



JACK'S JOURNAL FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear friends and benefactors,

Fall greetings! Along with the change of seasons, change abounds at Mother and Unborn Baby Care. You may have heard that this summer Jeff Thiede left the organization to pursue other opportunities. Jeff had a great heart for the unborn. We wish him success in his new endeavors and thank him for his heartfelt service and many accomplishments.

I'd like to introduce you to our new Executive Director, Nancy Peterson, who recently came to us through her volunteer experience promoting local 40 Days for Life campaigns. Nancy has had many years of experience with the Michigan Humane Society. Currently, she coordinates prayer vigils outside Planned Parenthood in Ferndale.

Her top priority, among several, is setting up a new website to provide you with convenient resources including MAUBC news, and links enabling online donations and event ticket purchases.

Having kept our lifesaving programs running smoothly these past several months, Christina Marchetti is focused on finding ways to increase MAUBC's outreach to more and more

abortion-minded mothers. Christina is an accomplished speaker for the unborn and is invited frequently to address high school and college students and parishes. She provides expert assistance to mothers in the hope that they will choose life for their babies.



Many of you share in mourning our recent loss of Theresa Wangler ("Mama Wangs"), a loving and dedicated volunteer. Theresa came to us one year ago and was such a willing worker and donor of services, one of which was hosting her famous tailgating parties before U of M football games. Her embodiment of joy and unmatched hospitality inspired everyone and lives on.

The original date for our annual November Dinner Dance and Auction came into head-to-head conflict with an opportunity for all

metro Detroiters to celebrate a once-in-a-lifetime experience: Venerable Solanus Casey's beatification at Ford Field. So we decided to forego holding it this year. In its place, we decided to reach out -- this year only -- to our loyal supporters in the form of a Fall Appeal, which you received by mail a short while ago. Our fall event usually raises \$30,000. We hope you will give this appeal serious consideration. Our sincere thanks to those who have already generously responded.

We are looking forward to our Spring 2018 Banquet at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia on Thursday, April 19. One generous donor has arranged for the pro-life champion of them all -- Fr. Frank Pavone -- to join us for what should be a most enlightening and inspiring night.

We honor Our Lady of Fatima on the recent 100th anniversary of her apparition, in thanksgiving for our great supporters and beg for her continued blessings and guidance. May God continue to bless you.

Yours in Christ,
Jack McGrath

NANCY'S NOTES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Hello! My name is Nancy Peterson.

In late September, I was honored to join the incredibly compassionate and dedicated team of staff and volunteers at Mother and Unborn Baby Care.

A cradle-Catholic, I grew up in metro Detroit. My husband, Craig, and I are parishioners at Guardian Angels in Clawson and just celebrated our 16th anniversary.

While we were never blessed with children, we are fortunate to have six adorable nieces and nephews.

Prior to MAUBC, I managed communications, marketing projects and telethon planning for the state's largest animal welfare organization, a nonprofit which assists thousands of homeless pets annually.

Outside of work, I became actively involved in promoting modern natural family planning and in local pro-life events. Two years ago, I began to coordinate the twice-yearly 40 Days for Life prayer vigils in Ferndale, outside of Planned Parenthood. It was through the 40 Days for Life planning meetings that I was introduced to the wonderful work of MAUBC.

It's been exciting to jump into several projects right away, such as planning the new MAUBC website, which is slated to launch around Thanksgiving, planning the Spring 2018 Banquet, and learning from everyone involved in this lifesaving mission.

From day one, it was clear that God had led me to a special organization. Thank you for welcoming me into the MAUBC family! You can reach me at 248.559.7576 or nancy@maubc.org.

Blessings!

Nancy Peterson



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MASS FOR THE UNBORN

Our heartfelt thanks to the Church of the Transfiguration in Southfield, the Project Life Committee and Bob Paige from the Spiritual Adoption program, for hosting the Mass for the Unborn on Monday, Oct. 2, as well as to all those who brought donations for MAUBC.

You raised nearly \$1,200 for our mission along with filling a crib with items to assist our clients and their babies!

Mother and Unborn Baby Care is dedicated to preventing abortions by helping mothers to continue their pregnancies through Christ-centered peer counseling which is persuasive and informative but sensitive to their emotional and material needs.

MAUBC is a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization. Since 1984.

CHRISTINA'S CORNER DIRECTOR OF CLIENT SERVICES

Before we start our day, our staff and volunteers pray, asking that the Holy Spirit would guide our words and actions and that God would use the ultrasound to reveal the humanity of the unborn. Often, He does this in unexpected ways.

On a typical afternoon at the center, coloring books were sprawled across the waiting room floor as our counselors stepped over Lego blocks and crackers to make their way to the counseling room. A mother came for an appointment and brought four of her kids along. While they played, she sat across from a peer counselor learning about the different abortion procedures and the risks of aborting her unborn child. She had experienced an abortion when she was 16 years old and was now contemplating having a second one. Her mom had forced her to have the first abortion,

but now she was feeling like abortion was the best solution to her problem. She had six kids under the age of 13 and was being pulled in so many directions.

Like most of the mothers that come to our center, she had minimal family support, and her finances were stretched to care for all of her children. Abortion felt like her only option. The ultrasound tech began the scan anticipating the gestational sac that we typically see. However, there was not one but two sacs on the screen! There before her eyes were her 7-week-old twins. She could not believe what she was seeing as she exclaimed, "I can't abort two babies!" Suddenly, the thought of aborting twins made her understand the humanity and value of her unborn children.



Two lives: twice the blessings!

This is just one of many life-changing moments we've experienced that reveal God's faithfulness to us. We ask our supporters to keep this mom and all of the women in our program in their prayers. Through Him all things are possible.

For life,

Christina Marchetti

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2017 Fall Appeal

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A photograph of a baby lying on a bed of autumn leaves. The baby is wearing a light-colored sweater and dark pants, and is holding a red leaf in their hand. The background is a warm, orange-toned bokeh of autumn leaves.



SAVE THE DATE

Spring 2018 Banquet Thursday, April 19

St. Mary's Cultural Center, Livonia



FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST:
Fr. Frank Pavone
National Director of Priests for Life

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