

Supporting Family Decisions



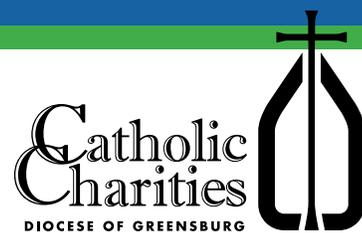
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg offers assistance to support family decisions. The agency provides a complete menu of services regarding life choices to all individuals and their families regardless of age, marital status, economic condition or religion.



**Providing
Resources and Assistance
When They Are Needed**

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Pregnancy

The agency offers free pregnancy tests. Upon learning of a pregnancy, Catholic Charities can assist in planning for an expected child; whether the choice is to raise the child or plan for adoption.

If the decision is to raise the expected child, Catholic Charities will provide support and counseling throughout the pregnancy, as well as offer referrals for baby items, birthing classes, childcare, parenting classes and other community services. Infant clothing and diapers are available until the child's first birthday.

Should a plan for adoption be the choice, the birth parents have the opportunity to choose the adoptive parents. They may or may not wish to meet and interview the couple, and the adoption may be open or closed. Open adoptions are available under Pennsylvania law to the extent that the birth parents and the adoptive parents agree. Trained mediators are available for the negotiation of these agreements.

Project Rachel

Project Rachel, a ministry of the Catholic Church, offers help to women and men suffering from an abortion experience, regardless of age, religion or connection to the abortion. Designed for those who are struggling after abortion, Project Rachel provides a safe place where specially trained staff can provide hope to help overcome grief and loss.

Family Planning with CM-BBT Method

CM-BBT (Cervical Mucus – Basal Body Temperature) instruction is provided by a medically certified professional instructor. The CM-BBT Method is a scientifically based, medical model for Natural Family Planning.

When used correctly and consistently, CM-BBT is 97% effective. Use of the method safely promotes personal health and wellness of body. CM-BBT invites better marriages, enhances communication, and encourages mutual respect and responsibility.





Serving

Westmoreland County:

Central

711 East Pittsburgh St.
Greensburg, PA 15601
724-837-1840
724-837-4077 (FAX)
724-552-2643 (TDD)

North

St. Joseph Parish
1129 Leishman Avenue
New Kensington, PA 15068
724-334-4453

South

St. Sebastian Parish
801 Broad Avenue
Belle Vernon, PA 15012
724-929-4699

Serving Armstrong County in Kittanning:

St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe
348 N. Water St.
Kittanning, PA 16201
724-548-1009

Serving Fayette County in Uniontown:

Family Service Center
140 N. Beeson Avenue, Suite 406
Uniontown, PA 15401
724-439-3531

Serving Indiana County in Indiana:

St. Thomas More University Parish
1200 Oakland Avenue
Indiana, PA 15701
724-463-8806

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Catholic Charities is listed in the Official Catholic Directory and is a non-profit organization, designated as a 501(c)(3) corporation by the Internal Revenue Service. This ruling is issued annually as a group tax exemption for all organizations listed in the current Official Catholic Directory. All contributions to Catholic Charities are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in making a contribution in the form of a financial gift, bequest, or other manner of donation, please contact our Director of Community Relations and Special Events at 724-837-1840 ext. 1504, or visit our website at www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org

Mission Statement

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg, rooted in the gospel and social teachings of the Church, is the primary social service agency of the Diocese. Our mission is to serve the human needs of individuals and families, regardless of their religious affiliation, and to provide leadership in building collaborative efforts with parishes and communities in addressing these needs.

Non-Profit Status

The official registration and financial information of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Helpline: 1-866-409-6455



A United Way Organization

Catholic Charities is funded by the Diocese of Greensburg, United Way appeals in the four counties of the Diocese, state government and independent contracts, client fees, private foundation grants, individual contributions and bequests.



**Providing Help.
Creating Hope.**