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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

Holyday Masses:

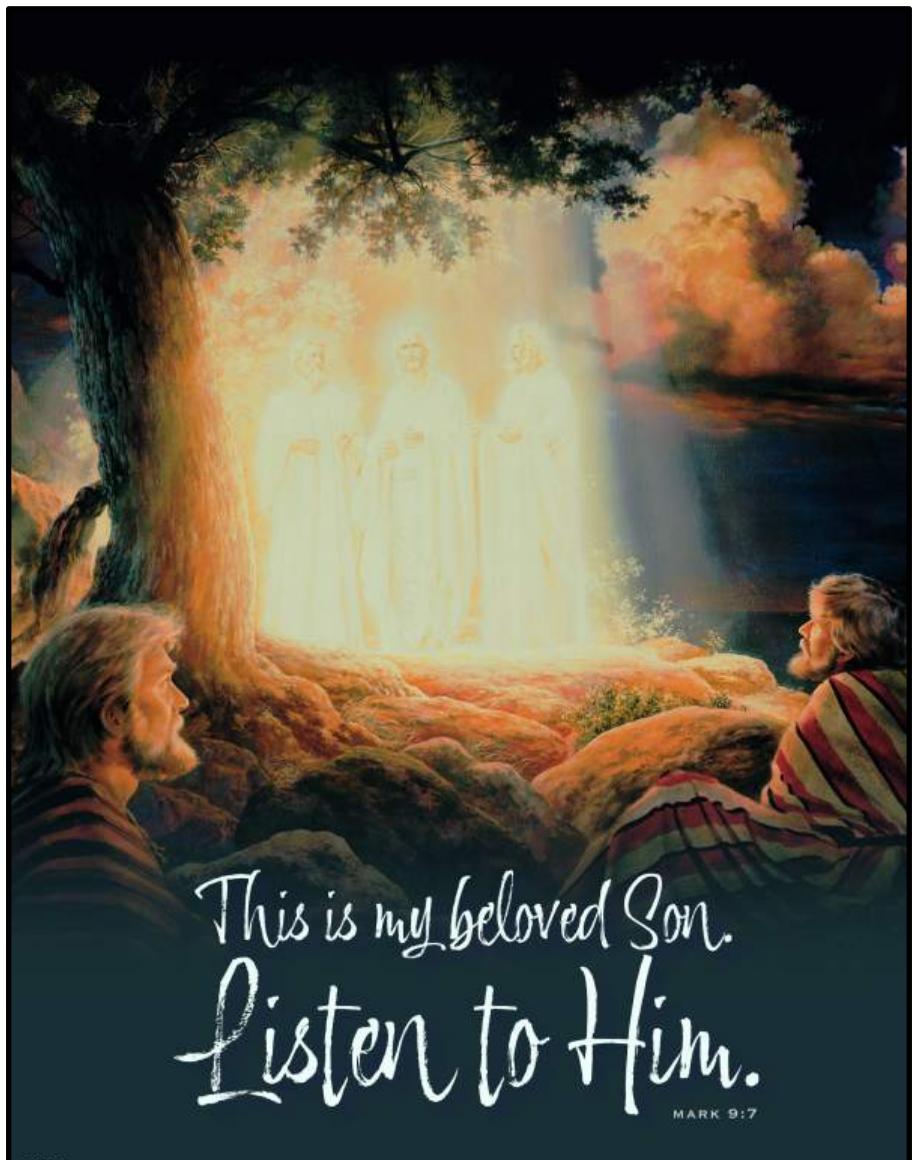
As Announced

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

Eucharistic Devotion
After the morning Mass on
Thursdays.

SAINT HEDWIG PARISH

February 25, 2024 - Second Sunday of Lent
Thirty-eighth 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

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

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

Ellie Felch **Sr. Jacqueline Kazanowski**
Parish Secretary *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
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WEEKLY GIVING

Feb 10 - 16	\$ 1,058.00
Online Giving	\$ 260.00
Total	\$ 1,318.00

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There is the option of giving on line to the weekly collection. Just go to 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 you 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

Pastor's Letter

As we begin the Season of Lent, we are embarking on a journey with Christ on the way to Jerusalem, the site of His crucifixion. As He makes His way with the disciples, Jesus teaches the good news, preaches the coming of the Kingdom of God, and heals the sick and the possessed, but He also clues us in on what His fate is going to be, much to the surprise and sadness of the Apostles.

