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19** CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL
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Supporting *Dramatic Missionary Growth* in Our Community



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"A society without mothers would be an inhuman society, as mothers always know how to show tenderness, devotion and moral strength, even in the moments of greatest difficulty..."

- Pope Francis

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

May is also the Month of Mary.

"Behold, your mother." Our Lord, Jesus spoke those words from His cross to John the Apostle about the Virgin Mary.



However, those words were not only meant for John but for all of us today. Mary is also our mother who, by her

example, most perfectly teaches the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their fullest sense.

Mary is the perfect role model for us on how to live a Christ-centered life. We should never hesitate to avail ourselves of her tender love and powerful intercession for us with her Son.

From the moment of the Annunciation, Mary's "yes" to God was not forced; from her we can learn how to trust in God and say "yes" to Him.

As good stewards of our faith, let us use this special month - Our Lady's month - to practice the stewardship Pillar of Prayer. Pray to Our Lady for all mothers, your mother, those mothers who lost a child (as Mary did), and those mothers who need our prayers when faced with an unplanned pregnancy.

As we celebrate Mother's day this month, also remember those who have lost their mother and may feel alone and sad. Pray that they will feel the tender, motherly love of the Virgin Mary. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us, that we, too, may respond with love when God calls.



THANK YOU!
**Through your support of
the Catholic Ministries
Appeal we are able to help
so many Moms in need.**

Young women facing crisis pregnancy without adequate resources come to Catholic Charities Regina Residence and find a life-saving solution. Regina Residence gives them the tools to become confident, loving, working mothers.

Regina Residence sees to the physical and emotional health of pregnant or parenting young women and their children by providing a structured environment with counseling and education.

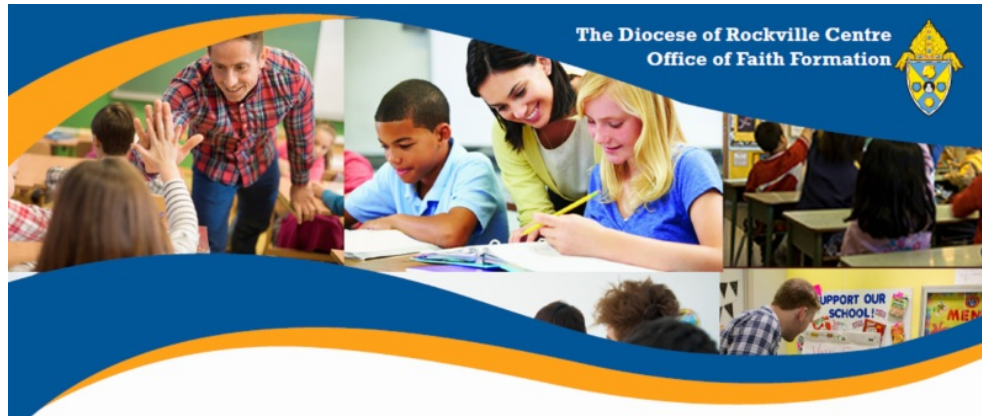
Mary's Residence offers transitional housing and services to those graduating from Regina Residence, along with their young children. The Mentoring of Moms program connects young women to community role models who encourage their development as employees and parents.

"I know now that I was making decisions that were bad for me and my baby. The staff at Regina Residence helped me to understand why I was making the choices I was making and they taught me life skills that will make me a better mother and employee."

-Vanessa

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MAY 5, 2019



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