

Saint Hedwig Parish

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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:

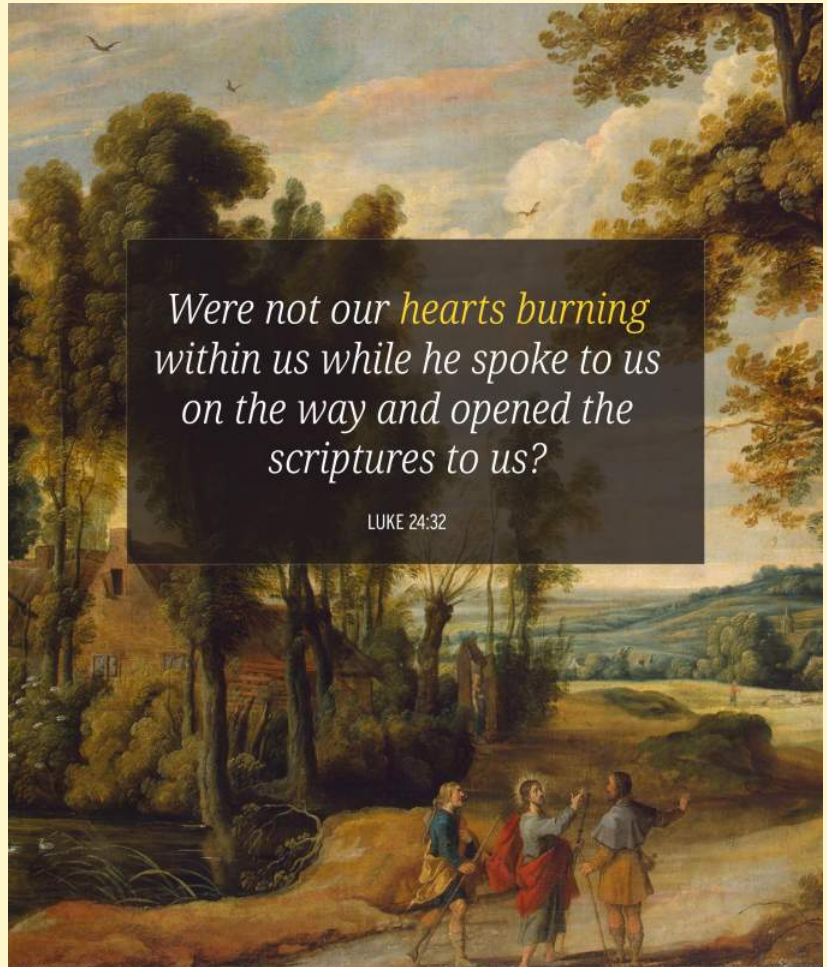
As Announced

Sacrament of Penance

Fridays 4:00 pm. - 4:45 pm.
Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Eucharistic Devotion

After the morning Mass on
Thursdays.



April 19, 2026 Third Sunday of Easter

Forty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

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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
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Offertory: *We are very grateful to everyone who contributes to the weekly collection by the collection box or on-line. Your generous and steadfast support keeps our parish running.*

Mar. 28 - Apr. 1, 2026

Weekly Giving:	\$ 1,470.00	
On-line Giving	\$ 210.00	Total: \$ 1,680.00

Holy Thursday	\$150.00
Easter Vigil/Sunday	\$3,098.00
Easter Basket Blessings	\$630.00
Easter Flower Collection	\$1,287.00

Thank You Dziękuję!



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 box or mail it to the parish office at:

147 Walnut Street, Manchester, NH 03104

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

It's a given, I believe, that a trip of any kind is best experienced with a trusted and beloved friend rather than with, say, an acquaintance of a lesser "vintage." I believe that is especially true when the trip comes after a major disappointment or setback. Such was the case when we read about a trip on the road to Emmaus. Cleopas, an early member of the Church, was walking with his unnamed friend. Both deal with sadness.

They decided to leave the scene of their great let down. That came with the death of their hero. A man they trusted with their whole heart and soul. He had been tortured and executed on a Roman cross, the worst punishment that regime had devised for common criminals. Suddenly they are joined by another traveler, who seems blissfully unaware of last week's event. But then this Stranger starts to unpack the Scriptures in a way the other two men had never heard.

As sunset approaches, the two invite the Stranger to dinner, when it came time for the breaking of the bread, they recognized Jesus immediately. Just as suddenly as He had first appeared, He was gone! What a happening! The conversion effect was wonderful. Suddenly the two

travelers became evangelists!

