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| Date: | July 1, 2024 |
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| То: | Bishops, priests and deacons |
| From: | Joey Martineck, director of Respect Life Ministry; Office of Life, Dignity and Justice |
| Re: | Miscarriage and infant-loss ministry |

Many couples have experienced the pain of miscarriage. Often, they suffer quietly and alone, not aware of the resources available to them.

We wanted to bring to your attention <u>Red Bird Ministries</u>, a Catholic resource, which provides comprehensive support to families experiencing miscarriage or infant loss. Some of their services include comfort calls, spiritual direction, virtual support groups through the Red Bird app and more.

Additionally, we encourage your parish to start a miscarriage/infant-loss ministry as a chapter of Red Bird. At a low cost, Red Bird provides leadership training and materials/guidance for events such as a Mass of Remembrance, 10-week in person small groups, workshops, retreats, etc. Contact Red Bird Ministries for more information or watch this <u>webinar</u>.

God bless.