

## St. Peter's Messenger—September 15, 2016

Today we remember Our Lady of Sorrows. Father Steve talked with the children about the Sorrows of Mary and especially how sorrowful Mary was to see Jesus carrying his cross. When a mother sees her child hurting, she is terribly sad and hurt, too. We should all look deep inside ourselves to find those feelings of compassion. Mrs. Omecene encouraged us and reminded us there is no better way to live like Jesus than to look for signs of pain in others and for us to see Christ in them and keep them in our hearts.



For over 90 years, St. Peter's has graduated students who are exceptionally well-prepared for high school, both academically and spiritually. The largest portion of our *Upon This Rock* campaign, \$5.9 million, will allow that tradition of excellence to continue for years to come in a comfortable, safe, accessible and energy-efficient building.

Scheduled renovations include:

- upgraded mechanical systems (HVAC, electrical, plumbing)
- updated and accessible restrooms
- a new accessible entrance and exterior staircase on the east elevation
- new classroom finishes
- improvements to fire suppression, lighting, hand rails and exit signage for increased safety
- improved traffic flow with adjustments to corridors and room sizes

Please keep these much needed renovations in mind as you consider your gift.

- *Messenger Envelopes* went home with students today! Please be sure to return the envelope, emptied, with your student.
- We have an **early, 2:20 pm dismissal, tomorrow, Friday, September 16**, for Staff Development. After Care is available.
- If you have not yet returned your **"Welcome to the St. Peter's Family"** sign to the school office, please do so at your convenience. If you would like a PTA "pick-up" of your sign, please let Angie Meyer know @ [ameyer@stpeterskc.org](mailto:ameyer@stpeterskc.org)
- It takes a village to host the **Meyer Fest!** If you are interested in volunteering, check out the following Sign-up Genius link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4ca9ae23a02-2016>

**New School Families:** Hopefully you've noted this event on the school calendar—the "New Family Social," which will be held at the rectory Thursday, September 22, from 6:30-8:30 pm. This is an adults-only event, hosted by the St. Peter's PTA. The rectory (our priests' residence) is just to the west of the school building/south of the church. You are welcome to park in the lot directly to the south of the rectory or in the main parking lot south of the school building, which serves as our daily playground. We hope to enjoy the deck and backyard area of the rectory that evening!

Please RSVP to our new family liaison chair for the PTA, Sherry Kastel @ [\\_sekrisman@gmail.com](mailto:_sekrisman@gmail.com) by Monday, September 19, if you plan to attend!



*"Let us look at the cross and think of all those who suffer and do the will of God. May the cross be our comfort in trouble, our shelter in danger, our safeguard on life's journey."*