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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept. 19	7:00 pm	Fr. Brian Prunty
Sun. Sept. 20	10:00 am	Jim Loughrin
Sat. Sept. 26	7:00 pm	
Sun. Sept. 27	10:00 am	

Trustee Elections – will be held at weekend Masses, Sept. 26-27.

2020 Disaster Relief Giving – Oct. 3-4 at St. Patrick's – check only designating memo line to "Bishops Disaster fund" Our prayers go out to families who have lost loved ones, homes and businesses due to the devastating impact of Hurricane Laura and the wildfires in the West.

At the request of the USCCB, Bishop Ricken is asking all parishes to have a voluntary special collection to support the USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund as soon as possible that does not conflict with other scheduled collections. The funds collected in this special collection will be used to support humanitarian, long-term recovery and Church needs arising from these calamities. The fund will be used to support both Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services, the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, as they respond to immediate emergency needs; and the USCCB for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church.

Parishioners, please make checks payable to your parish and memo for Bishops Disaster fund. Credit Card donations can be made by calling the Catholic Foundation at 1-920-272-8121 or online at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give.

Encountering Jesus – How can we have a personal encounter with Jesus in the Gospel? Try the following: have a cup of coffee and read Scripture for 15 minutes each morning; read the daily readings found online at www.usccb.org; attend daily Mass where celebrated; read bible stories to your children and grandchildren; engage in a Bible Study; teach religious education; or pick a book in the Bible and read it.

Don't just read it; imagine it. Start somewhere - We are made for God.

Religious Education. Contact Barbara if you have questions. Thank you!

Grades K-6 – at St. Patrick's as usual, beginning Monday, October 5th

Grades 7-8 – moving to MONDAY nights – beginning Monday, October 5th

Grades 9-11 – moving to MPB – began Wednesday, September 16th

Plan A – in class as usual – this is currently the plan

Plan B – if needed, we will offer virtual homeschool for K-8

From the Diocese / Sunday Mass Obligation updated: Following much careful consideration, the dispensation for Sunday Mass obligation has been lifted and beginning the weekend of Sept. 19 and 20, all Catholics will once again gather as a community of faith on Sundays. The lifting of the dispensation was announced in a decree issued by Bishop David Ricken on Monday, Sept. 7.

(www.gbdioc.org/sundayobligationdecree)

With this news, please note there are still occasions when the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply:

-If individual Catholics struggle with serious health concerns or are physically or morally prevented from worshipping at Mass for a grave reason

-If individuals are frail due to illness or age or, in their well-formed consciences believe that going into public places --including Sunday worship at Mass --would place their health or the health of their loved ones in serious jeopardy

-If individuals are sick, or have been in contact with someone who has been sick.

The faithful who are unable to attend Mass are urged to make holy the Lord's Day and to pray, read the Scriptures, watch a broadcast or livestreamed Mass and take part in acts of charity. The diocese also issued guidelines for public Masses at (www.gbdioc.org/sundayobligationreinstatement).

These guidelines make clear that face masks are still required, and that, while restrictions will be lifted on the percentage of people at Mass, the standards of social distancing will still be upheld. The obligation to attend Mass for Catholics reflects our faith in Jesus Christ, the blessing of the Holy Eucharist and an acknowledgment of His great love for us.