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Date: July 29, 2024
To: Priests and deacons
From: Joey Martineck, director of Respect Life Ministry, Office of Life Dignity and Justice
Re: Prenatal Diagnosis Ministry

[Be Not Afraid](#) supports parents carrying to term following a prenatal diagnosis. When shocked with news about the health of their baby, often parents are pressured by the medical staff to make a quick decision to abort. They may not even realize they are choosing abortion due to the medical jargon and how the staff may be presenting the situation as a loss.

Be Not Afraid can help a couple slow down and receive a different perspective. They provide one on one support and counseling from years of experience. They believe that every baby is a gift and follow the ethical teachings of the Catholic Church but serve parents of all denominations.