



## JACK'S JOURNAL FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear friends and benefactors,

It's instructive to reflect that World War II erupted just 80 short years ago. Throughout the war, fear was very visible and palpable. It was a terrifying time.

Today we face a more insidious threat – invisible, an atrocity whose significance has yet to register. One that has invaded not only Europe but that is entrenched throughout the world and is devouring us here at home – the threat of godlessness and a complete disregard for God's laws.

God saved this nation and the rest of the world from Hitler. We were so thankful to Him at that time. But like the ancient Israelites, we soon forgot God and how He had saved us. We started buying into subtle untruths that mushroomed into full-bore evil.

Manifesting our ingratitude and depravity, less than 25 years after the end of WWII, most Catholics demanded that Pope Paul VI declare acceptable the practice of contraception. As the pressure grew both inside and outside the Church, the Pope attributed the guidance he received to uphold Church teaching to the Holy Spirit. I wonder what kind of shape our Church would be in today had its laity embraced *Humanae Vitae* and its priests supported it more vocally.

MOTHER AND UNBORN BABY CARE represents respect for God's laws – not

only the commitment to saving the most defenseless, but encouraging their mothers on God's way to honor and respect their sexuality.

Our work is truly God's work. We celebrate His Divine Providence and Grace to be of one mind with Christ. MAUBC is truly countercultural.



*After 20-plus years of dedicated service, Julianna Mannino recently retired from the MAUBC Board.*

An outstanding example of one modern day counter-culturist is our own Julianna Mannino. After volunteering with MAUBC for more than 20 years, most recently as our Board Vice President, she decided it was time to step down.

We most gratefully acknowledge the difference she has made in her two decades of dedicated service. Julianna started MAUBC's ultrasound program with the assistance of our beloved

friend, Mike Stack, and became its first sonographer. She counseled clients and collected numerous children's books and handmade baby blankets. Now, in her "full" retirement, she will enjoy more time with her husband, Sam, their eleven children, twenty grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We will miss her gracious, thoughtful presence and wish her all the best.

Our Fall for Life 2018 Banquet will be held Thursday, Nov. 15 at the San Marino Club in Troy. There, we will feature another strongly countercultural warrior, Mrs. Christina Marchetti, who will speak at the event. As most of you know, our Director of Client Services is a very accomplished and dedicated speaker. She will share her first-hand experience in saving mothers and their babies since she joined us two years ago.

Another important event meriting your attention is set for Monday, Oct. 1. We will be celebrating the annual Mass of the Unborn, graciously hosted by Church of the Transfiguration at 25225 Code Road in Southfield. There will be a Holy Hour at 7 p.m. and Mass at 8, followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

Thank you again for all your wonderful support. I look forward to seeing you at these events and hope you will join us.

Jack McGrath

## NANCY'S NOTES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Summer is a season of growth, and that is certainly the case at Mother and Unborn Baby Care. One area of growth is within the MAUBC family – please see Christina's column for some exciting news!

We've also launched a promising new method of online advertising to reach more young women in crisis who are seeking abortion information and abortion clinic appointments using today's technology. There is precious little time to connect with them before it's too late to provide life-affirming options for them and their unborn child.



*A new mother visits for clothes and supplies for her baby girl.*

We are in the initial phase and would greatly appreciate your prayers that it will prove effective in saving more lives!

Speaking of prayer, the foundation of our ministry – if you would be available to pray in our beautiful chapel for any length of time on a weekday from 10-5, please let us know, or just stop by! You can pray for the clients scheduled that day and those who need to find us.

Our work at MAUBC would not be possible without the support and helping hands of so many kind individuals, churches, Knights of Columbus councils and other groups.



*Genesis The Church volunteers did a big fall cleanup, assisted in our baby boutique, and learned about our work to save lives.*

Applause goes to the hard-working Genesis The Church volunteers who chose us for their community service project. Your efforts made a big difference to the welcoming environment of our center.

A huge shout-out also to the Divine Child Student Council for their Charity Week activities that raised \$1,651 to help MAUBC continue saving lives.

