

CareNet Pregnancy Center: a ministry of compassion

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CareNet Pregnancy Center — founded in 1975 — is a Christ-centered organization to educate, support and empower men and women before, during and after an unplanned pregnancy while uplifting the sanctity of human life. This nonprofit organization empowers men and women considering abortion to choose life for their unborn children and find abundant life in Christ.

“I feel that the whole success of saving lives revolves around if the people who are serving them are engaged,” said Lyndi Zembrodt, executive director, when describing her volunteer staff.

CareNet Pregnancy Center is one of three local life-affirming organizations that will be honored at the upcoming Life’s a Ball hosted by the diocesan Pro-Life Office. Life’s a Ball will be held Feb. 12 at the Airport Marriott, Hebron. Tickets are available by calling Faye Roch, director, Pro-Life Office at (859) 392-1500. The other two honorees are New Hope Pregnancy Center and Rose Garden Home Mission, Covington.

“Every client that comes in receives the same information,” said Ms. Zembrodt.



unborn baby,” Ms. Zembrodt said, explaining that fatherhood does start before the child is born.

CareNet’s vision is a culture where women and men faced with pregnancy decisions are transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ and empowered to choose life for their unborn children and an abundant life for their families.

The organization currently has three locations: Cold Spring, Florence, and Williamstown.

“Two of the three are medical and Williamstown is going medical in January, so we are very blessed,” said Ms. Zembrodt.

CareNet’s staff has expanded from 12 to 17 in the last year. They offer an internal training program for their RN’s to gain the skills of limited

obstetrical ultrasound. CareNet is funded entirely by donations and, Ms. Zembrodt said, “the community support demonstrates that they want us here.”

That support has allowed CareNet to be one of the most accessible organizations in Northern Kentucky, offering a 24-hour help line for those in need.

“If they call us one of our staff will answer that phone and take care of their need,” Ms. Zembrodt said.

CareNet does acknowledge that women do sometimes choose abortion and some have had a previous abortion. Ms. Zembrodt described this work as the business of compassion.

“We understand that there are women who have chosen abortion and we want to reconnect them to God, we want them to accept the forgiveness that he has to offer,” Ms. Zembrodt said.

CareNet offers 19 different programs to help couples with not only the pregnancy but also parenthood and their relationship with each other.

Ms. Zembrodt has been working at CareNet for 15 years and has been active 30 years in pro-life ministry.

“I don’t get tired of it because of the fact that I get to see people overcome and become great parents,” Ms. Zembrodt said.

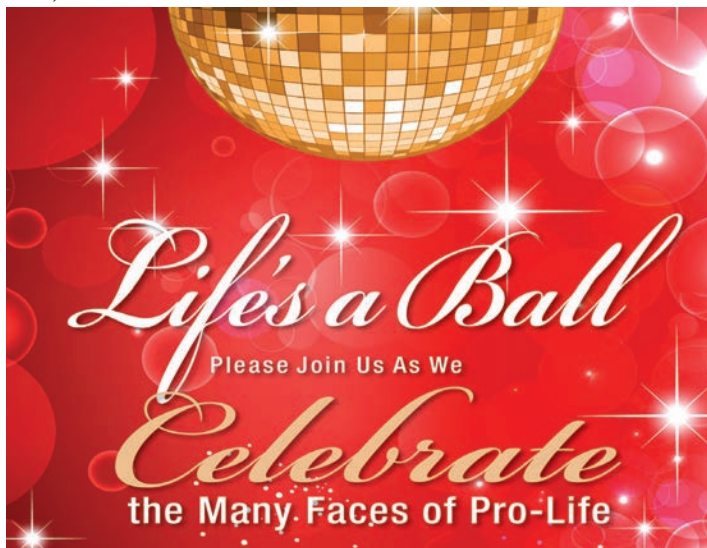
CareNet’s staff is dedicated to educating, supporting and empowering men and women while protecting the sanctity of life. (above) CareNet staff, Cold Spring.

information to make sure moms understand the medical aspects of every option. CareNet also provides a free ultrasound to allow moms to determine where they are in their pregnancy.

“Education is our greatest tool, because once people are truly informed, 90 percent of people will not choose abortion,” Ms. Zembrodt said. “If we can do the things like pay for

You’re invited — Life’s a Ball Event

Feb. 12, 2022
Airport Marriott,
Hebron
Cost \$70 per person.
Contact Faye Roch,
director, Pro-Life
Office
(859) 392-1500,
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Information provided to couples includes an explanation on fetal development and the development of their child based on the time of pregnancy.

“We do have to answer questions like ‘What type of abortion is available to me?’ With that we delve into our sourced medical information about what each abortion option does,” Ms. Zembrodt said.

It is important, she said, to use the sourced medical

Google ads that offer a free service, such as an ultrasound to determine their gestational age, and they come in our doors where we are able to offer them service, they will choose life 90 percent of the time.”

Ms. Zembrodt said offering parenting education is her favorite part of her job.

“My favorite program is the Fatherhood Program because it is so cool to see a guy start to bond with his



Christmas at the Rose Garden Home Mission

The Rose Garden Home Mission, Covington, held its annual Christmas Toy Giveaway, Dec. 21. About 860 children, from about 345 families received Christmas toys this year. Parents were blessed with three nice gifts from the shelf, a whole bag of stocking-stuffers, candy, games and clothing for each child. The families were also able to take a ham or turkey with all of the “fixin’s” with them to have Christmas dinner with their families. Bishop John Iffert worked alongside the Franciscan Daughters of Mary, volunteers and Santa bringing the spirit of Christmas to local families.

Our Savior Church in Covington will be hosting a Martin Luther King Discussion Breakfast on Saturday, January 15th from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. in their parish hall. The discussion will be on racial equity and health disparity, and the MCRC Program (Mourning the Creation of Racial Categories) from NKU will conduct a presentation. Admission is free and breakfast will be served. For more information call Sister Janet Bucher at (859) 491-5872.



Bishop's Schedule

Jan. 6
Mass, St. Patrick School,
Maysville, 10 a.m.

Jan. 11
Confirmation, Holy Cross
Parish, Latonia, 7 p.m.

Jan. 13
Mass, St. Timothy School,
Union, 10 a.m.

Confirmation, St. Matthew
Parish, Kenton, 7 p.m.

Jan. 15
Deacon assembly, 9 a.m.

Jan. 18
Confirmation, St. Thomas
Parish, Ft. Thomas 7 p.m.