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Spring 2025 Newsletter

**SAINT MARGARET
 OF CASTELLO**
 MATERNITY HOME

OUR NEWEST ARRIVALS:

<i>Name</i>	<i>D.O.B.</i>	<i>Weight</i>
Aitana	11/26/24	5lbs
Zachariah	11/26/24	7lbs 6oz
Elisabeth	11/29/24	6lbs 1oz
Reyna Skye	12/13/24	6lbs 9oz
Noah	12/14/24	7lbs 12oz
Ava	12/19/24	8lbs
A'mirys	12/24/24	7lbs 14oz
Jack	12/26/24	7lbs
Autumn	12/26/24	7lbs 5oz
Anaise	1/2/25	7lbs 4oz
Nolan	1/12/25	7lbs 2oz
Kristen	1/12/25	9lbs 11oz
Isaac	1/14/25	8lbs 10oz
Daila	1/18/25	7lbs 4oz
Tyler	1/19/25	8lbs 5oz
Gunnar	1/21/25	8lbs 5oz
Kylian	1/26/25	9lbs 4oz
Victoria	1/27/25	6lbs 3oz
Zoey	1/27/25	6lbs
Aniyah	1/30/25	9lbs 1oz
Jonah	2/21/25	7lbs 7oz

**No Mother rejected
 No Child unwanted**

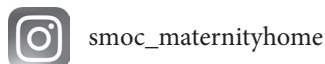
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In 1986, The Saint Margaret Home started helping others and only continues to do so with your ongoing help. The Home needs your prayers. The Home needs your volunteer time. The Home needs your contributions. The Saint Margaret Home is a 501©3 organization and your contributions are tax deductible. You can donate in many ways- designate the Home as your United Way Beneficiary (United Way No. 8986), Paypal or Venmo @SMOCHome. You can also check out our Amazon Wish List. The Home appreciates all the support.



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We at Saint Margaret believe that every life should be treasured and loved. No one should ever feel unwanted. Saint Margaret knew much suffering and abandonment in her life, though she never lost her Faith nor Trust in God's love and shared it with whomever she met. We at the Saint Margaret Home wish to emulate her generosity of Spirit and love for those feeling unwanted or abandoned – respecting the Life of every Woman and Child. The Saint Margaret Home wants to do what it can to make sure every life is appreciated.



“Every child begins the world again.”
 ~ Henry David Thoreau

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The high winds in February caused damage to our roof. It also knocked over an extremely large tree in the backyard damaging a section of fencing. The important part was no one was injured. Thank you to Farrell's Roofing and O'Malley's Landscaping for making sure everything was immediately addressed and resolved. We appreciate all your hard work!

We were honored to be nominated again for the Bucks Happening List for Best Charity. Thank you to everyone who voted. Results should be posted in the next few weeks!



Huge thanks to everyone who attended our NFC Championship Watch Party fundraiser at the Green Parrot Restaurant in Newtown! It was a huge success. We had such a great time cheering on the Eagles to victory and getting to meet so many supporters.



****Wish List****

Wipes • Size 3 to size 6 Diapers • Paper Towels • Tiolet Paper • Dish Soap • Formula



Dear Friends,

I know I don't speak just for myself when I say Hello Spring!! It seemed like January lasted 200 years then time sped up like crazy. The sunshine 100% improves my mood and definitely gives me more energy. I'm trying to prepare for my son's birthday, my husband's birthday and Easter all within 3 weeks of each other. I'm exhausted just thinking about it. It's been super busy at the Home as you can see with so many babies being born over the past few months. No matter how hectic it gets, being able to witness incredible moments like a baby rolling over for the first time or the huge celebration when a baby finally sleeps through the night makes it all worth it..

We continue to help over 115 parents in the community monthly. I would like to say how much we appreciate the ongoing support for the Home and parents we serve. We are only able to continue helping hundreds of parents a year because of supporters like you. As always, thank you for your continued support. We appreciate every prayer, well-wish, donation and kind word.

Love and Positive Thoughts Always,
Eileen

The Story of Miss Rosa

Miss Rosa received SMOC services for her own children more than 20 years ago. She recently noticed a huge need for parenting support in her community. Miss Rosa reached out to SMOC in hopes we were still in operation and was thrilled to hear we were offering the same support she herself received so many years ago. One of the largest hurdles parents come across is transportation- whether it be having the actual funds to get here, a complicated and lengthy route on public transportation or being in a one vehicle household. It is also extremely hard if they are in need of many or bigger items that cannot be easily taken on the bus such as a crib. Miss Rosa started being a volunteer "taxi driver" for her community and linking moms to SMOC for appointments. Miss Rosa brings multiple parents a month to meet with their counselors and pick up baby items. She always has a smile on her face and the kindest heart. We appreciate all that she does and are blessed to have her in the SMOC family.

"The child is the beauty of God present in the world, that greatest gift to a family."

~ Mother Theresa