

# October is Respect Life Month!

*In October, Catholic parishes and organizations sponsor education conferences, prayer services, and opportunities for public witness, as well as events to raise funds for programs assisting those in need. Such initiatives are integral to the Church's ongoing efforts to help build a culture in which every human life, without exception, is respected and defended.*

**October Baby Shower:** Each October, the Human Concerns Commission sponsors a collection of

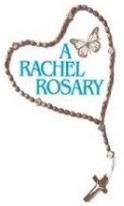


various baby items for the Family Resource Center and New Beginnings in Fond du Lac and Mary's Room in Sheboygan. The Family Resource Center serves needy families of newborns in Fond du Lac County. New Beginnings is a non-profit, Christ-centered pregnancy care home providing a nurturing environment for pregnant women in crisis situations. Mary's Room offers help for needy moms in Sheboygan County. Donated items should be placed in the crib in the Gathering Area of Church during the month of October. Many items are needed, but especially crib sheets, diapers, bottles, newborn pacifiers, Good Start formula, toddler-sized socks, baby bath supplies and towels, baby wipes, baby toys, gently used winter clothing up to size 4T or any gently used baby furniture.



## **Respect Life Sunday – October 7**

On this day we remember and reflect with gratitude God's priceless gift of human life, in all its stages, from natural conception to natural death. Before and after Masses this weekend, Respect Life Literature will be available in the Gathering Area.



## **Rachel Rosary—October 7**

The Rachel Rosary will be prayed on Sunday, October 7 at 1:00 at Sacred Heart Church in Fond du Lac. The Rachel Rosary is a six-decade Rosary (five Sorrowful Mysteries and one Glorious Mystery) specially modified to emphasize prayer for the advancement of the Culture of Life. All persons interested in ending abortion, assisted suicide, and similar assaults against life are cordially encouraged to join in praying the Rachel Rosary.



## **Life Chain – October 7**

The Life Chain will take place from 2:00 - 3:00 at West Johnson Street and North Peters Avenue in Fond du Lac. The Life Chain is a peaceful, silent prayer to promote a culture of life, while holding positive right-to-life messages. Signs will be provided. All are welcome; no advance registration.

## **White Ribbon Against Pornography Campaign – October 27-28**



The White Ribbon Against Pornography is intended to educate the public about the extent of the pornography problem and about what can legally be done to fight back against the flood of obscenity. Fighting pornography, and obscenity in particular, however, is a year round challenge. A gift that reminds us to fight pornography and its effects year-round will be available at each Mass.