



# SAINT HEDWIG PARISH

April 21, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Easter  
*Forty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

Corner of Beech & Orange Sts.  
Manchester, NH 03104

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## *Liturgy*

### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday: 4:00 pm  
Sunday: 10:00 am

### **Weekday Masses**

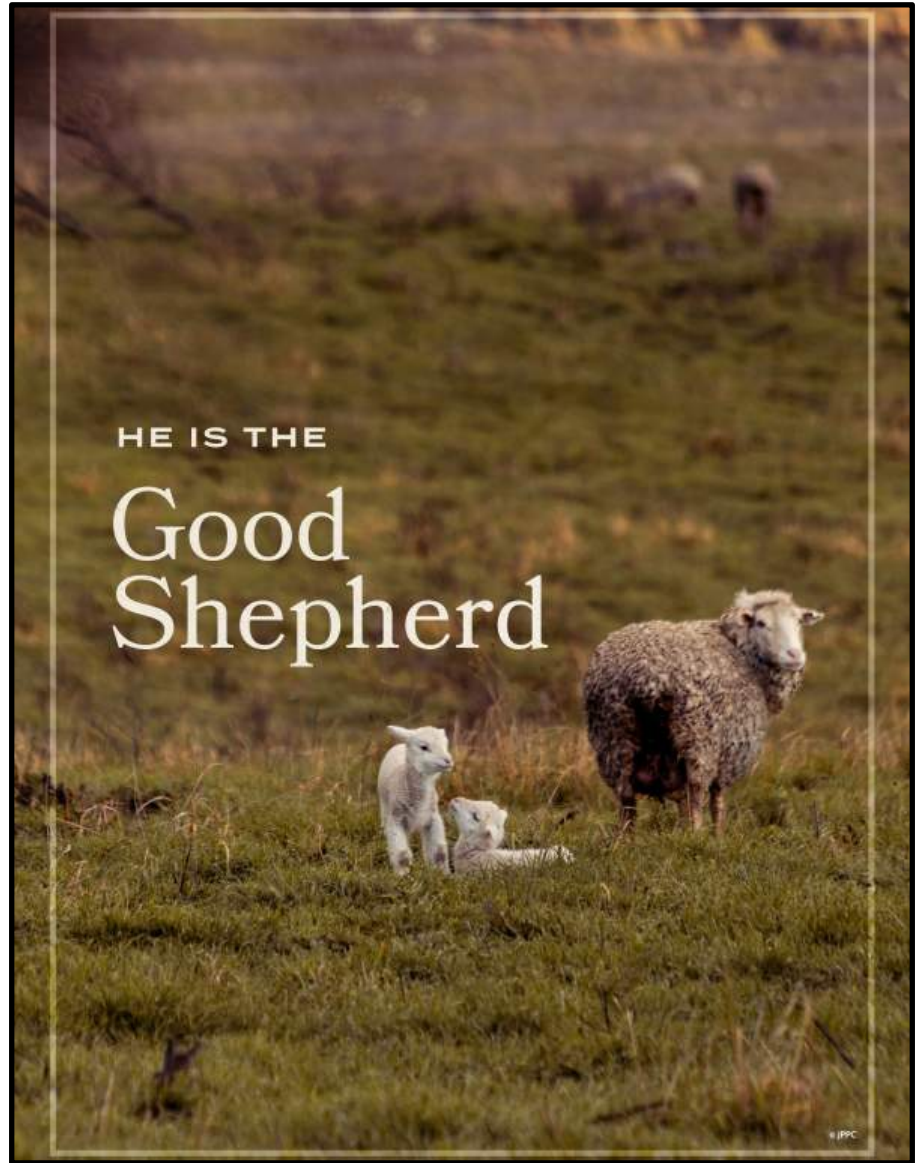
Mon. Wed., Fri. 5:30 pm  
Tues., Thurs. 9:00 am

### **Holiday Masses:**

As Announced

*Sacrament of Penance*  
Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

*Eucharistic Devotion*  
After the morning Mass on  
Thursdays.



