political debate should be confined to crafting legislation and public policy that will help women CHOOSE LIFE. Too often we associate the pro-life issue as being one-sided, mainly that it is a conservative issue. However, pro-life people exist in all areas of political persuasion: liberals, independents, and conservatives. Many are powerful warriors, and regardless of where they consider themselves politically, give witness to the apolitical nature of the pro-life movement by their pro-life votes.

We need to change how we are perceived. By depoliticizing abortion, we change it from a party issue to one encompassing both science and morality. Imagine how many more people we can bring to the pro-life side! Take a look at the abolition movement: it was successful because members on all sides saw slavery as a moral wrong. Now it is time to do the same thing with the abortion issue. Pro fetibus auxilium nostrum requiruntibus! (For the infants in the womb requiring our help!)

Prayer Service for LIFE



the "Wellness Center" on Main Street, Woodbridge on July 9th to bring together many dedicated warriors working together to spread **God's Love** through prayer. Attendance was absolutely wonderful and gave great hope to those praying side by side. If you are interested in being notified for the next prayer service please email the

"**Godsquad**" at Godsquadprolife@gmail.com. We ask anyone who is being called to become a sidewalk consultant or just a prayer warrior to please reach out to us in the office. We are in great need of both!

Thanks **Godsquad** teammates for *your dedication to His littles!*



In July we held our first IN PERSON meeting with our beloved consultants. **WE MISSED YOU!!! :)**



WELCOME Aboard!

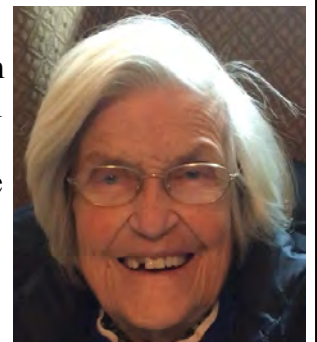
We are happy to have on our team our new bi-lingual volunteer consultant Fanny alongside Jamie, US Dir and

Nurse Judy after an amazing day with clients!



Our Beloved Dot " . "

On July 13, 2022 our world lost a true warrior with the passing of Dot Dunn. Dot was employed as an accountant, avid sportswoman, a dedicated volunteer with MANY organizations but for us here, she was the **Force** behind *Helping Hands*, the material needs arm of *Life Choices* in Perth Amboy. Her

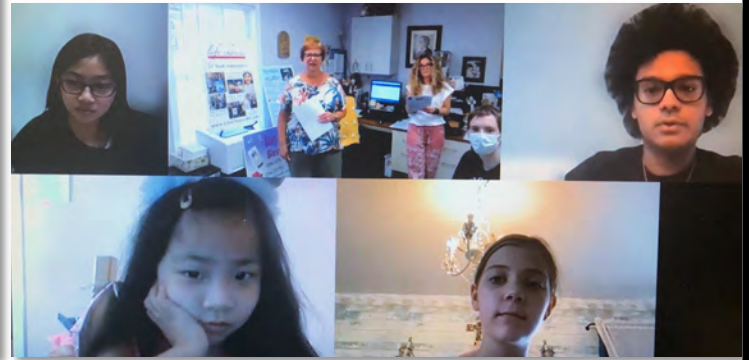


energy and drive inspired the many faithful volunteers who served clients every Wednesday morning in rain, snow or warm sunshine.

You will be missed!



Life Choices Student Ambassadors
Our first official Student Ambassador Meet & Greet was held in July and we are **BLOWN** away with their hearts that are on **FIRE** for **our Lord** and **our Mission!** Our group of teens and pre-teens are ready to help us in promoting the **VALUE** of **LIFE** and leading the **YOUTH** into this next movement that “**ALL life created in HIS image**” is precious and a miracle! Please keep them in your prayers as they go out and spread **HIS** message! If you have any MS or HS students that may be interested in joining our alliance please contact Sue Williamson at sgalgano1113@gmail.com! **Youth on FIRE!**



Car Seat Brigade!

When we put out a call for much needed car seats, *the Lord answered!* As our motto always goes **GOD PROVIDES!**



We thank **YOU ALL** who donated and wanted to let you know you have shown the face of Christ! WooHoo Team LIFE!



One of our littles will be very happy cooking dinner!
Thank **YOU McCoy Family, St. Francis Parishioners.**



DONATIONS GALORE!

LCRC is so beyond blessed for the many donations we receive daily!
WE couldn't do the work we do without you! **YOU** are a part of this beautiful family that God has allowed us to bring together serving **HIS** babies & families.
THANK YOU!

“for God loveth a cheerful giver.”

- 2 Corinthians 9:7





LIFE CHOICES RESOURCE CENTER

October 22, 2022

Merrill Park @ the Gazebo

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. • Kick-Off @ 9 a.m. SHARP

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Take a WALK...Help Save Lives!

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Refreshments, Music & FUN

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No walking distance required!



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of \$25,000

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Yes! I'd like to Support the Walk for Life!

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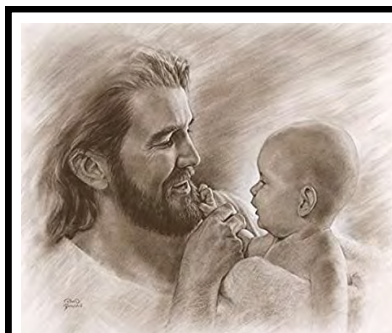
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*"Thou thyself, Oh
Lord lone...givest
life to all these
things."*

-Nehemiah 9:6

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RESOURCE CENTER

Join US!
Walk for LIFE!



Oct. 22, 2022

9am-12pm
Iselin, Merrill Park
(see insert)

Meet our Nurse Medical Advisor...

In late 2019, **Judy Baldwin, RN** read a *Life Choices* ad in *The Catholic Spirit* newspaper. *Life Choices Resource Center* was looking for a volunteer nurse. After praying on it, she thought it just might be the perfect fit for her. Having spent more than 40 years working as a nurse in the emergency room and then in occupational health, Judy was looking forward to her retirement and the opportunity it created to continue her life's mission of caring for others.

"I've always prayed for the little babies," Judy recalls. "They're like the Holy Innocents. When I saw the ad, I thought maybe this was a way I could help them too."

Upon answering the ad, Judy met with the staff and immediately felt welcome and part of the team.

"When I met everyone at *Life Choices*, they were all so kind," she noted. "The people are just wonderful and enthusiastic. The place radiates with positive energy and joy."

Judy's work at *Life Choices Resource Center* is invaluable. From administering pregnancy tests and chaperoning ultrasound appointments, to providing clients with nutritional information and answering their questions, Judy quietly and compassionately helps women throughout their pregnancies and beyond.

"Everyone I've met, are such interesting and inspiring people," Judy reflects on her time spent getting to know the clients. "With each interaction, you get something from it. And, you hope you give them something in return too."

When Judy's not caring for women and their babies at *Life Choices*, she's at home caring for her pets and spending time with her family. An active member of St. Barts parish and the Columbiettes, Judy is always looking for more ways she can volunteer her time and her talents. While she prefers to stay in the background, Judy's always ready to lend a hand in any way she can.

"If I can help someone in some way, that's a good thing. It's good for me too."

Judy Baldwin, RN

