

HAVE A HEART!



THE OLV RESPECT LIFE GROUP, *OUR LADY OF VICTORIES FOR LIFE*,
WILL BE HAVING OUR ANNUAL

RESPECT LIFE FUNDRAISER NEXT WEEKEND, FEBRUARY 8 -9

This will be a *Baby Bottle Blessings* campaign to benefit the lifesaving work of
Life Choices Resource Center in Metuchen.

Life Choices has been helping families in crisis or difficult pregnancies for 40 years by providing all FREE services such as pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, adoption referrals, material goods, abortion recovery support, and a hand of hope and friendship. Visit www.LifeChoicesRC.com for more details.

One of our members will inspire you with a short talk, and bottles will be distributed after Masses. Fill the bottles with your change, cash, or check payable to “Our Lady of Victories for Life” and return the bottles to OLV by February 23. Bins for returns will be at Mary’s altar and the main entrance and bottles will be collected daily. *Your gift will make a difference in the life of a family and their unborn child! You are our dear Valentines. May God bless you always and everywhere for your continued generosity, help, and prayers.*

YOUR SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABIES ARE GROWING!

Since September, you have been praying for one or more particular, though unknown, baby in danger of abortion. These babies are in their 6th month of development, and what progress they have made! **The very first day**, smaller than a grain of sugar, all the inherited features are set – boy or girl, color of eyes and hair, dimples or not, all the genetic “instructions” are present for all this person will become. From just about 13 weeks, their facial expressions already began to resemble their parents’. They have fine hair on their heads, and since the 4th month, they have been able to turn somersaults and suck their thumbs. They are now over 12 inches long, and Mom can feel the movement of a kick, a turn, or even hiccups! Each side of the brain has over a billion nerve cells. The child settles into favorite positions to sleep, and stretches upon waking up. He or she can hear, and if a sound is especially loud or startling, the baby may jump in reaction to it. Entering into the 7th month (March for our babies), in addition to hearing, they can also use the senses of vision, taste and touch, and can recognize Mom’s voice! Fingernails and toenails are growing longer, eyelids begin to open, preparing to see the outside world, and eyelashes are well developed. God’s wondrous little miracles! Please continue to pray for these little ones along their journey to birth, and for the lives they will get to live afterward with their birth parents or adoptive parents, thanks to your Spiritual Adoption of them. **It’s not too late to “adopt” a baby in danger of abortion, and possibly save his or her life! You can still get copies of a short prayer, and be able to name “your” babies in the little baskets at the Blessed Mother’s altar.**