

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH

– And they lived happily ever after. That's how many of our children's stories end. Is there any hope of this ending for our families and us? Yes, and that is why we are a part of the Church and working on our faith. Just as the stories for our children have many challenges and tough lessons they end well when the characters stay true. The same ending is possible through our faith. Thanks to Jesus Christ who became man, suffered and then rose from the dead, we are invited and welcome to the Kingdom of Heaven for all eternity.

Our readings today enforce this hope of everlasting life. But, just as children, we must be unbiased and totally trusting in God and His plan for us. This plan will include crosses, of which we must bear, even unto death. God has created us in His likeness and welcomes us to His kingdom as a part of His family. We need only to trust and obey as youngsters do their parents; accepting whatever we have or don't have as normal and make the best of it.

The Kingdom of God belongs to such as these and they lived happily ever after.

Greg



OCTOBER is the month of Mary. The rosary will be prayed twenty minutes before each weekend Mass.



SAVE THE DATE – Mission Commission will sponsor a breakfast at Speedway Lanes on Sunday, November 1. It's an all-you-can-eat brunch. More details will follow in upcoming bulletins.

THE ANDREW DINNER

What's an Andrew Dinner? Andrew Dinners are named after St. Andrew who brought his brother, Simon, to meet Jesus for the first time. It's a custom that Archbishop Schnurr began when he was bishop in the Diocese of Duluth. From time to time, he would invite high school aged men – juniors and older – to join him for dinner and for conversation about priesthood.

Have you ever been curious about the priesthood? Would you like to meet the new archbishop? If the answer is "yes" to either question, I would encourage you to attend the Andrew Dinner held in the northern part of the archdiocese.

What: The Andrew Dinner

When: October 14, 2009 (Wednesday, 5:30pm to 8:30pm)

Where: Holy Redeemer Parish Hall

Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Arrival

6:00 p.m. Dinner

6:45 p.m. Presentation by a seminarian
and Archbishop Schnurr

7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

8:00 p.m. Time for Q & A with

Archbishop Schnurr

8:30 p.m. Closing and departure

To register or find out more, call Deacon Greg Bornhorst or Robin Goettemoeller at the parish office at 419-629-2543 by Wednesday, October 7. Although this particular event is geared towards young men only (high school juniors and older), there will be future events for both women and men.

Fr. Tom

PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Sunday, October 11 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the meeting room next to the conference room.

VOCATION VIEWS – Children come to believe through those they love. We pray for married couples that they may be rooted in Jesus and share their love with their families. The call to married life is a special vocation.

OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFT-
September 27 - \$4,817.75 Attendance – 791
Adults - \$4,384.00 High School - \$1.00
Grade School - \$23.50 Anonymus - \$409.25

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY:

Due to early school dismissal on Wednesday, October 7, the early CCD sessions will be from 2:15-3:15 p.m. All other sessions will be at the regularly scheduled times.

COME JOIN THE FUN every Tuesday morning from 9:15-10:15 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Parish Center for an Arthritis Wise and Well Program, presented by Senior Independence Home Health and Hospice (affiliated with the Arthritis Foundation). This program is a community-based, non-clinical group exercise program designed to help those who have joint and/or muscle problems achieve improved joint mobility, muscle strength and endurance in order to improve the performance of their daily activities. It is for anyone with arthritis or related rheumatic disease or musculoskeletal conditions. The program consists of four main elements:

- Exercise – including stretching or range-of-motion exercises, strengthening exercises and endurance routines.
- Health Education – providing up-to-date information about arthritis self-management and exercise.
- Movement Activities – to promote social interaction, movement, balance and body awareness.
- Relaxation Exercises – to introduce and practice various stress management techniques, which are helpful for stress and pain reduction.

Senior Independence is a non-profit, faith-based provider of Senior Health and Retirement Services. For questions or more information, please call 937-657-2080.

CATHOLIC ADULT SINGLES CLUB enables its members to share, trust and enjoy the ideas and company of fellow single adults through weekly activities. For more information, call 419-305-6118. On Sunday, October 4, the group will enjoy the Fall Open House at Bear's Mill in Greenville OH. On Saturday, October 17 they will visit the Museum of the Soldier and Glass Museum. Saturday, October 24 they will gather for a fall house party in

Coldwater.



YUM! YUM! YUM! Do you like to bake? You may want to consider joining a new group, the Busy Bakers, now being formed at our parish. There are times when our parish needs treats (cookies, brownies, rice krispie squares, cup cakes etc.) for various events at church. Kathy Dicke has volunteered to head this group. If you would like to join, call her at 419-629-2434 or email at jdicke@nktelco.net. The more people we have the better. You may only have to make a treat once or twice a year, depending on the number of volunteers.



