

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: OCTOBER 31 & NOV 1, 2009**

- ❖ **Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Soul's Day. We will have a Mass at 8:30 a.m. and a special memorial presentation at the 5:30 p.m. Mass in honor of departed parishioners and their surviving families.**
- ❖ **The Knights of Columbus will be selling their famous BBQ chickens after all Masses this Sunday. Please support the K of C in their ministry by purchasing one or more as you leave Mass.**
- ❖ **Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking your help. We need sponsors for Thanksgiving Food Baskets for the needy in our area. Society members will be in the hallway after all Masses this weekend to accept your monetary donations. See the bulletin for more information.**
- ❖ **St. Michael's Youth Ministry will have a visiting speaker present a Theology of the Body Retreat for our Confirmation Class next weekend. There will also be a Friday evening session at 5:30 p.m. with our Jr. High Youth, and a Thursday evening session at 7:00 p.m. with the parents. Pope John Paul II developed the Theology of the Body as a way to teach God's truth through the miracle of our own human bodies. Call the Youth Office for more information or to register.**
- ❖ **Congress is preparing to debate health care reform legislation. The Catholic bishops of the United States strongly support genuine health care reform that protects the life and dignity of all, from the moment of conception until natural death. However, all current bills are seriously deficient on abortion and conscience rights, and do not yet provide adequate access to health care for immigrants and the poor. As you leave Church today, you'll find a special flier from the US Bishops Conference asking you to please contact your Representative and Senators immediately and urge them to fix these bills with pro-life amendments. The flier includes a web address that allows you to send an e-mail message to Congress with a click of a button. The bishops have asked for our swift action and the commitment of our prayers for this critical effort. Thank you for your help. We can help make sure that health care reform will be about saving lives, not destroying them.**
- ❖ **And, last but certainly not least, Fr. Leo's new HOLY Boat has arrived! Check it out when you leave Mass today. It is parked in the driveway as you exit towards the parking lot.**