The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 20, 2020

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE	
Tuesday, September 22 nd	
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Weds, Sept 23 rd , St Pius of Pietrelcina (Obl Mem)	
9:00 a.m.	A.I.D.
Thursday September 24 th	
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
7:00 p.m.	+Irma Boni
•	(Rosemary & Darcy Saunders & Family)
Friday, September 25 th	
9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
	(Anon)
Saturday, September 26 th	
5:00 p.m.	+Joseph Mantler
_	(Frances Mantler & Family)
Sunday, September 27 th	
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
St. Martin's	For the Living & Deceased Members of
9:00 a.m.	the Parish
St. Mary's	For the Living & Deceased Members of
11:00 a.m.	the Parish

[&]quot;Prayer is the best weapon we possess. It is the key that opens the heart of God"

-St. Pius of Pietrelcina

RECENT DOCUMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST AND THE NEED TO OBSERVE ALL PROTOCOLS IN TIME OF THE PANDEMIC.

At the request of His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, I am pleased to forward to you a recent document from the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on the importance of Sunday Eucharist, especially during this time of Pandemic.

We are reminded of the importance of actual participation in the celebration where possible, and the fact that the various means of digital communication can never replace actual participation in the liturgy. Furthermore, we are reminded to observe all the protocols set in place by health authorities and our local bishops.

At this time, it is important to remind everyone that all of the protocols for liturgical celebrations in place in the Diocese of Hamilton are to be strictly observed, without exception. These include the mandatory use of masks in all of our churches, physical distancing, the prohibition against choirs during this time, and the reception of Communion in the hand only. These norms apply to celebrations of the Mass in the Ordinary Form and in the Extraordinary Form, and to all sacramental celebrations. Only the priest, the lector and cantor are permitted to refrain from wearing a mask when exercising their particular ministries in the sanctuary. Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are required to sanitize their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion.

Failure to comply with all of the protocols presently in place risks the closing of our parishes and our inability to gather in

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our churches for Mass, Adoration and the celebration of the Sacraments.

Thank you for your attention to this important resource.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Murray J. Kroetsch, PH, VG Chancellor

Please see full text of the document from the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments posted on both the diocesan and parish websites.

ONE HEART ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN COMES TO ST MARY'S & ST MARTIN'S.

Are you ready for kickoff?

The One Heart, One Soul Campaign kickoff is just a week away! At next weekend's Masses, Father will speak about the campaign, and we will show the beautiful campaign video. You will hear more about our projects

Q. Can our parish use the campaign funds to address operating budget problems?

A. Yes. This applies to all parishes in coming waves that designate the funds for that purpose. Parishes that have already completed the campaign can use their funds only for the projects for which the money was raised. Those parishes' challenges are not being ignored, however. The Diocese has created a separated fund to help parishes with significant operating budget needs created because of the shutdown.

Q. Why do you emphasize making a pledge?

A. Pledges allow donors to consider giving more than is possible through one-time gifts. Parishioners can be more generous to their

parishes' campaign and the Diocese through incremental giving over time. Also, pledging is not as big a strain on household budgets. This is important in a campaign of this magnitude.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PORK ROAST – THIS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th, Order by Sept.21

Our Annual Fall Pork Roast will be held this Saturday September 26th starting at 6:00 p.m. Due to Covid-19; it will be a Drive--Through Pick--Up Only event. **Order by Sept.21 (Call Ken. #519-830-9318)**

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:

Couple relationships often experience strain during times of stress and the last several months have provided some of the highest stress many couples have faced. It is important to step back and recognize why tensions might be running high and then engage in actions that can release the pent-up stress.

Try cooking together, walking, biking, or hiking together, praying together, or any activity that will bring laughter to the day. It may even mean finding ways to have some time apart, whether that be one person being outside while the other is in, or one person being on one floor of the house, while the other is on another. Time together is wonderful, but too much can be distressing! Remember you are in this together and you can find ways together to feel connected and beat any feelings of stress.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR ALL THE SICK:

For all the sick around the world especially those who feel alone in their struggles and those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, all healthcare professionals, and frontline workers.

For our sick parishioners and those who look after them: Marlene Berardine, Don Woodham, Margaret Morris, Felix Kozak, Argene Pellegrini, Tom Wunder, Kaelynn Heines, and family and friends. May they experience healing and comfort and may Our Blessed Mother Mary, Health of the sick, pray and intercede for us, Amen!

Please Keep Our Recently Baptised and Their Families in Your Prayers: Anna Marie Holden