Do you shop at Kroger? Thanks to the 29 families who raise funds for MAUBC. To sign up, please visit [Kroger.com](http://Kroger.com) to enroll in the Community Rewards program. Our new organization number is VQ634.



*Ultrasound tech Marion Sioma cuddles a newborn.*



*Divine Child High School raised \$1,651 and collected numerous baby items for our material assistance program.*

We hope you will celebrate with us at our Fall for Life Banquet, on Thursday, Nov. 15 at the San Marino Club! Have you ever wanted to know more about how our program works to change hearts and minds toward life? Our speaker will be MAUBC's Director of Client Services, Christina Marchetti. She looks forward to sharing the challenges as well as the uplifting stories that happen within our walls through your support.

You can purchase tickets or sponsor a table online at [www.maubc.org](http://www.maubc.org) or by calling me at 248.559.7576.

Thank you for the many ways you surround MAUBC with prayer, volunteer support and financial and material donations so that we are well-prepared to meet our clients' needs!

Nancy Peterson

### Leave a Legacy for Life



Did you know: Planned giving can save precious lives well into the future while providing tax benefits now. Call MAUBC at (248) 559-7576 or visit [maubc.org](http://maubc.org).



## CHRISTINA'S CORNER DIRECTOR OF CLIENT SERVICES

As we approach the fall season, we are proud to look back on the year so far and are excited to think about what the next few months will bring. The work that we do comes with many ups and downs, and it is important as staff, volunteers and supporters that we take time to reflect on the fruits of our labor.



*Thank you for allowing us to help mothers overcome obstacles and choose life.*

Through August, we have confirmed that 80 moms who came through the Problem Pregnancy Center being abortion-minded or vulnerable have made it to their third trimester (or have given birth) and have chosen life for their babies!

So far in 2018, we have seen 372 clients at our center, performed 263 ultrasound scans, and 84% of our clients were considering abortion when they came to us. The rest were abortion-vulnerable.

We are constantly looking for new ways to improve how we reach out to abortion-minded women. Our efforts to have "abortion shoppers" find us online instead of the local abortion clinics have been a challenge, but we have found promise in a recent digital campaign. Please pray for the success of this campaign.

As God works through our ministry, lives are being saved every week. We recently received the following message from a client who was planning on having an abortion:

*"I've been meaning to call you. I did not have an abortion, and I am now 32 weeks with a healthy baby girl. I can't wait for her to be here so that I can love all over her. Thank you so much for everything. If I hadn't come into your office that day, I don't know how this would have turned out. Thank you for your encouraging works and for encouraging me to make the best decision for me and my baby!"*

Without the generous support from donors like you, none of this work would be possible!



*Guess who has baby news!*

On a personal note, I am excited to share that my husband, Mike, and I are expecting our first baby at the end of January. It has been an incredible experience to minister to pregnant moms while carrying a child myself. I plan to continue working for Mother and Unborn Baby Care as Director of Client Services, and I look forward to relating to our clients even more as a new mother.



*Your generosity blesses so many beautiful families. This mom chose life and her baby is due around Christmas.*

In all things, we continue to rely on the Holy Spirit for guidance and protection. Please continue to keep our ministry in your prayers.

As the speaker for this year's Fall for Life Banquet, I look forward to sharing much more with you!

Christina Marchetti

P.S. For more recent stories and updates, please visit our Facebook and Instagram pages!



Mother and Unborn Baby Care is a non-profit organization located in Southfield, Mich., that is dedicated to protecting mothers and babies from abortion. Since 1984, MAUBC has assisted more than 29,000 women in crisis pregnancies through Christ-centered peer counseling, ultrasound and material support. **To learn more, visit [www.maubc.org](http://www.maubc.org).**

Mother and Unborn Baby Care

# Fall for Life

## 2018 Banquet

Silent and Live Auctions  
6 pm- Cocktails  
7 pm- Dinner

Thursday, Nov. 15, 2018  
San Marino Club, Troy

Tickets: \$75 (\$80 at the door) Contact: 248.559.7576 or [www.maubc.org](http://www.maubc.org)



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