## Saint Hedwig Parish Cemetery



71 Old Bedford Rd.  
Bedford, New Hampshire

*Please contact the parish office for all inquiries pertaining to the cemetery.*

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## Parish Staff

Rev. Eric T. Delisle, KCHS *Pastor* Sr. M. Thomas Lesniak *Pastoral Assistant*

Christopher Maynard *Director of Music* Dan Felch *Parish Maintenance*

Ellie Felch *Parish Secretary* Sr. Jacqueline Kazanowski *Mount Carmel Nursing Home Volunteer*

## Sacraments

### Baptism

Please contact the parish if you wish to have your child baptized. Baptisms are celebrated after the 10 am Mass on Sundays, except during the Lenten season.

### Marriage

Marriages are booked six months in advance. Please contact the pastor to begin marriage preparation program.

## Convent

Sr. Mary Thomas Lesniak, CSSF  
Sr. Jacqueline Mary Kazanowski, CSSF

147 Walnut Street, Manchester, NH. 03104  
603-232-3115



## WEEKLY GIVING

April 6 - 12, 2024

Weekly Giving \$ 1,622.00

Online Giving \$260.00

Total \$ 1,782

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There is the option of giving on line to the weekly collection. Just go to [sainthedwighn.org](http://sainthedwighn.org). Click on online giving and follow the easy instructions to set up your account. Online giving helps to support the parish even when your are away.

## Welcome!

### *Are you new to the parish?*

We are glad you can worship with us at St. Hedwig Parish. Please register at the rectory or in the Sacristy after Mass. If you haven't already, please take a parish registration form at the entrance of the Church and fill it out. On the reverse side of the form, you can make a choice of joining any of the Parish Ministries available at St. Hedwig. When complete, please drop the form in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office at:

147 Walnut Street, Manchester, NH 03104

Each of us has that certain friend, relative or neighbor who is good at something that we're not. That ability could be about almost anything you can name. Baking a cake; building a deck; telling a story; driving an RV or flying a plane. It is these talents and abilities of others that make life better for us, even if we must fight off a little jealousy. But, when you add in your specialty, we have an expanded basis for gratitude, well past the fourth Thursday in November.

There is one Person who once came to live with us from a faraway place called heaven who had every possible talent and ability there could be: Our Lord Jesus. Even so, He put limits on Himself. Yes, He performed miracles. Yes, He rose from the dead. But in His teaching, He only told us what we needed to know; never to limit ourselves in becoming better; told us how to be better; and then invited us to live in His kingdom.

In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus made bold to call Himself "The Good Shepherd." That title meant more to His contemporaries than it does to us, at least at first glance. Most of us know nothing about this humble and difficult way of life called shepherding. We have to "Google" it. We do know that shepherds raise and tend to sheep.

When Jesus called Himself the "Good" Shepherd that word in John's gospel meant more than "good at" some task or other. It meant "noble" or "ideal" shepherd. That declared that Jesus was not like the bad shepherds who neglected their flocks and let them become victims of wolves. In fact, Jesus gave His life for His sheep, who, in this context are namely you and me.

The good news is that we are always part of His flock if we want to be. We will receive His attention, His care, His love. Of course, that word "if" makes all the difference. We can reject Him. Write Him off our list of priorities if you will. This happens to otherwise faithful sheep, particularly when inclusion in His flock, or loyalty to Him involves pain and difficulty.

In our society, with its upside-down value system, that pain may be no more than embarrassment at being known as His follower. Yet every crucifix, large or small, is a vivid reminder of how much He loves us and will not hold back His love if we repent. Like a good shepherd, He feeds His flock with the finest of foods, namely the Holy Eucharist. Boy is our Shepherd good at loving us, is He not? How are we at loving Him back?

