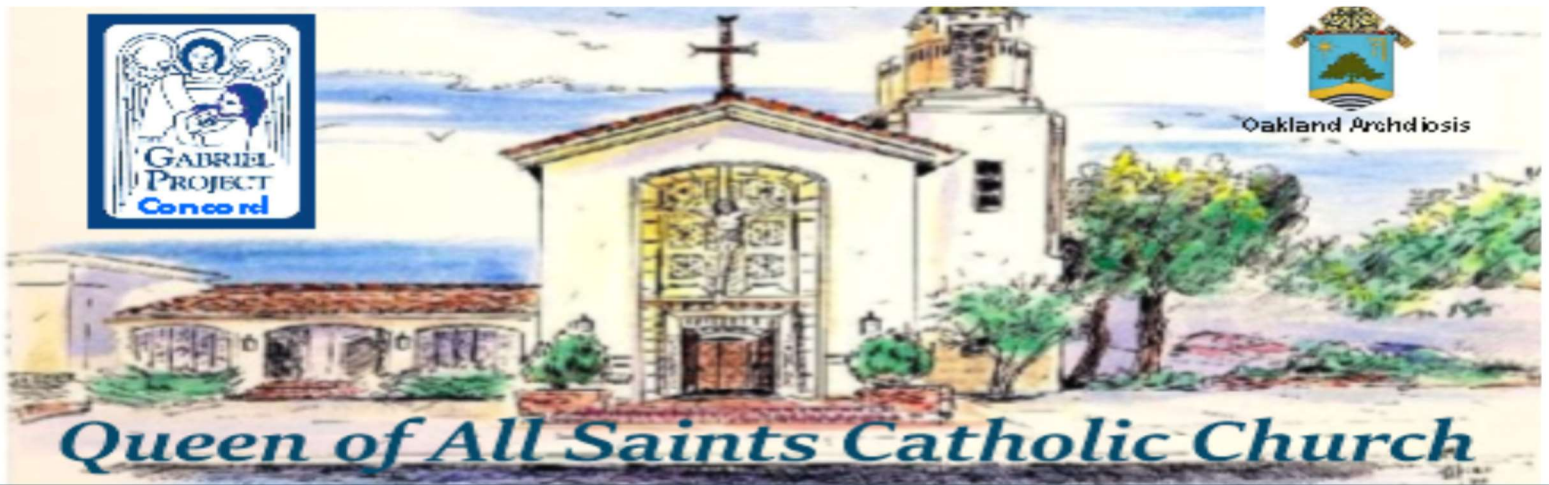




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GABRIEL PROJECT MOMS



Have A Happy &
Blessed
Thanksgiving



One of our Gabriel Project Moms with her beautiful 3-week-old baby boy Maddox. This mother called our 800 Hot Line in September asking for assistance with a car seat and stroller for her baby. She was provided a car seat and stroller a couple of weeks before delivering her baby. She was also referred to Birthright for free maternity and baby clothing.

Another mom with her 1-month old baby boy Isaiah. This mom was referred to the Gabriel Project through Healthy Start. She was initially contacted in August to set up a visit, however when our Angels tried to contact her to confirm her phone was disconnected. She was lost to the program for a couple of months. Fortunately, we were contacted by her sister that stated that her sister was at a family

Gabriel Project Helpline: 800-910-0191

shelter. Arrangements were made to visit her and to meet her precious son. Donations given to the project were taken for mom and baby. The project continues to follow up periodically with her on baby's wellbeing.

THE GABRIEL PROJECT NEEDS YOU!

Many mothers in our community are faced with crisis pregnancies, feeling abandoned by their families, the fathers of their babies, and their community. Often, they are young and homeless without any financial resources. Most feel afraid. For too many reasons, abortion seems the only answer. Churches and pro-life service groups have sought ways to expand their embrace of women in crisis pregnancies. Now comes a way they can do so together, a way to combine the special power of prayer with a commitment to service - The Gabriel Project! The Gabriel Project is a parish-based outreach whose members must stand together with a common commitment to serve women and families facing difficult and crisis pregnancies. Participating parishes will "advertise" this commitment by placing a "Sign of Hope" with its "800" number Hotline, which assures any mother that the local church community cares for her and is prepared to offer immediate and practical help with her pregnancy. Callers to the helpline are referred to the nearest appropriate Parish Coordinator. The coordinators and the parish volunteers - "Angels" - work with the parish, Diocese, and

local community resources to meet the mother's necessities. Interested in joining this ministry? you may contact: Maritza & Carlos Balladares, Queen of All Saints-The Gabriel Project Ministry Parish Coordinators. Ph: 925-338-7632 or e-mail: qasgabrielpro@gmail.com.



BABY DIAPER DRIVE

Thank you to all the children and parents from of Queen of All Saints Parish School, whom participated in our yearly diaper drive in September. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Ms. Megan French who was instrumental in organizing this event. God bless you all!

GABRIEL PROJECT YEAR-END-STATS

Areas Served: Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, Martinez, & Vallejo, **Mom Referrals Help Line:** 22, **Other Community Agencies:** 16, **Financial Assistance Provided:** \$4,875, **Volunteer Hours Provided:** 1,850 hours of direct & indirect services.

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS NEEDED...

We need Christmas gifts for 20 babies that are currently under our services. Could you help?

Call: 925-338-7632 for more information. Please send cash donations to our Parish office, ear-marked Queen of All Saints-Gabriel Project Ministry.