

PRO-LIFE NEWS



"It's popular today to talk about tolerance, acceptance and love.

But abortion denies all three.

*Tolerance must begin with life.
Acceptance must begin with life.
Love must begin with life."*

**Lila Rose
Live Action**

Bringing the miracle of life to area youth

The Mater Ecclesiae Pro-Life Apostolate will once again offer **free** programs for young people (ages 7 & up) through religious education classes, high schools and youth groups around the Diocese.

The 30 minute, age-appropriate presentations help youth to cultivate an appreciation for the value of all human life, to form an understanding of the developing fetus in the womb and to articulate a pro-life position with confidence and accuracy.

Over 400 students have already participated in these programs, giving them an overwhelming "thumbs up". (See below.)

If you know of any groups that may be interested, contact Tracye at 856-770-8488 or email her at mc9oak@comcast.net



Upcoming Events

Sept 26 - Nov 4

*40 Days for Life Campaign
SignUps in St Martha Room
See Page 4*

Thursday, October 27

*Good Counsel Homes / St
Annual Banquet
The Merion, Cinnaminson
DETAILS SOON!*

Here's what some have said about our pro-life youth program:

- *"We were not just told to be pro-life; we were shown how."*
- *"The presentation was great. I wish it could have been longer."*
- *"Thought provoking and keeps the kids' attention." (Adult Leader)*



Are you, or someone you know, hurting from the emotional or spiritual wounds of abortion?

Whether your abortion was recent or decades ago, RACHEL'S VINEYARD can help. These weekend retreats are a safe place to renew and redeem hearts broken by abortion.

They offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women (and men) can express, release and reconcile post abortion emotions to begin the process of renewal and healing. ANYONE touched by abortion - grandparents, siblings, etc. - will find help.

The two retreats listed (**right**) are both Catholic programs (although all are welcome) and offer the Sacrament of Penance as part of the weekend schedule.

All night Eucharistic Adoration, open to the public, is offered in the chapel above the retreat program in Doylestown. To sign up for an hour of adoration, contact Marybeth at 612-385-0743 or marybetht@ymail.com

"For 18 years I have had guilt that would not go away, tormented by thoughts of what my son would have been like. Participating in Rachel's Vineyard has enabled God to put peace in my mind, cleaning my heart and washing my fault."

Upcoming Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

Location: Nat'l Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa - Ave Maria Retreat House, 654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA 18901

Contact: Evelyn

215-317-5752

evelynwalsh59@gmail.com

Date: Friday October 12 to
Sunday, October 14

Cost: Call to discuss what you can afford. Scholarships available.

Location: Villa Maria Spiritual Center, 1140 King Road, Malvern, PA

Contact: Priscilla O'Connor

215-906-6337

PriscillaOConnor2@gmail.com

OR

Lauren

215-720-5828

lklovesync@gmail.com

Date: Friday, October 12 to
Sunday, October 14

Cost: \$160 covers room, food, all costs. Scholarships available. No one is turned away.



Good Counsel Homes/South Jersey Recipient of Donations from Baby Bottle Campaign



Grand Knight Lou DiLoreto presents staff and residents of Good Counsel Homes/South Jersey in Riverside with a check representing donations made by parishioners through the annual K of C Baby Bottle Campaign.

Mark your calendars for Good Counsel's annual Banquet to be held on Thursday, October 25, at The Merion in Cinnaminson. Details to follow.



The garden at Good Counsel Homes/SJ is dotted with rocks that moms have hand-painted with the names and birth dates of their children.

**Boscov's 25% Off All Day Shopping Pass
Tuesday October 16**

\$5.00

All proceeds benefit
Helpers of God's Precious Infants/NJ
a resource center for pregnant & parenting families
and their babies

**See Members of the Mater Ecclesiae Pro-Life Apostolate
to purchase your Pass**



September 26 - November 4
40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

HELP SAVE LIVES IN SOUTH JERSEY!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 22 coordinated campaigns:

- **14,643 babies** saved from abortion
- **177 abortion workers** converted
- **96 abortion centers** closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

- **Vigil location:** Outside Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 N Kings Hwy, Cherry Hill, NJ
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Claire Howson
Claire@helpersnj.org/856-313-9861
- **Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up** for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

40daysforlife.com/cherryhill

*Mater Ecclesiae parishioners will attempt to cover the **11 am to noon** hour each **Saturday** of the campaign. Please join us - even if for just **ONE HOUR, ONE TIME** - by signing up in the St Martha Room.*