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A Prayer for the New Year

Give us the kindness to
hear with compassion,
to offer support,
loving comfort and care.

Give us the courage to do
what is needed, the wisdom to
choose what is right and fair.

Give us the vision to see
what is possible.

Give us the faith that will
help pave the way for a
present that is hopeful,
a future that is peaceful.

Give us a heart to bring joy
to each day.

This is an exciting time for all of us
involved in our ministry. We are
very close to completing our
medical conversion process and
soon we will be a Medical
Pregnancy Clinic. With the
addition of our ultra sound
machine, we will be able to
offer abortion minded mothers
a view of the child within their
womb, that they may have
“a vision to see what is possible”.
This is a journey that we take
hand-in-hand with you, our
partners, and it is a journey that
promises countless possibilities!

*It's beginning to look a lot like~
Auction!*

Yes indeed, we are up to our knees in planning our
Auction of the Angels.

*Save this date:
JUNE 19, 2010*

If you have ever been to one of our Auctions, you are well aware that it is a fun event. Us fun-luvin' pro lifers really know how to live our beliefs about loving life out loud!

Take Jesson, for example, how will he "top" his performance from last year? We won't know until he walks through the door, but he guarantees to please the crowd!



Our Live Auction always starts with Desserts ~ the Cheesecakes, the Baklava, the Chocolate Gnash, the famous cookies. Diet? Not today!



We have a few "Vannas" that, ever so properly, assist our fabulous, one of a kind Auctioneer, Mr. Jerry Toner. Last year we were blessed to have Fr. Jordan join us and graciously display and deliver items personally to the winning bidders.



I know this picture of the Youth For Life looks like they are just standing around with nothing to do, but this was the

calm before the storm!
These young adults are the best, they help us set-up, serve-up and clean-up!
They absolutely add to the perfect ness of the event.



One of the biggest reasons that our Auction is such a fun event is because of the great donations we receive from our supporters, and we need you again!
If you belong to a church group, like a Respect life Committee, Catholic Daughters, Knights of Columbus, Social Justice or Ladies Guild, please discuss this at your next meeting. Last year our groups put together some really fun "theme baskets" where everyone in the group will donate one or two items. Another easy way to procure is to ask your favorite restaurant, coffee stand or specialty shop if they would make a donation. Of course, all donations are tax deductible. If you have any questions about this or if you would like a procurement form, please call our office at 425 329 4569 or email me at kathy@angelorum.org.

Thank You!

IN 2009, BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT, WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE LIFE A LITTLE EASIER FOR 1,325 SINGLE MOTHERS AND LOW INCOME FAMILIES BY PROVIDING THEM WITH MONTHLY ASSISTANCE OF DIAPERS, CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS BABY ITEMS. ALSO IN 2009, WE PROVIDED FREE PREGNANCY TESTS TO 200 WOMEN. I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT A DIFFERENCE YOU ARE MAKING IN THE LIVES OF THESE PEOPLE, AND HOW YOUR HELP LITERALLY IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH!

As you can see, Angels come in all different shapes, sizes, ages and colors, just like all of us. The English word "angel" comes from the Greek angelos, which means messenger. God bestowed upon angels great wisdom, freedom and power.

You are Messengers of Life.

A few months ago we began the Angel of the Day program, which means for a continuous commitment of \$35 a month you would pick a day to sponsor, a day that you would take ownership of knowing that our doors were open and we were able to assist mothers in need with material goods and to ***speak the truth out of love*** to those women that came to us for a pregnancy test and then find themselves in a crisis.

You will be our angel as we listen to their needs with His ears and speak to them using His words so through His grace and guidance His babies will be saved and His daughters will be spared a lifetime of hurt, pain and depression.

Please prayerfully consider becoming an ***"Angel of the Day"***.



We are thankful to our Angels!

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| *1st Saturday in January | *Pauline Covney for the intentions of our Blessed Mother |
| *January 7th | *Kathy Gipson in honor of Maureen Harden, RIP |
| January 8th | *Julia Engel in honor of Engel Anniversary |
| *February 8th | *Mary Mullins in thanksgiving to God for her birth! |
| *February 18th | *Mr. & Mrs. James Haag for the intentions of the Haag Family |
| *March 8th | *Mary Marinaccio in Memory of Ruth VanBraak Miles |
| *May 8th | *Anonymous Angel of the Day |
| May 31st | *Michael Lounsbery for the Intentions of the Lounsbery Family |
| July 16th | *In honor of Barbara Godbey, RIP |
| July 17th | *Kevin & Denise Mullins for the intentions of daughter, Lindsay |
| July 27th | *Michelle Acheson in Memory of MJA |
| August 11th | *Jeannette Acheson in Memory of Matthew Acheson |
| August 13th | *Barron Garage Doors for the Intentions of the Barron Family |
| September 1st | *Marilyn Thornton for the Intentions of the Thornton Family |
| September 29th | *Athena Lounsbery for the Intentions of the Lounsbery Family |
| October 8th | *Kevin and Denise Mullins for the intentions of son, Sean |
| November 2nd | *Eric Blom for the Intentions of the Blom Family |
| November 12th | *Marry Manning in Memory of SGM |
| November 26th (Thanksgiving) | *Jan Zambrano in Memory of her parents, Dorothy & Al Gruhn, RIP |
| December 12th | *Anonymous Angel of the Day in Memory of all babies lost to abortion. |

I want to be an Angel of the Day and help women who need support in unplanned pregnancies.

Name: _____ Email: _____

The month and day I would like to support is: _____

In honor of: _____

- I have included my one time donation of \$420.00 with this coupon
- I have included my first monthly payment of \$35 by check with this coupon
- Please contact me about automatic payments through EFT or Credit Card.