Even a four-year-old little girl knows the coldness implied when we make no return to God. Her mother watched her one day hugging a doll in each of her pudgy little arms. After a few minutes, she wistfully looked up at her mother and said, "Mama, I love them and love them and love them, but they never love me back."

Well...God love you and may you always love Him back.

Pray FOR THE SICK ©IPPC

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

**Rita Haskins, Vera Gorski, Joseph Heleniak, Julia Korona, Dr. Henry Plodzick, John Golabiewski, Jr.**

If you know of any other members of St. Hedwig's who are homebound and could be added to this list, please let Fr. Eric know or leave a message on the parish voice mail. Thank you.

**A Prayer for the Sick of our Parish** *May you be wrapped up in God's love found deep in His everlasting wings. Carried and kept, safe and cherished. May the healing power of Christ breath across your being now.*

**Pray for the seminarians of our diocese to encourage them in their call to the priestly vocation:**

Christian Collopy, Caleb S. Goff, Nick Wencis, Spencer M. Gregory, Peter Phong Quang Le, Horngam Patrick Razhamah, Andre Nadeau, Deacon Eric Ouellette, Casey Burgess, Jacob Condi, Guillaume Temkkit, Christian Hurlburt



"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen."



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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, APRIL 20

4:00 pm. - +S.p. Mary Walsh *from Walsh Family*  
+S.p. Albert Dudek, 9th Anniversary  
*from Dudek Family*

### SUNDAY APRIL 21 4th Sunday of Easter

10:00 am. - +S.p. Jesse Thayer, Birthday Remembrance  
*from Mary & James Burnham*

### MONDAY, APRIL 22 Easter Weekday

5:30 PM. - +S.p. Rose Houle *from Katharine McNaughton*

### TUESDAY, APRIL 23 St. George

9:00 am. - +S.p. David Williams *from the Williams Family*

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 Easter Weekday

5:30 pm.. - +S.p. Edward Wojdyla, Anniversary  
*from the Wojdyla Family*

### THURSDAY, APRIL 25 St. Mark

9:00 am. - For the deceased Felician Sisters of the North  
American Province *from Felician Sisters*

### FRIDAY, APRIL 26 Easter Weekday

5:30 pm. - Peace in the Ukraine & Israel

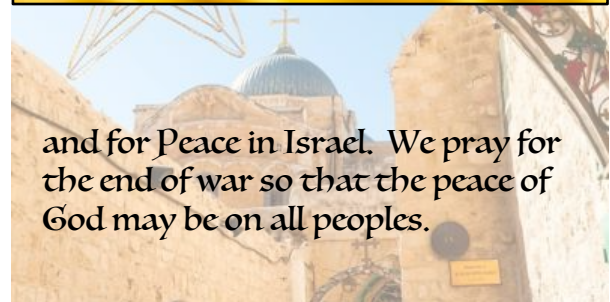
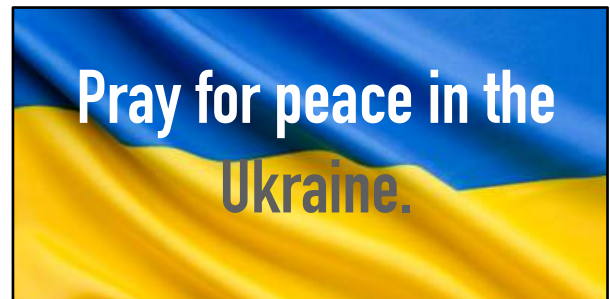
### SATURDAY, APRIL 27

4:00 pm. - +S.p. Zofia Bak, Anniversary  
*from Daughters Eva & Maria*

### SUNDAY APRIL 28 5th Sunday of Easter

10:00 am. - +S.p. Andrew Felch, 4th Anniversary  
*from Cathy Felch*

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** *Therrien Family*



*O God, You who taught St. Hedwig to renounce the pomps of this world, that, with her whole heart, she might follow the humble way of Your Cross, grant that, through her merits and example, we may learn to trample underfoot the perishable delights of this world, and by embracing Your Cross overcome whatever opposes us. Amen.*

## Parish Devotional Life

### Sunday Readings

#### Reading I: Acts 4: 8-12

Peter's first discourse is more like an "apologia" than a sermon.