The gospel this weekend gives us a glimpse of what the future holds for Jesus. We see the Transfiguration of Jesus. In this unique event in the life of Jesus, He shows to Peter, James, and John, His forthcoming glorification and resurrection. Jesus is dazzling in bright white, shining forth, and appears with Moses, who represents the Law, and Elijah, the fulfillment of the prophets of old. The appearance of these Old Testament figures shows that Jesus is the fulfillment of the Old Testament history and that He brings the old and the new together in His humanity and divinity, teaching us the new of love.

We may never be transfigured as Jesus was, but we can be transformed. This season of Lent provides many opportunities in which we can change those things about ourselves for the better, where we need to make improvements so that we can truly live as a Child of God, in His justice, peace, and mercy. Let us transform ourselves from the old ways of sin, and become a new creation in God. Soon, the dreariness of Winter will transform into the green and warmer days of Spring. Let us carry on our Lenten journey with hope, faith, and love, so that we may bask in the glory of the resurrection of Jesus. His resurrection from the dead gives us the promise that we too shall rise again on the day of His return and be transfigured to share in His glorified body.



Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

**Rita Haskins, Vera Gorski, Joseph Heleniak,
Julia Korona, Dr. Henry Plodzik, 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, FEBRUARY 24

4:00 PM. - +S.p. Joseph Dudziak, Anniversary
from Nancy Dudziak



FEBRUARY 25 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 am. - +S.p. Theresa LaFlamme, 23rd Anniversary
from the Family

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

5:30 PM. - +S.p. Andrew Kleczynski Lenten Weekday from Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:00 am. - +S.p. Olivia Meier Lenten Weekday from Pedone Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

5:30 pm.. - +S.p. Edward Mrozek Lenten Weekday from Mark Farmer

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

9:00 am. - +S.p. Eva Peterson, 12th Anniversary
from Robert Peterson Lenten Weekday

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

5:30 pm. - +S.p. Lee & Linda Adams Lenten Weekday
from Barbara Anderson

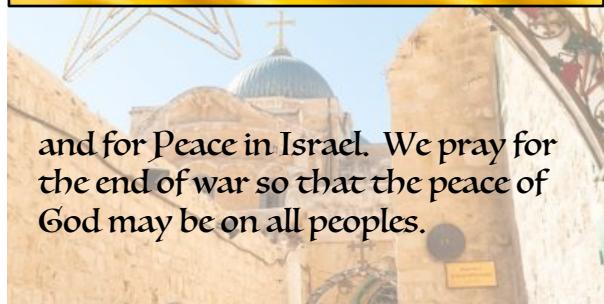
SATURDAY, MARCH 2

4:00 PM. - +S.p. Helen Warren, Birthday Remembrance
from Nancy Dudziak

MARCH 3 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 am. - +S.p. Jan, Wiktoria & Władysław Ziarko
from the Family

SANCTUARY CANDLE Parishioners' Intentions



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.

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Parish Devotional Life

Sunday Readings

Reading I: Genesis 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Abraham passes God's test of him, and we witness a powerful sign of the obedience we should give God. Reading to kill Isaac as ordered, his obedience is rewarded; the sword withdrawn, and a glorious reward is promised.

Reading II: Romans 8: 31b-34

This section is a hymn to the love of God for us is made plain to see in the Father's willingness to hand over His Son to death for our redemption, now that same Son intercedes for us with the Father.

The Gospel: Mark 9: 2-10

In the first part of this story Jesus is established as the beloved Son for all the world to know. In the second part, Jesus' obedient sonship is placed in the context of Jewish hopes about the kingdom and resurrection.

