



Geauga County Catholic Pro-Life Coalition | H.E.L.P.

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Dear Mary,

We're writing to you in an effort to share our hopes and dreams and to gain your help and support in implementing the USCCB program, Walking with Moms in Need (WWMIN). This program will be managed under the care and direction of the Geauga County Catholic Pro-life Coalition (H.E.L.P.), in consultation with the Office of Human Life. We are extremely excited to move forward with the implementation of this program, making a difference in the lives of pregnant and parenting women in need.

Our path forward is listed below. We are fortunate as we already have an incredible list of resources found within our Pregnancy Resource Guide. Our plan is to expand our loving care for pregnant and parenting women by unifying all of the coalition churches to work as one to connect the pregnant and parenting women in need with the appropriate resources they need. We are going beyond handing out informational pamphlets. Our main focus will be to put together a core team of volunteers who will walk side-by-side with each mom in need, making sure she feels safe, loved and cared for.

Action Item 1-- Meet with coalition priests to educate them on WWMIN and request their support in their parish.

Action Item 2-- Present WWMIN program to each coalition church and identify volunteers from each parish.

Action Item 3—Develop and scrutinize resource and referral materials, validating each referral service.

Action Item 4—Train volunteers on referral services and how to walk with each mother in need.

Action Item 5—Set up volunteer on-call phone schedules.

Action Item 6—Advertise program in bulletins, websites, presentations, handouts to laity, etc.

Action Item 7—Complete the setup of the helpline phone, test it and go live.

Mary, we ask for your prayers, help and support as we move forward with the implementation of the WWMIN program, whose goal is to make a difference in the lives of pregnant and parenting women in need. We invite you to our next coalition meeting being held on August 17, 2024 at St. Mary Chardon at 9am. Your insights would be appreciated.

Sincerely in Christ,

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