CROP WALK will take place on Sunday, October 11, beginning at Bremenfest Park. Registration is at 1:30 p.m. and the walk will begin at 2:00 p.m. CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. **Our parish will be selling paper "feet" after all Masses this weekend to help raise money for this very important event.** A percentage of the monies raised will go to the local Loaves and Fishes county community meal site and Agape. In these hard times all gifts are greatly appreciated. Please consider giving a dollar for a foot.

OUTDOOR LIVING ROSARY for Peace will be said by the combined members of the Knights of St. John and the Knights of Columbus on Sunday, October 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the Relic Chapel at Maria Stein, 2291 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein. All parishioners are encouraged to come and participate.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS about how your infant or toddler is growing or learning? Does your child have difficulty sitting? The Auglaize County Early Childhood Collaborative Group, Help Me Grow, is conducting a free screening for children birth to five years of age on Monday, October 5 from 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. at the ABC Center, 20 East First Street, New Bremen OH. For further information, questions or to pre-register for either of these screenings contact Charlotte Axe at 419-738-3410 or 1-800-531-6134.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

October 10 & 11

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

W. Albers – R. Dicke – F. Frey – T. Homan – C. Opperman

A. Schwartz – A. Speelman – C. & S. Wissman

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

D. & S. Bertke – C. & R. Brookhart

R. & R. Kremer – V. Schellhause

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

Deacon G. Bornhorst – E. Ahrns – D. Albers – F. Borchers

M. Flaute – M. & S. Francis – L. Nitschke – L. Topp

M. Topp – A. Wellman

LECTORS:

October 10 & 11

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

J. Homan – D. Freeman

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

G. Heitkamp – K. Bornhorst

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

B. Feltz – R. Tangeman



USHERS:

October 10 & 11

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

D. Champagne – L. Dicke – C. Griesdorn

G. Nosek – W. Steineman

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

D. Anderson – S. Dwenger – J. Kremer

R. Nickamp – T. Wentz

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

M. Gaerke – G. Grevenkamp – T. Howell

K. McGlinch – M. Varno

COLLECTION COUNTERS – October 11

C. Hoelscher – N. Henderson – J. Pape

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

October 11

Molly Watcke

ACTIVITIES:

Sun. - Communion to the Sick/Shut-ins by Ministers of Eucharist

- Ensemble sings during 10:00 a.m. Mass

- CCD for 3's, preschool and kindergarten during 10:00 a.m. Mass

- Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00 a.m. Mass

- Baptism of Cole Werner, son of Beverly Bruggeman, 11:00 a.m.

Mon. - Ensemble rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. in music room

Tues. - Anointing of the Sick during 8:30 a.m. Mass

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- Exercise program, 9:15 a.m. in parish hall

- Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), 7:30 p.m. in conference room

Wed. - CCD classes: Grades 1 through 6: **2:15 – 3:15 p.m.**; 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Grades 7 & 8: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

- Handbell choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. in music room

Sun. - Communion to the Sick/Shut-ins by Ministers of Eucharist

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- Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00 a.m. Mass

MASSES:

October 3 to 11

Sat. 5:00 p.m. Paul & Margaret Pape

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Holy Redeemer Parish

10:00 a.m. Ken Jutte

Mon. 7:00 p.m. Irene Kleinhenz

Tues. 8:30 a.m. Freda Moeller

Wed. 12:05 p.m. Living & dec'd. members Fr. Kunkler
K of C Council 2158

Thurs. 7:00 p.m. Paul Kremer

Fri. 8:30 a.m. Newton VanDeMark

Sat. 5:00 p.m. Ron Scheer

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Living & dec'd. Ontrop-Voskuhl
family

10:00 a.m. Holy Redeemer Parish

SERVERS:

October 5 to 11

Mon. 7:00 p.m.

M. Kramer – C. Schwartz

Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

M. Feltz – A. Thieman

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

G. Griesdorn – K. Homan

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

K. Goettemoeller – B. Goettemoeller

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

S. Brandt – S. Homan

PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:

October 10 & 11

Sat. 5:00 p.m. Randy & Karen Eckert

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Lawrence & Marlene Egbert

Sun. 10:00 a.m. Joe & Peg Eilerman

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY,

OCTOBER 11

Wisdom 7:7-11

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30



"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Mk 10:7-9

- Property Committee meeting, 11:00 a.m. classroom #1