Readings for the Week

Monday Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23

Mt 23:1-12

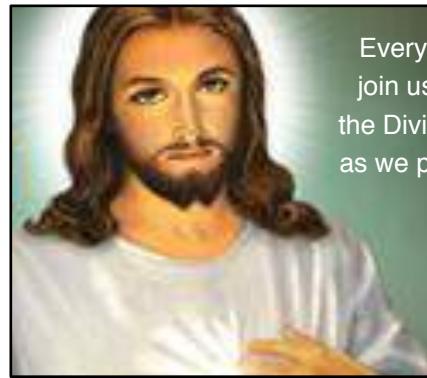
Wednesday Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 16:19-31

Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13



Every Fridays at 5:10 pm.
join us for the recitation of
the Divine Mercy Devotions
as we pray for God's mercy
on the world.

***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

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays



Come spend some quiet time with our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

**Thursdays after the 9:00 am Mass
(9:30 am)**

"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering." *Pope Benedict XVI*

*Adoration is also available at St. Joseph Cathedral,
Wednesdays 7:30 am - 6:00 pm.in the chapel (Lowell St.)*

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Lent 2024

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Every Friday during Lent

3:00 pm & after the 5:30 pm. Mass (6:00 pm.)

Lenten Practices and Suggestions

- Attend Mass daily, Mon., Wed., Fri. 5:30 pm. and Tues., & Thurs. 9:00 am.
- Pray the Rosary.
- Read and reflect on the Scriptures.
- Weekly Adoration after the 9:00 am. Mass on Thursdays.
- St. Paul tells us to pray always. Memorize a short prayer and repeat through out the day. It can be as simple as “Jesus, I trust in you.”
- Fasting from food and other negative behaviors.
- Almsgiving. We will have baskets at the entrance of the church to collect canned goods and non perishable foods for the St. Joseph Cathedral Outreach food pantry.
- Show charity by the good we do for others, assisting an elderly neighbor, showing kindness towards others.
- Go to Confession! Saturdays 3:00 pm.-3:30**



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

What is Reconciliation?

Reconciliation (also known as Confession or Penance) is a sacrament instituted by Jesus in His love and mercy to offer sinners forgiveness for offenses committed against God. At the same time, sinners reconcile with the Church, because it is also wounded by our sins.

Every time we sin, we hurt ourselves, other people, and God. In Reconciliation, we acknowledge our sins before God and His Church. We express our sorrow in a meaningful way, receive the forgiveness of Christ and His Church, make reparation for what we have done, and resolve to do better in the future.

Forgiveness of sins involves four parts:

1. **Contribution:** a sincere sorrow for having offended God, and the most important act of the penitent. There can be no forgiveness if we do not have sorrow and a firm resolve not to repeat our sins.
2. **Confession:** confronting our sins in a profound way to God by speaking about them, aloud, to the priest.
3. **Penance:** an important part of our healing is the penance the priest imposes on us in reparation for our sins.
4. **Absolution:** the priest speaks the words by which “God, the Father of mercies” reconciles a sinner to Himself through the merits of the Cross.

Act of Contrition

God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all, they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of my love. I firmly resolve with the help of your grace to confess my sins, do penance, and amend my life. Amen.

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Local Contact: Norman Thibault
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Learn more, get involved, and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the website:

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Wednesdays at Pennacook Street

Ever wonder why you are alive at this time? Maybe counseling abortion bound women and men is the reason. Please consider being a sidewalk counselor. Training is available. For more information, contact Cathy Kelly at (603) 206-5306 or ckelly@pennacookpregnancy.org.



As a part of our almsgiving for the Season of Lent, baskets will be available in the back of the church for the collection of canned goods and non perishable food items for the St. Joseph Cathedral Parish Outreach Food Pantry. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

The Cathedral Gift Shop, located at 145 Lowell St., Manchester, NH is offering all New Hampshire Catholics a coupon for 15% off their entire purchase during the season of Lent. Whether you are looking for a book to guide you through this season or a gift for someone who will be received into the Church, the Gift Shop has a large selection of religious items and sacramental gifts in stock. Stop by and visit us, don't forget to clip and bring the coupon below.

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