



The Church actually focuses on three things in October. The first is the Rosary. Then the other two, praying for Vocations and promoting a Pro-Life culture, naturally flow from that devotion to the Blessed Mother. St. Patrick's embraces these efforts year round, but try to put a little extra emphasis during October. The way the calendar fell this year, October 7, the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary (a.k.a. Our Lady of Victory) is on a Saturday. So we did our Living Rosary early this year, on Mary's Birthday, September 8. Another strong devotion is the annual **Life Chain gathering**. The parish pro-life committee will be hosting this event **Sunday, October 1, 2:00pm**, at the corner of **Main and 16<sup>th</sup> Street**. All are welcome to join in this prayerful, peaceful, Pro-Life demonstration.

**BISHOP KEMME** will be here the weekend of October 28 & 29 for his pastoral visit and to celebrate the weekend Masses. Also, on **SUNDAY, 10-29-17, 1-3:30pm**, he will host an **SEK Listening Session** in the Parish Hall. This a town hall style meeting where the bishop would like to hear from us about life in the parish community. A member of all parish and school families is encouraged to attend.

**- PTO MEETING -**

**Tuesday September 26**

**Here are some highlights from the meeting:**

- Another successful Auction, thank you so much to everyone that donated, volunteered, attended, and contributed in any way
- PTO voted in favor of paying for the Field Trip Membership to Greenbush (8<sup>th</sup> Grade ropes course with Father & Mr. Aita on Tues 10-3-17; Science Center trips Grades 4-8 on Mon 11-13-17 & Grades K-3 Wed 11-15-17)
- We had several good discussions about gym & Booster Club improvements, the possibility of Summer Child Care, and a Parent University over Social Media

Next PTO Meetings Dates: 1-16-18 & 4-24-18



**Wed 10-18-17**  
 Grade School,  
 12:05 dismissal  
 Latch-Key available  
 until 5:30pm  
 Preschool, & Daycare  
 open as normal

**ALL SAINTS DAY, Wed 11-1-17**  
 All Grade School, Preschool, Daycare closed for the Holy Day (Mass 10-31 5:30pm, 11-1 8am & 6pm)

**Wed 11-8-17**  
 Grade School, 12:05 dismissal  
 Latch-Key available until 5:30pm Preschool, &  
 Daycare open as normal

**THANKSGIVING BREAK**  
 Mon-Tues, November 20-21  
 Grade School & Preschool closed  
 Daycare open 7:30am-5:30pm  
 Wed-Fri, November 22-24  
 All Grade School, Preschool, & Daycare are closed

