

## MoM/HC Pro-life Meeting

5/2/22

7 PM

Attendance: Angela Schmollinger, Deacon Dennis, Deb Waldera, Wayne Waldera, Shirley Gerlach, Pat Loehlein, Barbara Grundmann, Dann Grundmann, John Gould, Tom Dunne, Naomi Rath, Mary Ksiazek, Mark Geis, Mari Geis, Don Parker (Zoom), Ryn Cravillion (Zoom), Jennifer Meyer (Options for Women East)

### Opening Pray - Prayer for Life

### Legislative Huddle with Don Parker

- Georgia and Alabama cannot find any abortionists
- State Senate passed a crime bill - strengthened old law in MN called Unborn Victims of Violence act - if pregnant woman is assaulted and her unborn child is hurt or killed, it is a crime against 2 victims rather than 1.
  - Punishments were enhanced
  - House did not pass this in their crime bill, but we have hope that at least some of the bill will survive
- House is about to do its work on pro-life provisions - tomorrow, May 3rd, the House will be bringing up the health and human services provision - we will be trying to amend 2 prolife amendments - amendment A26, if passed, would cut some funding to abortion facilities - Also A13 amendment - would license abortion facilities
  - Opposition will try to shut it down - will say that it is not germane (related to underlying bill)
  - MCCL has given bill author several talking points to help argue why the amendment IS germane
  - Information on Amendments have been forwarded by Angela Schmollinger to Pro-Life committee members via email.
- Supreme Court considering Dobbs case - Politico article came out with first opinion drafted by Supreme Court members which would overturn Roe - either very good misinformation example OR someone leaked it. Article says that opinion shows 5 Justices would vote to overturn Roe completely, not partially.
- MCCL Mother's Day Flower sale is going on this coming weekend.
  - Need to confirm when the wholesalers are dropping off plants for Mother's Day sale.

### Previous events recap

- Holy Childhood bake sale raised about \$600
- 40 Days for Life - went well - consistent attendance

### Upcoming Events

- May Crowning - May 4th
  - Speaker - hopefully we'll be able to have it recorded

- Rosary
- Flowers for kids to carry
- Possible trek to rosary garden
- Packets for rosaries
- People should bring perennials if they can to be planted in the garden
- Bulletin announcement

#### Mother's Day Flower Sale / Diaper Drive

- 60 roses, 60 carnations, 18 African Violets, 30 Begonias, 20 Orchid Corsages
- Friday night assembly party - 6pm
- We will touch base with Judy at HC to find out how we will ensure they get the material they need for the flower sale
- Rich Loehlein & Tom Dunne will pickup and deliver diaper donations
  - Donations will go to Abria, WLCC, Philomena, & (potentially) Options for Women East

#### Father's Day Brunch - Enhanced Coffee/Donuts Continental Breakfast

- Volunteers welcome
- Letter-writing campaign table
  - Francis Collins - Pres. Biden's science advisor - proclaimed pro-life Christian - reported using aborted baby parts in research - believes that because the deed is done, might as well make the best of it in research.

#### Options for Women East - Jennifer Meyer, Executive Director at Options for Women East

- Span from relationship to creation of family, and all of the support system surrounding mother and baby
- Mission has been in the community since January 22nd, 1990
- Currently set up as fully on clinic to give support throughout entire pregnancy
- Services
  - Pregnancy Tests
  - STI Testing and Treatment
  - Limited Ultrasound
  - Education/FEMM
  - Material Supplies
  - Outreach
  - Abortion Pill Reversal
  - Full Prenatal Care
    - Doctor/nurse appointments
    - Labs/tests
    - Anatomy scan
    - Nutrition
    - Breastfeeding
    - Diabetes counseling
    - Home visits

- Group classes
  - Fatherhood group
- Clinic Stats
  - Over 300 women served per year
  - Over 100 babies delivered
  - Over 1600 appointments in 2021
- Clinic Needs
  - Marketing dollars
  - Larger medical staff to grow the prenatal program
  - Volunteers
    - Board members
    - Radiologist
    - Nutritionist
    - Mental Health Specialist
    - Fundraising
  - Supplies
    - Diapers
    - Wipes
    - Newborn Sleepers
    - Bath Supplies
    - Health Kits
    - Bottles
    - Newborn-2T clothes
- World's Largest Diaper Drive - goes until May 8th - goal is to collect 2 million diapers
- NFP - Options for Women's East does FEM

USCCB - Thursday prayer session - continue praying!

Prenatal testing - 85% inaccurate - on whether health of baby is accurate - national news - people should not necessarily trust a prenatal test that that shows their baby has health issues.

Financials - we will get new updates next meeting

Next Meeting is June 6th, 7pm

Closing Prayer led by Deacon Dennis  
Final Blessing by Deacon Dennis