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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

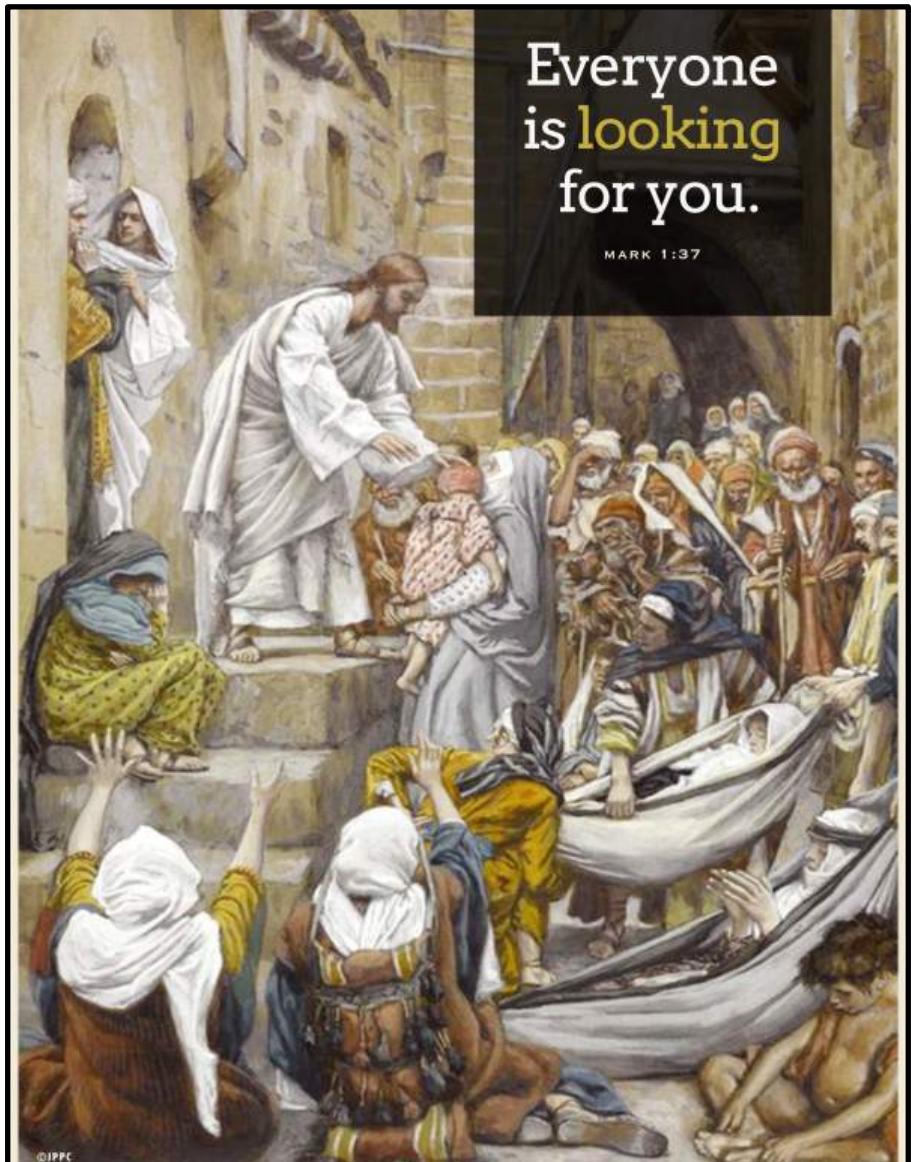
Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Eucharistic Devotion

After the morning Mass on
Thursdays.

SAINT HEDWIG PARISH

February 4, 2024 -Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Thirty-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

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*

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
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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:

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Pastor's Letter

Life isn't easy. It often does not go the way we want it to, and with it, is suffering. No one wants to suffer because of the inconvenience it causes, whether it is a physical illness, a family concern, whatever is going on in our lives that we wish can just go away.

In our gospel today, we see many people going to Jesus for a healing, for many brought the sick, the lame, the possessed to be healed. Through out the gospels, Jesus performed 37 healings and miracles. When one made their encounter with the Lord, they were healed, and their lives restored to normal. This was two thousand years ago, where are the healing miracles today? Often times we pray for a miracle of any sort, and we do not see any results, nothing happens, and we are still suffering. This can bring some to despair and give up hope.

