

## *Respect Life Month*

St. Athanasius will celebrate and foster the dignity of life each week for the month of October.

### **Weekend of October 3/4**

*The Forgotten: The poor, the hungry, the abused, the addicted, the immigrant, those in prison and those who serve them.*

There will be our usual loaves and food collection for our food pantry. Please bring your bags of food to the food pantry in the main vestibule. The money collected in the poor boxes this weekend will be donated to S.O.B.E.R (South Baltimore Emergency Relief).

### **Weekend of October 10/11**

*Those bearing life and those to be born.*

All are invited to join the efforts of H.O.P.E (He Opens Paths to Everyone) to foster the gift of children and to assist mothers. We are asking parishioners to donate baby items (diapers, clothing, blankets etc.) and children's clothes and toys, which will be delivered to H.O.P.E. in Glen Burnie. Collection boxes will be located in the main vestibule.

### **Weekend of October 17/18**

*Those who protect, defend and nurture life.*

Police officers, paramedics, fire fighters, doctors, nurses, mental health professionals and men and women serving in the military are asked to attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass in uniform for a special blessing acknowledging their efforts.

### **Weekend of October 24/25**

*The sick and the suffering.*

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered at the 10:30 a.m. Mass for those who seek God's healing.