



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

— “What’s a phylactery?” This was the first question a staff member asked as we began our meeting by reflecting on today’s gospel (Mt 23:1-12). My first thought was, “You don’t want to know.” But I had read the word in Scripture many times before, and I knew it had to do with religious ornamentation worn by religious leaders of Jesus’ time. Beyond that, however, I wasn’t too sure. So I did a little more checking. From the Catholic Encyclopedia I got this description.

“By the [Jews](#) the phylacteries are termed *tephillin*, plural of the word *tephillah*, “a [prayer](#)”, and consist of two small square cases of leather, one of which is worn on the forehead, the other on the upper left arm. The case for the forehead holds four distinct compartments, that for the arm only one. They contain narrow strips of parchment on which are copied passages from the [Pentateuch](#), viz., [Exodus 13:1-10](#); and [Deuteronomy 6:4-9](#); [11:13-21](#). The practice of wearing the phylacteries at stated moments is still regarded as a sacred [religious duty](#) by the [orthodox Jews](#).”

So there it is. Jesus is faulting the scribes and Pharisees for wearing these symbols of faith and religious commitment called phylacteries. Now, I don’t think it’s the wearing of this religious ornamentation that bothered Jesus; rather, it’s the lack of congruity between what these phylacteries represent and the absence of love in the lives of those who wore them.

Sometimes when it comes to spreading the faith, Christians can be their own worse enemies. It might well be that hypocrisy tops the list of the things that discourages others from living our church faith. We realize full well that we can’t be worshippers of God on weekends and atheists on weekdays. The challenge, however, is putting this realization into practice.

Fr. Mannebach

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS, a holy day of obligation, will be observed on Tuesday, November 1. Eucharist will be celebrated Monday evening, October 31 at 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday, November 1 at 12:05 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after the 12:05 p.m. Mass.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, a day to remember deceased loved ones and parishioners, especially those who have died in the past year: Michael L. Will, Stan Nagel, Cynthia L. Wenning, Doris Wissman, Donald A. Ruese, Richard S. Bergman, Linus Schulze, Roberta Nagel, Ruth Ritter and Landen Thomas Phlipot. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. Letters were mailed to parishioners who have lost an immediate family member this past year in order for a candle bearing that person’s name to be available. The candles may be taken home after Mass. Anyone who has not received a letter with this information should contact the parish office. In remembrance of other family members who have passed away, smaller candles will be available at the entrance of the church for anyone to light and to right the name of their loved one. All are encouraged to come to this special liturgy of remembrance.

ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, Holy Redeemer Parish is proud to welcome Fr. Larry Tensi for a parish-wide night of catechesis on the new Roman Missal. Fr. Tensi has an extensive background in liturgy and was the former director of the Worship Office for the Archdiocese. The evening will begin at 7:00pm. Babysitting will be provided as well as activities focused on the Roman Missal for pre-school-sixth grade youth in the parish hall and classrooms. Junior high and high school students should report to the church at 7:00pm. Because of the importance of this evening, there will be no CCD classes so that the entire parish may take advantage of this program.

PASTORAL COUNCIL is in need of a secretary to take the minutes from the Pastoral Council meetings and submit them to Janet Suchland at the

parish office for inclusion in the parish bulletins. Anyone interested can contact Fr. Mannebach at the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY:

Junior high and high school CCD classes will take place on Wednesday, November 2. The junior high students will attend from 6:30-7:00 p.m. and attend Mass at 7:00 p.m. The high school students will attend Mass and have class following Mass until 8:45 p.m. This will serve as their CCD class.

VOCATION VIEWS – To serve the Lord is to come to Him in humility, and in Him we find peace. (Psalm 131)

OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFT-
October 23 - \$7,124.00 Attendance - 825
Adults - \$6,466.00 High School - \$9.00
Grade School - \$18.00 Anonymous - \$631.00
World Missions - \$2134.00
Holy Redeemer - \$4,990.00

THANK YOU to Brandon Jester and Tina Hoelscher for the altar flowers on the weekend of their wedding, October 22.

EVANGELIZATION & SERVICE COMMISSION, along with the New Bremen junior high student council and the youth group from St. Paul United Church of Christ, served 132 meals at Loaves & Fishes, a community meal site in Wapakoneta, last week. A big thank you goes out to those who made pies for dessert and to those who helped at the meal site.

AGAPE UPDATE REMINDER - Next

weekend is Agape Sunday. Did you know that Ohio is the sixth 'hungeriest' state in the nation as one in six households struggled last year to get enough to eat? Please consider helping with a contribution to complement a Thanksgiving dinner or giving some spare change to help purchase food from the West Ohio Food Bank. Baskets to collect these and other items are always available in the

church entrance. As always, a jar for cash donations will also be available.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ends next weekend. Remember to set your clocks behind one hour.

Mission Committee Brunch



Speedway Lanes
455 North Herman Street

Sunday, November 6

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

All-you-care-to-eat buffet
(including made to order omelets and Belgian waffles, Eggs Benedict, scrambled eggs, French toast, pancakes, sweet rolls, biscuits and gravy, bacon, sausage, potatoes, fresh fruit, fried chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, and assorted vegetables)



Adult buffet - \$8.99
Children (three to ten) - \$4.99
Ages two and under eat free

Proceeds benefit the
Mission friends in Grenada

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

October 31, November 1, 2, 5 & 6

Vigil – Feast of All Saints

Mon. 7:00 p.m.

