

St. Joseph Respect Life Commission

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) launched the *Walking with Moms in Need* initiative (www.walkingwithmoms.com) several years ago. The goal of this endeavor is to guide and encourage parishes in ways that they can come alongside and support the moms in their midst. A primary step is for parishes to identify and make known the community resources that are available for moms and families. While it is always important for us to pray for those in need whom we encounter, it is also vital for parish members to provide practical help.

Here at St. Joseph, we are blessed to have several great resources to which we can direct moms who need support. A woman facing an unexpected pregnancy has several options for obtaining free pregnancy confirmation, ultrasound, and options counselling:

[Sienna Women's Health](#), 840 Maus Ave, Ypsilanti 48198
phone 734 821-1268 text 734 519-6664

[ArborWoman Health](#), 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Suite L2200, Ann Arbor 48105

[Pregnancy Help Clinic](#) 7743 W. Grand River, Ste, 101 Brighton 48114
phone 810 494-5433 24-hr Text a Nurse 810 844-1116

There is also valuable support available for moms (and dads!) in the form of parent education, mentoring, and material supplies for their child or children. These programs are available until a parent's youngest child is three years old, at these locations:

[Family Life Services](#) 840 Maus Avenue, Ypsilanti 48198
phone/text 734 434-3088

[Pregnancy Help Clinic](#) (contact info above)

Our Commission will hold meetings on the third Monday of each month, 7:00 pm, in the Parish Center. Please direct any inquiries about the Respect Life Commission to:

Keith Gallagher at 313 530-3599 or Michelle Wright at 517 375-2634