"RESPECT FOR LIFE" RESOURCES

Post Abortion Healing

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a safe place to renew, rebuild, and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Healing Weekends offer a supportive, confidential and non-Judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions and find healing after abortion.

Respect Life Office 973-497-4350 (All calls will be kept confidential)

www.rachelsvineyard.org

Infertility

The National Gianna Center for Women's Health and

Fertility™ provides general gynecological care, prenatal care, natural family planning education, and infertility services – all with a deep commitment to honoring a woman's dignity and the sanctity of human life. The Gianna Center is committed to providing medical care that is consistent with the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Healthcare Services.

The Catholic Healthcare Center for Women 222 Easton Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901 732-565-5490

www.saintpetershcs.com/giannacenter

Hospice Care

The Center for Hope Hospice & Palliative Care provides

compassionate and professional skilled care that eases the burdens associated with a terminal illness.

Peggy Coloney's House Father Hudson House

At Hope Village Hospice Residence 1900 Raritan Road 111 Dehart Place

Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076 Elizabeth, N.J. 07202

908-889-7780 908-889-7780

www.centerforhope.com

Neonatal Palliative Care

Circle of Life Children's Center provides: 1) Pediatric Palliative Care Consultation Services providing state of the art services to parents, pediatricians and pediatric sub-specialists; 2) Neonatal palliative care and end-of-life services for newborns with life-limiting medical conditions and for expectant families faced with a devastating prenatal diagnosis; 3) Develops partnerships with community home health and home hospice programs to provide consultation services to home care providers for expertise in palliative and comfort care measures to ensure optimal quality of life for seriously ill children; and 4) provides educational programs and clinical experiences for pediatric healthcare professionals in the areas of neonatal and pediatric palliative care.

Circle of Life Children's Center, Inc. 274 South Orange Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07103

Housing Assistance during a pregnancy

Several Sources Shelter's mission is through God's Grace to save babies' lives and shelter their young mothers while providing education and ongoing compassionate support services; to educate young people to make healthy life choices; and to shelter women who are homeless, sick and elderly restoring their dignity.

Several Sources Shelters P.O. Box 157 Ramsey, NJ 07446 201-825-7277

www.severalsources.net

Good Counsel Homes is a nationally recognized nonprofit leader and innovator in creating supportive residential care and community-based services for homeless, expectant, and new mothers and their children in the context of the Catholic social tradition. With headquarters in Hoboken New Jersey, where Good Counsel was founded, Good Counsel today operates four homes in the Bronx, Harrison, Spring Valley and Staten Island, New York. Good Counsel also conducts a post-abortion ministry and referral network called Lumina and operates a national Helpline for new and expectant mothers.

www.goodcounselhomes.org

Catholic Community Services

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark 590 North 7th Street Newark, NJ 07107 www.ccannj.com

Other Resources

Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network is a 501(c)(3) non-profit group dedicated to helping persons with disabilities and the incapacitated who are in or potentially facing life-threatening situations. Incorporated in 2001 to fight for the life of Terri Schindler Schiavo, the focus of Terri's Life & Hope Network now and in the future is to help others avoid tragedies that reflect what Terri endured.

Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network P.O. Box 521

Narberth, PA 19072

Phone: 1.855.300.HOPE (4673)

Email: info@lifeandhope.com

www.lifeandhope.com

Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark has as its mission to promote the Catholic Church's teaching on the respect, care and protection of human life from conception to natural death. It does this by providing clear explanations of the Church's teaching on human sexuality and human life issues.

973-497-4350

www.rcan.org/life

The National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) established in 1972, conducts research, consultation, publishing and education to promote human dignity in health care and the life sciences, and derives its

message directly from the teachings of the Catholic Church. The results of this research are available through this website and our various educational and publishing activities, workshops and seminars.

www.ncbcenter.org

LIFENET is a non-profit educational organization reaching New Jersey communities with the facts about the humanity of the unborn child, abortion and other bio-ethical issues. 973-509-8123

www.lifeneteducation.org

Priests for Life represents a family of ministries that reach and enrich every aspect of the pro-life movement, for clergy and laity alike, in a wide variety of activities.

www.priestsforlife.org

Sisters of Life represents a family of ministries that reach and enrich every aspect of the pro-life movement in a wide variety of activities.

Sistersoflife.org

Abortion Alternatives and Crisis Pregnancy Centers – A list of Centers can be found on the New Jersey Right to Life website (www.NJRTL.org/crisis)

ADVANCE DIRECTIVES FOR HEALTH CARE

Documents which provide guidance when a person is no longer able to make health care decisions are called "advance directives." It is

recommended that those completing an advance directive also appoint health care representative(s) who is/are trusted and authorized to evaluate what the patient would want and to make those health care decisions. The Catechism of the Catholic Church provides clear guidance on end of life issues. The New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC) of Bishops has an "Advance Directives for Health Care" form which reflects the Catholic perspective. A copy can be downloaded from the NJCC website:

<u>www.njcathconf.com</u> (Click on Respect Life Tab and then Living Will (Advance Directives for Health Care)). The forms are also available in Spanish.

END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS

A Catholic Guide to End-of-Life Decisions is a resource made available by the National Catholic Bioethics Center. This document provides a clear explanation of the Church's teaching on end-of-life care, including advance directives and physician assisted suicide. Individual copies of this guide can be ordered online at www.ncbcenter.org (Click on the Publication Tab, then click on End-of-Life Guide).