

Suggestions for When to Wear Your Bishop's Ambassador Lapel Pin or Legacy of Faith Catholic Service Award Medallion

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lamp stand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Matthew 5: 14-16)

Those who have received the Bishop's Ambassador Lapel Pin or the Legacy of Faith Catholic Service Award medallion are encouraged to wear them during special occasions. Suggested times are:

- Diocesan Celebration such as ordinations, landmark wedding celebrations, confirmations, Rite of Election, etc.
- Special Vicariate events such as Divine Mercy Sunday, Corpus Christi, or Exaltation of Cross processions, etc.
- Special parish celebrations.
- Parish Funerals
- Holy Days and from time to time on Sunday.
- When representing the Catholic Church at a community celebration such as reading scripture during an ecumenical prayer service, participating in Baccalaureate, saying grace before a public meal, offering a prayer at a public event or meeting.

In these instances it is not about calling attention to the individual, but rather providing an opportunity for evangelization – a discussion about the local church recognizing the recipient's service and commitment their faith, their God, and to the Body of Christ, as well as an invitation to others to join in that mission.

It is suggested that those who have received the lapel pin or medallion consider being buried with it. The Catholic Service Award medallion may also be tastefully mounted in a shadow box and put on display in the parish hall or other appropriate Catholic venue, as one family did for their loved one in the hallway of Marygrove Retreat Center.