We must not give up, but always be hopeful, for we are people of faith who believe in Jesus and all that He can do for us. Miracles can happen, we just have to wait with patience, hope, and endurance, for all things are in God's time. He hears us, and will not give up on us.

Even though Jesus tried to find a few quiet moments for Himself, He was always available for the people, to bring them back to God. He is the manifestation of the love of God in human flesh who walked this earth to begin the process of saving the world through His preaching the Good News of salvation, healing, driving out demons, and ultimately giving His life on the Cross. He conquered all things through his resurrection, and now He is with the Father in heaven. We are the ones He has commissioned to carry the work He began 2,000 years ago, to be Christ for others, to bring hope and light to a dark world.

The world and our lives can be a roller coaster ride with many ups and downs, but continue to believe in miracles, they can happen.

Ftr. Eric



Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

**Rita Haskins, Vera Gorski, Joseph Heleniak,
Julia Korona, Dr. Henry Plodzik, Phyllis Kozlowski,
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 3

4:00 PM. +S.p. Walter & Lucy Raczk from Daughter

FEBRUARY 4 5th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

10:00 am. - +S.p. Phyllis Kozlowski
from the Saint Hedwig Ladies Guild

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

5:30 PM. - For the Conversion of Sinners

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 St. Paul Miki & Comp.

9:00 am. - +S.p. Wladyslaw Piecuch from Friends

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Weekday

5:30 pm. - +S.p. Eugene Larouche from Williams Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 St. Jerome Emiliani

9:00 am. - Peace in the Ukraine and Israel

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Weekday

5:30 pm. - +S.p. Cheryl Lesniak from the Family

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

4:00 PM. +S.p. Lucien Gagne from Mrs. Simone Beliveau
+S.p. Lynne Marshall Rene, Birthday Remembrance
from Donald Rene

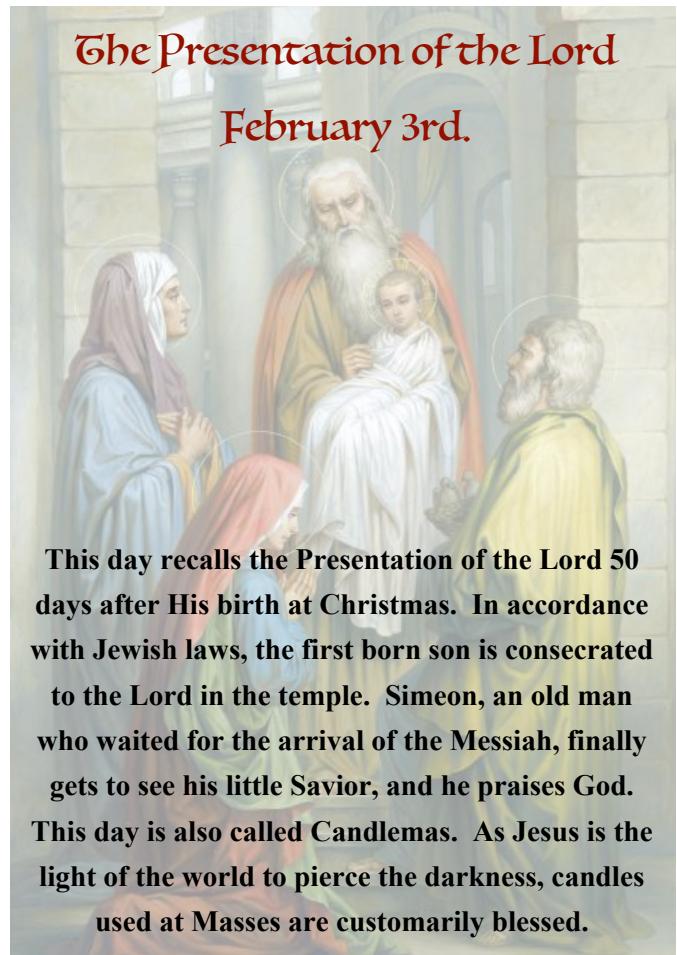
FEBRUARY 11 5th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

10:00 am. - +S.p. John L. Kazanowski, 27th Anniversary
from the Family

SANCTUARY CANDLE Ann Harvey

The Presentation of the Lord

February 3rd.



