

"The souls of the children in your life are gifts, each of whom is meant to sanctify you in a particular way. My little sanctifiers are the artisans who change and mold me in all the ways God knows I need, and they are their father's and their siblings' artisans, too."

Leila Miller Catholic Author

Happy Mother's Day

PRO-LIFE NEWS

What can your spare change, checks and bills accomplish?

Here are four important things that your participation in the annual Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Campaign will do:

- Build a spirit of generosity in your home. Put your bottle in a prominent place in the house Get everyone involved!
- Fill an unmet need at a local pregnancy center.
 Most pro-life organizations run on shoe string budgets and get no government funding.
- Give hope to a woman facing an unplanned pregnancy. The words, "We can help" can change lives.
- Save the life of an unborn baby at risk of being aborted. By filling a bottle, you are funding a future!

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THINGS!

Upcoming Events |

Sunday, May 12

Mother's Day
Knights of Columbus
Baby Bottle Campaign
Kick-Off
Pick up bottles
after all Masses.

Sunday, June 16

Father's Day
A Celebration of Fathers
1 PM - 3 PM
Cooper River Park

So you'll be home in time for the US Open, family barbeque and whatever else you have planned!

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A "Win - Win" for LIFE!

It was a winning event for parishioner, Emelita Suarez, the lucky ticket holder for our parish Pro-Life raffle. It was also a winning outcome for those who will benefit from the proceeds of this fundraiser. Thank you to all who participated. An extraordinary \$462 was raised, a significant portion of which will be used to obtain pro-life materials for our Pro Life Youth Presentations. Special thanks to Barbara Kohler for crafting and donating her beautiful needlepoint.



Business was brisk after Mass with parishioners eager to try their luck at winning.



Grand Knight Lou DiLoreto knows how to get people's attention for the drawing.



Special thanks to Andrew for helping Apostolate member, Monica Lenthe, to sell tickets at our parish breakfast.



Emelita Suarez (left), the winning ticket holder, receives her prize from Apostolate member Barbara Coscarello.

Meet Matt Davis

There's a new face and renewed commitment at the diocesan level to promoting a culture of life in South





B i s h o p Sullivan has recently appointed Matt Davis to the position of Director, Office of Life

& Justice for the Diocese of Camden.

Matt is very anxious to meet with pro life advocates throughout our area to introduce himself, to talk about his role at the Diocese, and to hear from South Jersey pro-lifers about pro-life activities and initiatives that are important to all of us.

To this end, a meeting is planned for **Thursday, May 16.** Time to be determined (either 10 AM or 6:30 PM). Mater Ecclesiae is hosting this meeting. All are welcome!

Anyone who is interested in attending should contact Tracye at 856-816-4907 or by email:

mc9oak@comcast.net

Meet Melanie Stubee

There are many "unsung heroes" in the pro-life field. And South Jersey certainly has its share. People with



busy lives, family and work responsibilities, yet are wiling to open their hearts and use their time, talents, treasure and energy to ensure

that ALL unborn children have the opportunity to come into this world and fulfill their life's purpose chosen by God.

Melanie Stubee is such a person. Committed to helping parishes throughout the Diocese, especially in the shore area, establish a prolife group, Melanie has assembled a core volunteer team who have put together a turn-key, step by step "how to" guide for setting up a prolife apostolate with easy to implement start-up activities and resource information.

Anyone interested in setting up or re-activating a pro-life group in their parish can contact Melanie at:

melanie14@comcast.net

JOIN THE FUN!

FATHERS & FAMILIES

A special celebration on Father's Day

Games, Prizes, Food, Funwalk (Rain or shine!)



- FATHER'S DAY (JUNE 16, 2019)
- Cooper River Park (Pennsauken, NJ)
- (1:00 PM 3:00 PM
- \$ \$10 per Family
- Dress code: SLOPPY (you may get dirty from egg toss or tug-of-war contests!)

All fathers and kids of all ages welcome - moms too! Bring signs in support of Dads!

QUESTIONS?

Contact Bill McCusker: info@fathersfamilies.com









