

Why should everyone know that OLL will be Walking with Moms in Need?

Because statistics show that 4 in 10 women that have abortions, attend church regularly. This increases the chance that you might have a conversation with an abortion minded woman. Even if you never want to be a sidewalk counselor, Sidewalk Advocates for Life training can be very helpful. You never know when you may end up talking to an abortion minded woman. We could arrange a training for the parish maybe even a deanery wide with Sidewalk Advocates for Life either on location or Zoomed.

Know where the crisis pregnancy centers are: Birthright of Columbia

[Lifebridge](#) in Newberry and [LaVie](#) in Lexington are life affirming pregnancy centers too. They do not perform or refer for abortions, but they do have information about abortion for educational purposes and sometimes people are scandalized by that so when we come up with a pamphlet of information to be handed out, that will have to be addressed in the wording. Lifebridge calls itself a Life care center because it also has classes on healthy relationships, but it still is a pregnancy center.

We never want to send a woman to Planned Parenthood for ANY reason, ever! Planned Parenthood has great marketing skills. They promote themselves as a health center, but do far fewer services than an average Federally Qualified Health Clinics. Women would not go without health care if Planned Parenthood were defunded. Check out <https://lozierinstitute.org/fact-sheet-planned-parenthood-facilities-outnumbered-14-to-1/> The Charlotte Lozier Institute is also an excellent website for other factual information on abortion and other prolife issues.

<https://www.liveaction.org/learn/the-problem/> Live Action has many resources, videos both educational and undercover investigations, free e-course on prolife responses. I encourage you to explore the many aspects of this site, healing after an abortion, videos on what abortion is, fetal development and more. The page on this link covers the myth that abortion is just 3% of Planned Parenthood's business. It is very important to know what Planned Parenthood does and doesn't do.

[Help Her Be Brave](#) by Amy Ford. It is packed with great ideas. Amy Ford's motto is that we just can't be Pro-Life, we must be Pro-Love. Each chapter has a theme and starts with a story of a woman, then "discovering your place", "What Helping Her might look like". Lots of online organizations. Here's a link to a [preview](#) of the book.

Think outside the box. Are you a good cook? Help with meal train. Are you a frugal cook and have tips to stretch her grocery budget? Job search, resume help. Maybe you could start a parenting class for moms. This would be great for expectant single moms and for moms that don't have family near by or someone as a mentor.

Monthly drop off for diapers for Birthright (0-3mos)

Once we have a good idea of what we are doing, we can expand outside of the parish. Love Boxes (small gift bag) with encouraging letter, a small baby item, and devotional item to pregnancy center as an invitation to our community and WWMIN.

<https://springsoflove.org/> Discerning foster/adopt <https://www.walkingwithmoms.com/sample-parish-responses> Moment of Hope Pregnancy Care Team [video](#)