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CNY PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

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Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Helen Keller



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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND GENEROUS DONORS WHO RESPECT LIFE:

Blessed Sacrament Sacred Heart Food Pantry Pope John XXIII Church St. Mary/Augustine Church St. Daniel Church St. Elizabeth Ann Seton St. Mary's Connections St. Mary of the Lake St. Matthew/St. Mary and St. Francis Community St. Michael/St. Peter **Church and Youth Transfiguration Church** Word of Life Assembly of God **Faith Chapel Church** Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians - Mary F.

All knitters, crocheters and quilters incl. Elibridge Community Church Pat S. Patsy D. Karen P.

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And all those who fill our emergency needs-

You know who you are; we are truly grateful.

Pat D.

Connie M.

Birthright participated in community outreach events in 2024 to benefit pregnant women and mothers in CNY:

First Annual Community Baby Shower sponsored by Healthy Families NY at Salt Space Black Box Theater, 103 Syracuse on September 6. It was an opportunity for pregnant women and their partners, as well as new parents, to get connected to valuable local resources focusing on providing resources and educating families about pregnancy, birth, and parenthood.

Birthright was one of many tables set up providing information from many community health professionals and human service providers. Door prizes were provided by vendors including Birthright. We also provided personal care kits for newborns and new moms. This will be an annual outreach event for CNY families.



2024 Catholic Women's Conference at the On-Center on October 26. More than 600 women, mothers and grandmothers attended a very informative day - One grandmother found the perfect hand-crocheted blanket and christening outfit at our table! Congratulations to the winners of hand-made baby quilts and blankets donated by local quilters and knitters.



BIRTHRIGHT IS:

A Resource Center to rescue and revive women during and after pregnancy – a caring place without judgment or cost.

OUR MISSION is to offer support, necessities, options and information to local women so they can make positive and informed decisions for the best health and wellness for themselves and their families – for new beginnings with hope.

- We can be reached 24/7 at our local office 315 479-5807 and at the Onondaga County Help Line @ 211.
- Resources focused on relieving family stress and on mothers' and families' overall health and well-being.
- We give immediate support for pregnant women before birth by offering free pregnancy tests, sonograms, personal care products, clothing and outerwear and referrals for other necessities medical, dental and mental health care, immediate and safe housing, meals and food and much more.



PRAYER FOR MOTHERS AND THE UNBORN

We pray to save and protect our helpless little ones, who are gifts of life to families and our country.

Touch the hearts of women who do not think of motherhood. Dispel all fear and selfishness and give women courage and true hearts to give their unborn all the love and every advantage needed to live and enjoy life.

Give our leaders wisdom to recognize and support life from conception into eternity.

Amen.

BIRTHRIGHT IS A KEY PREGNANCY CARE RESOURCE

As part of its "Working with Moms in Need" initiative, the Respect Life Office of the Syracuse Catholic Diocese has recognized Birthright as a recommended pregnancy care center in our community. The U.S. Catholic Bishops have called upon local parishes to bear witness to the beauty and dignity of human life by assisting women in their communities through encouragement and providing basic life necessities. Birthright volunteers fulfill this important mission. We are grateful to all participating parishes, contributing organizations and individuals.

In Living Memory of \vee a Life Richly Lived and a Heart So Deeply Loved, especially at this time of year:

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and all others in our hearts and our circle of family and friends...We remember.



A special thanks to all volunteers and Board Members for the consistent generosity of time, energy and creativity – True charity in motion.

It is our hope that we all will someday know the effects of our ministry and our rewards in Heaven.



Syracuse continues to be one of the poorest cities in the U.S. ranking second in the U.S. for child poverty @ 45.8%. (The national level is 12.4%.) The poverty threshold for



a family of four to meet minimum needs is \$25,700.

BABY TALES

Just a few short stories of those we gladly serve:

A mother of two was on her way to the Salvation Army Shelter for the second time. Her apartment was no longer livable and she had lost all children's clothes. We provided clothing, blankets, personal care and our resources sheets for food, etc.

A grandmother had applied for custody of a 3-day old baby. She had nothing at all so we provided a newborn layette with snowsuit as well as a special formula and other items she requested for this newborn.

A pregnant woman expecting her first child came to us – Her preemie was under 2 lbs. at birth. She needed everything including preemie outfits, snowsuit to bring her child home. We provided a layette as well as "What to Expect the first Year" for this new mom.

A couple from Afghanistan were expecting their first child soon. They were very excited, and they gratefully accepted a gift layette, with handmade quilt and baby toys.

A pregnant woman with one other child took two buses to visit us. She was very grateful for two full bags - a complete boy layette and winter clothes, coat, hat and mittens for her 3-year-old. Her bags were heavy so we made sure she got home safely.

A mother with a special-needs child called for Pediasure, a special nutritious balanced drink (like formula) for toddlers – she was almost out and the child could not tolerate most food. We made an appointment for the next day and this mom picked up a supply of Pediasure.

A young couple saw our Wish List in the Catholic Sun and went shopping. They donated every type of baby goods filling our entire office. What a blessing to Birthright and an awesome example of charity in action for their children. Thank you and God bless.



OUR CHRISTMAS CORNER

You can help to make happy holidays and to benefit families in need – call us (315 479-5807) or stop in to see pro-life Christmas ornaments - for a donation of only \$5 each or 3 for \$10.







We have <u>many different and beautiful ornaments</u> <u>to choose from</u> - each with a precious message on the back to give as gifts or for your own tree!

2025 RIGHT TO LIFE CALENDARS

For any donation, you can have a R T L 2025 Calendar.....Call us @ 315 479-5807.

