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# CCASTA Pro-Life Newsletter

February 2021



## February's Prayer for Life

*O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.*

*Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.*

*Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.*

## News

Several local organizations provide compassionate, tangible support to expectant moms in need of assistance. Due to the pandemic, they need your help. Please prayerfully consider volunteering or giving a monetary contribution to one of these organizations.

### **Columbia Pregnancy Center**

(offers free pregnancy services)  
8945 Guilford Rd. Ste 130, Columbia 21046  
<https://www.columbia-pregnancy.org/>  
(410) 730-3223

### **Mary's Home Maryland**

(offers free housing & support to homeless pregnant women)  
3675 Park Ave, Suite 301, Ellicott City 21043  
<http://kobermayer@maryshomemaryland.org>

### **Women's Center West**

(offers free pregnancy services)  
5411 Old Frederick Rd. #1, Baltimore 21229  
[www.womenscenterwest.com](http://www.womenscenterwest.com)  
(410) 788-4433

### **Center for Pregnancy Concerns**

(offers free pregnancy services in Arbutus, Essex, Baltimore)  
Business Office: 442 Eastern Boulevard, Essex 21221  
<https://cpcforhelp.org/>  
(410) 391-6699

## Reflection

*Today, motherhood is demeaned, because the only growth which interests us is economic growth. There are mothers who risk arduous journeys to desperately try to give a better future to their offspring. [Too often mothers are judged by people] with full stomachs, but hearts empty of love.*

*I would like us to pray today for women who are pregnant, pregnant women who will become mothers and who are restless, worried. One asks: 'What world will my child live in?' Let us pray for them, so that the Lord gives them the courage to move forward with these children with the confidence that it will certainly be a different world, but it will always be a world that the Lord will always love so much.*

*Pope Francis, May 25, 2020*

## Act (choose 1 or more)

- Pray daily this month's prayer for life
- Pray, fast and participate in 40 Days for Life which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17. See <https://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/catonsville/>
- Visit CCASTA's Pro-Life website: <https://www.ccasta.org/pro-life>

## Intercession

*May our parish community strive to provide compassionate, tangible support to expectant moms in need of assistance.*