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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat.	Sept. 26	7:00 pm	Jodi Daul
Sun.	Sept. 27	10:00 am	Carol McIlraith
Sat.	Oct. 3	7:00 pm	All Living and Deceased Souls
Sun.	Oct. 4	10:00 am	Jenny Murphy

Your Contributions for the September 22nd Deposit:

Envelopes: \$1620.00, offertory: \$318.00, Maintenance: \$100.00 Picnic Donation: \$90.00, CCD tuition: \$150.00

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

Social Distancing at Mass – We have room at church for you. We will now be using half pews as we did in June, meaning we can use all pews vs. every other pew. There are a couple full pews open for the younger families. Let us know if you have any questions. *God is good all the time.*

Encountering Jesus – How can we have a personal encounter with Jesus in the Sacraments? Let's start with **Baptism**. Did you know that everyone is born with Original Sin – the first sin of Adam and Eve? Their sin removed grace (God's life) from our soul. But the Sacrament of Baptism washes away Original Sin. It also fills our soul with grace (God's life), makes us a child of God, and a member of God's family (the church). Jesus wants all of us to share in His life and become children of God. Jesus said to His apostles, "Go, and baptize all people." When the priest baptizes, he uses the words in the Name of Jesus, "I baptize you in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Can anyone baptize? No, only the priest unless it's an emergency, in the case of someone dying with no priest present. Next week, the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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. ... 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.

Religious Education. Beginning Monday, October 5th – 6:00-7:15pm

Grades K-8 – at St. Patrick's

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, which began last weekend, Sept. 19 and 20. All Catholics will once again gather as a community of faith on Sundays. ... 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 ... 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.