This day recalls the Presentation of the Lord 50 days after His birth at Christmas. In accordance with Jewish laws, the first born son is consecrated to the Lord in the temple. Simeon, an old man who waited for the arrival of the Messiah, finally gets to see his little Savior, and he praises God. This day is also called Candlemas. As Jesus is the light of the world to pierce the darkness, candles used at Masses are customarily blessed.



*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: Job 7: 1-4, 6-7

Job compares human life to military service, and also to a day laborer's work, and ultimately to plain slavery. At this time his life is replete with misery and hopelessness.



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.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23

For Paul, the healing of hearts is itself a blessing, flowing as it does from the gospel.

The Gospel: Mark 1; 29-39

The cure of Peter's mother-in-law happens so quickly and fully that it is truly miraculous. The evening cures so many others stresses the love and the hope Jesus offers to all those who trust Him.

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

Readings for the Week

Monday 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Mk 7:14-23

Thursday 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 Mk 7:24-30

Friday 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 7:31-37

Saturday 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 Mk 8:1-10

Sunday Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Lk 7:16

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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The Story of St. Blaise



Born, Sebastia, Cappadocia, Asia Minor [now Sivas, Turkey]—died c. 316, Sebastia?; Western feast day, February 3; Eastern feast day, February 11), early Christian bishop and martyr, one of the most popular medieval saints. He is venerated as the patron saint of sufferers from throat diseases and of wool combers and as one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers.

According to tradition, Blaise was of noble birth and, after being educated in the Christian faith, was made bishop of Sebastia. Although Christianity had been adopted about 300 CE as the state religion in Armenia, the Roman emperor Licinius began a persecution of the Christians, and Blaise was discovered and apprehended. While imprisoned, he miraculously cured a boy from fatally choking. After being torn with wool combers' irons, Blaise was beheaded.

Subsequent legends, notably the apocryphal Acts of St. Blaise, claim that, before Blaise was made bishop, he was a physician possessed of wonderful healing power. Numerous miracles were attributed to him, including the cure of diseased beasts during his refuge, thus accounting for his also being the patron saint of wild animals. He was venerated as the patron of sufferers from throat diseases in the East by the 6th century and in the West by the 9th century. Blaise's cult spread throughout Christendom from the 8th century, and many churches, such as that in Dubrovnik (a city of which he is the patron saint), Croatia, are dedicated to him.

Begun in the 16th century, the blessing of St. Blaise is a ceremony still practiced and celebrated on his feast day in many places. Two candles are consecrated and crossed before the congregation; or a wick, consecrated in oil, is touched to the throats of the faithful. This blessing may be administered by a priest, a deacon, or a lay minister. Blaise's emblems are wax, taper, iron combs (the supposed instruments of his passion), or two crossed candles; in art he is sometimes represented in a cave with animals.

There will be the Blessing of Candles at the 4:00 pm Mass, Saturday, February 3, and the Blessing of Throats after all the Masses this weekend.

Please remember in your prayers the rest and repose of the soul of;

Patricia Tucker

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

HUMOR





Wednesdays at Pennacook Street

Praying on Pennacook Street—Uber Driver Saves Baby

The Uber driver dropped off his passenger at Planned Parenthood and then stopped to ask questions of the two women praying on the sidewalk. He wanted to know how he could help a Christian friend who was considering an abortion. They gave him the number for the Pennacook Pregnancy Center. They learned the passenger he dropped off that morning was the "friend." She did not have the abortion that Wednesday but postponed it for two weeks.

The Uber driver called the number to get information and then his passenger called two weeks later. After finding out all the resources available she made her decision – she did not keep her next appointment at PP. She has since had an ultrasound and her baby is due in May. She said she felt uneasy and pressured by PP to get an abortion because if she waited she would be too far along (over 16 weeks) for the termination to be done at the Manchester PP.

Also, the Wednesday before Christmas women arrived for their abortion appointments. One stayed in her vehicle sobbing. She could be seen talking on the phone and crying. Then she put the phone down, wiping away the tears, and drove away. That's a mother and baby who will be able to celebrate Christmas Day together in 2024.

For more information about the life-affirming Pennacook Pregnancy Center, visit www.pennacookpregnancy.org and facebook.com/nhpregnancyhelp

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.



*Saint Hedwig
Ladies Guild*

The Ladies Guild will be meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 10 am in the parish hall.



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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