In it, Peter answers the Sanhedrin's question directly.

#### Reading II: 1 John 3: 1-2

By way of the Paschal mystery, we have truly become the children of God.

#### The Gospel: John 10: 11-18

In this section, "good" really means "noble" or "ideal", and not just "good at" something or other. Unlike bad shepherds, who allow the sheep to be eaten by wolves, Jesus lays down His life for His sheep.

### Readings for the Week

**Monday** Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday** Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday** Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 Jn 12:44-50

**Thursday** 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20

**Friday** Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday** Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday** Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8



**Join us every Sunday for the recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass at 9:05 am.**



"Love the Madonna and pray the Rosary, for her Rosary is the weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother."

*St Padre Pio*



## Saint Hedwig Cemetery

71 Old Bedford Road  
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**The time will come when we will need to plan for the day when God calls us home to Himself. After a life well lived, we hope to gain our place in the heavenly kingdom with God. We will also need our place of rest. Saint Hedwig Cemetery is a place of peace and beauty to bring our loved ones to their place of rest, and for ourselves as well. As a part of planning for the future, consider Saint Hedwig Cemetery. Call the parish office at 603-623-4835 for information and our very affordable prices. We will be glad to assist you.**

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147 Walnut Street, Manchester NH - Odwiedź nas na Facebooku



**Polish Mass this Sunday, April 21, 2024**

**4:00 pm. St. Hedwig Parish on the corner of Beech and Orange Sts., Manchester, NH 03104**



A big thanks to all who volunteered to help in making the gołąbki dinners, under the guidance and

leadership of Sue Joyal and Eileen Kelley. Just like our pierogi, we make good gołąbki as well! Hope everyone enjoyed their meals.



## St. Hedwig Parish Spaghetti Supper

featuring Fr. Eric's homemade sauce and meatballs, will be held **Saturday, April 20, 2024**, in the parish hall, after the 4pm. Mass.

**Have your tickets ready for a great meal!**

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## *Zdrowaś Maryjo*



Zdrowaś Maryjo, łaski pełna, Pan z Tobą, błogosławionaś Ty między niewiastami, i błogosławiony owoc żywota Twojego, Jezus. Święta Maryjo, Matko Boża, módl się za nami grzesznymi teraz i w godzinę śmierci naszej. Amen.





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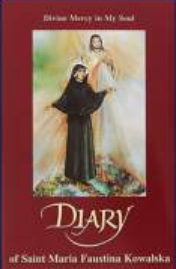
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On the weekend of May 4/5 begins the 2024 annual New Hampshire Catholic Appeal: Future of Our Faith II, One Bread, One Body (NHCA), an initiative designed to strengthen our ministries for the Church in New Hampshire and to reduce the number of annual second collections at parishes. Last year, our parish, along with the 87 parishes helped to raise more than \$3.8 million. Thanks to all who donated to the appeal last year. The NHCA supports the care for our retired and elderly priests, seminarian education and vocations, Catholic education, evangelization through Parable magazine, the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH and more. A speaker will join us on the weekend of May 4/5 to speak to us and promote our participation in the Appeal. Brochures and envelopes will be provided. Please pray for the Church in New Hampshire, that we may grow together and carry our faith into the future. For more information, go to [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). Thank you for your anticipated generosity.

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**There will be no daily Masses on Monday May 6, and Tuesday May 7 as Fr. Eric will be away on the annual Spring Priests Convocation in Whitefield, NH. Fr. Eric will be back for the Wednesday, May 8, 5:30 pm. Mass**



### **We now have Mass Cards available.**



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