December 1, 2020

Dear Parents,

This year, your student will begin the process of preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We joyfully look forward to facilitating this opportunity for you and your child to have a more deeply encounter with Christ!

It is the responsibility of the parish in which you and your family are registered members and regularly attend Mass to provide your children with the preparations necessary to receive the sacraments. If your family is registered at another parish, please consult your parish for sacramental preparations for your student. If this is the case, I will need to know if your student will NOT receive the sacrament here.

For students who are registered members of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Portland, preparations for the reception of Confirmation will occur at home through the online “Chosen” program. Our St. Patrick faith formation and school students will still receive their regular course material at home(faith formation) or in class(St. Patrick school).

The online “Chosen” program will begin next year (Feb. 2021). A weekly outline will be put together to help students pace their instruction to be completed in time to receive the Sacrament next spring/summer. This Sacrament will be celebrated here at St. Patrick with Father Mike. What this will look like, we do not know yet. Please stay patient with us as we figure out the best safe practices for all.

Please be assured of our prayers for your child and family in this blessed time!

Lori Thelen,

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