

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

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Miscarriage Support

Our committee is here to provide support for anyone currently going through or anyone who has ever gone through miscarriage or infant loss.

- Did you know you can bury your baby's remains? We have resources to help you in collecting your child's remains when you are going through the miscarriage. This can be done even if the miscarriage is early or occurs in a medical facility. Our parish has partnered with Covenant Resources Miscarriage Ministry to provide you with same day miscarriage burial supplies and other miscarriage resources. www.covenantresources.org
- · We can provide assistance and support in planning a prayer service, funeral, or burial.
- We have a Memorial Garden for the Unborn to remember those lost too soon and a monthly prayer service is held there.
- · We have a parish library with books that are resources for navigating miscarriage and infant loss.

We are willing to help and support you however you need:

- · Need connection with others who have gone through this? We can help connect you.
- · Want to start a support group or book study for those who have lost a child and those who are supporting people going through child loss? We will help start and lead one.
- · Need someone to help you make phone calls for any aspect of miscarriage and infant loss? We will help do that.

Please reach out to the parish office (515) 993-4482 and you will be connected to a member of the Respect Life Committee who will support you however you need.

MEMORIAL GARDERN

A brief prayer service is held in the memorial garden on the second Sunday of the month following 8:30 Mass. Held in the parish hall in Jan/Feb/Mar or due to inclement weather. All are invited! As a parish family, together we pray for these children and their families.

Memorial Stone Information

In remembrance of the unborn & children lost too soon, you are invited to take a stone and personalize it however you choose (name, date, etc.) and then place it somewhere within the Memorial Garden landscape. A few suggested personalization options are listed below but more detailed information can be found the Memorial Garden page: www.stjohnsadel.org/memorial-garden-for-the-unborn

Painting, Engraving or Name Plate Options:

- Paint markers and permanent markers are available through the parish office, or you may use your own. We recommend adding a protective coating for longevity.
- Amazon offers small name plates which can be glued on to the stones with permanent glue.
- · Order engraved stones of various sizes at Etsy.com
- Engrave stone yourself with an engraving pen.



Have You or Someone You Know Had a Miscarriage?

St. John's Catholic Church Wants to Support You in Your Time of Loss.

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www.covenantresources.org ♥ 812-212-3463 ♥





In Remembrance of Children Lost Too Soon

If you, a loved one, or a friend have lost a child too soon, you are invited to submit the child's name to be included on the page where we remember and honor them: stjohnsadel.org/inremembrance-of-children-lost-too-soon or office@stjohnsadel.org or (515) 993-4482.

Respect Life Committee Info

Our committee works to promote the value of all human life, at every stage of its existence, from the moment of conception to natural death. If you would like more information or are interested in sharing your time and talent with our committee, you may call the parish office at (515) 993-4482, or send an email to officeestjohnsadel.org.

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More reflections, prayers, and activities of our committee may be found at www.stjohnsadel.org/respect-life-committee