Phone #: _____

- I would like my name published as an Angel of the Day in the Newsletter and on the web
- I wish to be listed as an anonymous Angel for my day.

The following is an article that one of our new volunteers wrote while attending Nursing School at Gonzaga University. Beth Hanson, RN will soon be trained to do limited obstetrical ultrasounds for our clients at Next Step Pregnancy Services. Why ever did she make ~

A “routine” trip to Planned Parenthood

As a Catholic I never thought that I would find myself walking next to a guy on my way to Planned Parenthood to inquire about an abortion. My friend Sam and I were doing research for a speech on abortion that we were to give in class along with two other friends. We wanted to find out what a woman might encounter in a routine visit to the clinic; I was to be that woman.

My only previous experience with Planned Parenthood was praying the rosary on Fridays with GU Right to Life or protesting other clinics on marches for life with my mother and siblings when I was younger.

Even though this was only a pseudo-visit, my stomach was in knots thinking about what I would say and how I would act. As we neared the clinic Sam and I agreed that we would not lie to the people if they asked about our reason for visiting, although we never needed to do so. We approached the clinic and passed the gate where, during our Friday rosaries, I had seen the sign that read, “These people are anti-choice picketers. You DO NOT have to talk to them.”

When we reached the door a security guard behind the plate of glass quickly assessed us and buzzed us in the door. We were then instructed to remove our bags and spread our legs and arms so that the guard could hastily sweep us with a metal detector wand. Sam asked why these procedures to search for weapons and other illegal materials was necessary. The guard explained that there were several “anti[-choice] groups” that had shown some aggression like “some of those Catholics.”

At that moment the wand hovering over my jacket pocket began to scream in that annoyingly high-pitched beep. I quickly became nervous when the guard asked me to remove the materials in my jacket pocket. Blushing, I pulled out my rosary and precious feet pin, which I had removed from the collar of my jacket before entering the clinic. I don’t know if the guard was too distracted talking to Sam about those “anti-choice Catholic groups,” but she failed to notice the very Catholic contents of my pocket, and I quickly returned the items to my jacket. She then pointed us toward the door that lead to the clinic waiting room.

We were buzzed in the door and followed a windowless corridor up to another checkpoint where we were buzzed through yet another door. We then found ourselves in the waiting room. Hanging on the wall to the right was a series of clothing items of the cartoon sperm named “Joe Sperm” - \$38 for a sweatshirt and \$25 for a tee shirt or pair of boxers that read “CAUTION:SPERM.”

The waiting room was quiet except for a crying baby and a video playing in the background with daughter and mother discussing abortion. At the bottom of each motivational poster hanging on the walls Planned Parenthood reminded us that they “support everyone’s individual right to choose their own fertility.”

I timidly asked for information concerning abortions and the receptionist gave me a large packet of forms that I needed to fill out to actually receive an abortion, including forms concerning my medical history and information. While their pamphlet “A Faith Perspective” states that Planned Parenthood “honor[s] people - their dignity and self worth - no matter their race, creed, age [or] gender,” the woman at the desk gave me their full attention - neither of them even looked at or spoke to Sam.

Sensing my nervousness, the woman at the desk answered some of my basic questions, explaining to me what would happen when I received the abortion. She was very careful to avoid any personal references to the baby, using words like “it” or “tissue” instead, in an effort to dismiss the gravity of the situation.

After going over the papers, Sam and I asked if I could see the counselor before filling out the medical information. We were declined because I had said I was not comfortable giving my social security number without more information. We were also told that the counselor does not counsel women on the emotional effects of abortion but rather would inform me about other available options. Later, I was told that I “really didn’t have to go through the counseling session if [I] didn’t want to.”

As I left the waiting room after informing the receptionist that I needed more time to make a decision, she looked at me with pity and sympathy in her eyes. I could tell that she had witnessed the sorrow and brokenness from other women who sought abortions enough to expect the same heartbreak from me. Her good-bye seemed to be a highly rehearsed, “I hope that you do what’s right for you,” she said, her eyes glazed with pity.

We are so thankful
to these very
**Special,
Professional,
Kind, Generous,
Patient, Funny,
Talented, Giving,
Highly, Highly
Recommendable
Companies for
their time and
talents in getting
us into our
new office!**

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YES INDEED, WE ARE IN OUR NEW OFFICE!

**Alleluia!
Praise the Lord!
Thanks be to God!**

And it's a beautiful office, and soon it will be a beautiful **medical** office. We have been so blessed, and so carefully guided with the wisdom and perfection of our Heavenly Father.

There are so many people to thank, first and foremost you, our supporters and our partners. Thank you for your prayers, your donations and your consistency with us during this process.

I have said it before and I'll say it again, "this is your pregnancy center, it is because you care for babies and families that lives are being spared and souls are being saved."

Then I would like to thank the volunteers that helped us move - on New Year's Eve - in the pouring down rain! First there was Sam, an O'Dea student on Christmas break. He was recovering from pneumonia and just got his driver's license, and he had a truck. Our Board President Marilyn Thornton and her daughter Theresa were also great helpers. My son Peter, his wife Elizabeth and her sister Samantha were there. My other son Tommy and two friends, Travis and Mike, provided a lot of laughs with their muscle.

Our newest Board member Angela Crabtree filled her car to the brim once or twice. Joe Mullins was a wonderful help during the move and after as he happily attended to our "honey-do" list of odds and ends.

Honestly, I know there are more movers to thank, but my 52 year old mind has gone blank. Eric Blom and Kevin Mullins took care of all the phone, computer, Internet and printer installations and John Lindbloom built some awesome shelves.

Please come to our open house on Sunday, March 14 from 12-4PM to see for yourself what a truly remarkable office we have been blessed with. This would also be a good time to bring any auction donations. But mostly, we just want to see you so please try and come!