There is much to "unpack" in this appealing story. A Bible study group has enough material for several sessions. A preacher could "wax eloquent" and at length after his research

Allow me to pull just one phrase out of St. Luke's colorful narrative. It's the one traveler's question to his companion: "Were not our hearts burning within us as He opened the Scriptures?" Of course they were. This was the greatest bible study they would ever hear! It was wonderful and consoling at the same time. An excitement about future possibilities that flooded their minds as they listened. Such is the invitation we receive for renewal of our spirit each week at Mass. The Scriptures are always a reminder of the incomparable love of God for us as conveyed by the Spirit.

It's true that sometimes in life we feel unloved or forgotten by God. Life can pack a lot of disappointment in just seven days. So, as we fellow travelers make our way through life, we need to hear that wonderful voice giving us a guarantee. "I am with you all days, until the consummation of the world."

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

Summary of This Weekend's Readings

Reading I: Acts 2: 14, 22-33

Jesus, raised up by God, is the fulfillment of King David's vision of dwelling in hope in the presence of the Most High.

Reading II: 1 Peter 1: 17-21

Peter declares that Jesus saves us by the shedding of His precious blood. For this was He destined "before the foundation of the world."

The Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

This famous post-Easter story finds Cleopas and his companion on the road (away from the Church in Jerusalem) when they encounter the risen Jesus at first unrecognized. First, He teaches the men the meaning of the Scriptures. Later they encounter Him at the meal when He "breaks the bread."

Readings for the Week

Monday Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51—8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

Friday Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

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

Sunday Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:1-10

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 18

Vigil of Third Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm. +S.p. Elaine Perusse *from Nancy Dudziak*
+S.p. Albert Dudek, 11th Anniv.
from Dudek Family

Sunday April 19

Third Sunday of Easter

10:00 am. +S.p. John "Buddy" & Jessier Flanagan
from Family
+S.p. Emilia Szmigielska *from Daniela & Ken Cooper*

Monday April 20 Easter Weekday

5:30 pm. +S.p. Fr. Scully *from Williams Family*

Tuesday April 21 Easter Weekday

9:00 am. +S.p. Stella Russell *from Pam Harvey*

Wednesday April 22 Easter Weekday

5:30 pm. Intentions of the Hill Family
from Barbara Andersen

Thursday April 23 Easter Weekday

9:00 am. Peace in the Ukraine & Middle East

Friday April 24 Easter Weekday

5:30 pm. +S.p. Rene Maison *from Christine Czyryca*

Saturday April 25

Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm. +S.p. Stella Russell *from Peter & Eileen Kelley*

Sunday April 26

Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am. +S.p. Alexander & Mary Plodzik
& the Borowski Family



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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.



Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Vera Gorski, Jacques Parent, Kathy Philbert

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.

Sanctuary Candle

Albert Dudek

Readings of the Third Sunday of Easter

Reading 1: Acts 2:14, 22-33

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him: I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

"My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge;
I say to the LORD, "My Lord are you."
O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot.

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

I bless the LORD who counsels me;
even in the night my heart exhorts me.
I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

You will show me the path to life,
abounding joy in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.
R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Reading 2: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Beloved: If you invoke as Father him who judges

impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb.

He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Alleluia

*Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.*

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

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Easter Flowers 2026

In Memory / In Honor of:

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Larry & Janet Burgoin,

Mr. & Mrs. John Dobrowolski Family,

Maria, Adam Pitera, Janine Edmond,

Mildred Hamel

Saint Hedwig *Ladies Guild*

The Ladies Guild will have their
Mothers' Day Luncheon
Sunday May 17, 2025
after the 10 am Mass in the parish hall.



Humor



**"Mommy, I can smell spring
in the air right here!"**

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New Hampshire Catholic Appeal: Next week begins the annual New Hampshire Catholic

Appeal (NHCA): Future of Our Faith II, Jesus, I trust in You. The NHCA is the Church in New Hampshire’s annual campaign to support essential ministries and programs of our faith. Last year, our parish along with the other 87 parishes raised more than \$4.4M. The appeal was very successful thanks to all who donated and prayed for the appeal. This year, the appeal will take place over the next two weekends at Mass. The NHCA supports the Community Services program at Catholic Charities NH, the care for our retired and elderly priests, seminarian education and vocations, Catholic education, faith formation, evangelization through Parable magazine, and more! Every registered parishioner will receive a letter from Bishop Libasci along with appeal materials in the mail soon. Please keep the Church in New Hampshire in your prayers that we may join together as one body in Christ to support these ministries that serve, comfort, and bring hope to those who need it most. For more information, go to www.catholicnh.org/nhca

Many thanks to those who attended the Swieconka Easter Basket Blessings. Many people came from all around to carry on this Polish tradition and to celebrate Easter. Here are a few scenes from the day.



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