Deacon G. Bornhorst – D. Bertke – D. Knapke – H. Kremer
L. Kremer – D. Pape – D. Schwartz – D. Stachler – M. Topp

Feast of All Saints

Tues. 12:05 p.m.

Deacon G. Bornhorst – C. & R. Brookhart
J. & S. Bruns – B. & J. Clune

Feast of All Souls

Wed. 7:00 p.m.

P. Harrod – B. Killian – R. & R. Kremer – S. Thieman

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

K. Elking – J. Gusching – T. Heitkamp
L. Holdren – T. Homan – R. Parker – A. Speelman
B. Suchland – A. Wentz

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

D. & J. Gehle – P. Kaiser – D. & M.A. Keller
H. Krieg – S. McCollum – L. & R. Rutschilling

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

Deacon G. Bornhorst – A. Borger – C. Broerman
A. Buschur – M. & S. Francis – C. Kuck
S. Thobe – A. Wellman

PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:

October 31, November 5 & 6

Mon. 7:00 p.m. Walt & Erma Schmitmeyer
Sat. 5:00 p.m. Craig & Sue Schnelle
Sun. 8:00 a.m. Dennis & Pam Schulze family
Sun. 10:00 a.m. Bernie, Steve & Carla Schulze

LECTORS:

October 31, November 1, 2, 5 & 6

Vigil – Feast of All Saints

Mon. 7:00 p.m.

J. Homan – S. Bertke

Feast of All Saints

Tues. 12:05 p.m.

M. Sommer – D. Dicke

Feast of All Souls

Wed. 7:00 p.m.

R. Tangeman – J. Eshelman

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

A. Knapke – S. Bertke

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

C. Killian – E. Niekamp

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

M. Dwenger – G. Topp

USHERS:

October 31, November 5 & 6

Vigil, Feast of All Saints

Mon. 7:30 p.m.

T. Howell – A. Koenig – K. McGlinch

M. Moeller – M. Varno

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

R. Brandt – T. Eyink – B. Kramer

J. Kremer – T. Wenning

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

D. Alig – P. Heitkamp – D. Kramer

L. Lane – D. Steineman

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

R. Homan – M. Mueller – J. Niekamp

B. Parker – G. Wendeln

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

November 6

Molly Watcke

COLLECTION COUNTERS – November 6

S. Schmackers – J. Ziegenbusch – B. Koverman

ACTIVITIES:

- Sun. - Communion to the Sick/Shut-ins by Ministers of Eucharist
- CCD for preschool and kindergarten during 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Handbell choir during 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Mon. - Adult choir rehearsal, after Mass in music room
- Tues. - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, **1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**
- Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), 7:30 p.m. in conference room
- Pastoral Council meeting, 7:30 p.m. in classroom #1
- Wed. - CCD classes: Grades 1 through 6: 3:15-4:15 p.m.; 5:15-6:15 p.m.
Grades 7 & 8: **6:30-7:00 p.m. followed by Mass**
Grades 9 through 12: **after Mass-8:45 p.m.**
- Children's choir rehearsal, 4:15 p.m. in the music room

MASSES:

October 29 to November 6

Sat. 5:00 p.m. Rev. Carl Will

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

10:00 a.m. Leo Schwartz

Vigil – Feast of All Saints

Mon. 7:00 p.m. Charles & Armella Steinke

Feast of All Saints

Tues. 12:05 p.m. Holy Redeemer Parish

Feast of All Souls

Wed. 12:05 p.m. Ruth Ritter

Wed. 7:00 p.m. All Souls

Thurs. 7:00 p.m. Steve Flaute

Fri. 8:30 a.m. Living & dec'd Ontrop-

Voskuhl families

Sat. 5:00 p.m. George & Evelyn Heitkamp

50th Wedding Anniversary

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Vernon & Craig Winner

10:00 a.m. Holy Redeemer Parish

SERVERS:

October 31 to November 6

Vigil – Feast of All Saints

Mon. 7:00 p.m.

B. Bertke – K. Maurer – W. Meyer

Feast of All Souls

Wed. 7:00 p.m.

A. Balster – E. Balster

Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

K. Broerman – A. Thieman

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

M. Kramer – E. Smith

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

C. Schulze – C. Schwartz

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

M. Brandt – N. Thobe

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 6**

Wisdom 6:12-16,

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

- Schola Cantorum sings during 7:00 p.m. Mass
- Handbell choir rehearsal, after Mass in church



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Sun. - Communion to the Sick/Shut-ins by Ministers
Eucharist
CCD for preschool and kindergarten during 10:00 a.m.
Mass

**JESUS SPOKE TO THE CROWDS AND TO HIS DISCIPLES,
SAYING, "THE SCRIBES AND THE PHARISEES HAVE
TAKEN THEIR SEAT ON THE CHAIR OF MOSES.
THEREFORE, DO AND OBSERVE ALL THINGS
WHATSOEVER THEY TELL YOU, BUT DO NOT FOLLOW
THEIR EXAMPLE. FOR THEY PREACH BUT THEY
DO NOT PRACTICE." MT. 23:1-3**