



St. Hedwig Parish

Manchester, New Hampshire

July 18, 2021

They were like
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WITHOUT A SHEPHERD



16th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Szesnasta Niedziela Zwykła

All Masses live streamed at sainthedwighn.org

Weekend Mass Times:

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

Weekday Mass Times:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5:30 pm.
Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 am.

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass 6:00 pm.
Mass of the Day 8:00 am.

Confessions:

Saturday 3:00 pm. - 3:30 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration:

After the Thursday Morning Mass

Divine Mercy Devotion: Friday 5:10 pm.

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St. Hedwig Cemetery

Old Bedford Rd.
Bedford, NH.

For cemetery inquiries, call the parish number.



Pastor's Letter

Hello Everyone!

Today, we hear this invitation from the Lord: “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile.” This sounds very inviting indeed. We find ourselves living in a noisy, busy world, filled with a myriad of activity, human connections, and general craziness. We turn on the TV, read the newspaper, and all we hear is bad news. Once in a while, there might be a bit of good news. With all that is going on around us, yes, we need to take some time away, to a deserted place, and fill ourselves with the silence of God.

Every year in the Fall I take my annual retreat for a week. I usually go St. Joseph’s Abbey in Spencer, MA. It is a Trappist monastery tucked away in the fields of central Massachusetts. If your familiar with Trappists jellies and jams, and Trappist Ale, it is the monks of that abbey that produce those products. Even the vestments that you see me wear at Mass are also made by the monks.

I always find it to be a relaxing time as I incorporate myself with the rhythm of the monks in their daily schedule of prayer and Mass, very early in the morning, guided by a retreat master. There is usually plenty of time for personal prayer and silence, as well as spiritual reading. At the end of the retreat, I’m ready to go back out into the craziness of the world, refreshed and renewed by the Lord.

What about the rest of us? Many may not have the opportunity like I have to be able to get away, but we can be creative. There are ways in which we too can heed the Lord's invitation to get a way to a deserted place and rest. Vacations are certainly a way to do it, but it must be time

spent being with the Lord, being quiet. Perhaps, if we should ever find some time away for ourselves, we can take a retreat day at home. Turn off the television, turn off the phone, throw the kids and spouse out the house (just kidding) and put yourself in a quiet mode for the day, or for just a few hours. The Bible is a great source in which we can read a passage from the Gospels or the Psalms and reflect on them and how it applies to our everyday lives. Sit quietly with God and tell Him how your feeling.

We can go to a local park, take a hike in the mountains of New Hampshire. There too, can we find our time to be with God. Perhaps even a day trip to a shrine such as the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA, or St. Anne’s Shrine in Fall River, MA. It’s a little bit of a ride, but that’s what pilgrimages are about. Once Canada reopens it’s borders, there are plenty of shrines to visit in Quebec.

We do the best we can to find time for ourselves to be with God, to get away to a deserted place and rest. So many followed Jesus around because they were looking for that time to connect with Him, to hear a message of hope, perhaps even to be healed by Him. Jesus is moved with pity for them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. We need to keep our ears open for the voice of the Shepherd, for He will guide us to a more peaceful way of life. The world in its craziness has lost its way, it has become deaf to the voice of the Good Shepherd, it has lost the vision God has for us, to be one with Him and to dwell in His peace, mercy and love.

Fr. Eric





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Pastor

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Parish Secretary



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



Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

*Shirley Stemska, Rita Haskins, Emily Menczywor,
Walter Gorski, Richard Radlinski*

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.



Parish Information

St. Hedwig Cemetery

Old Bedford, Bedford, NH 03103

Phone: 603-623-4835

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.

Convent

Sr. Mary Thomas Lesniak, CSSF

Sr. Jacqueline Mary Kazanowski, CSSF

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Weekly Giving

Donations received, July 3 - July 9, 2021

Weekly Offerings \$ 1,607.00

Online giving \$ 107.50

Total: \$ 1,714.50

Thank You!

Bóg Zapłać

We have made available for your use a trifold paper worship aid that contains the readings and the music for Mass. Scott, our music director, takes the time and effort to put these together so as to guide us through the Mass. Some may prefer to use these over the missalettes. If using the paper worship aid, please bring it home with you or dispose of it after Mass. If you prefer to use the missalettes, they are yours for the taking to bring with you to Mass on the weekends.



Saturday, July 17, 2021

4:00 pm. **+S.p. Bartley Cote** *from Lyndi Cote*

Sunday, July 18, 2021 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

10:00 am. **+S.p. Rada Craioveanu, 4th Anniv.**
from Family

Monday, July 19, 2021 Weekday

5:30 pm. **For the sanctification of St. Hedwig Parishioners**

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

9:00 am. **+S.p. Ralph Cleary**
from Joseph & Raeanna Williams and Family

Wednesday, July 21, 2021 St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Doctor of the Church

5:30 pm. **For the protection of the unborn**

Thursday, July 22, 2021 St. Mary Magdalene

9:00 am. **For an increase of vocations to religious life**

Friday, July 23, 2021 St. Bridget, Religious

5:30 pm. **For your personal intentions**

Saturday, July 24, 2021

4:00 pm. **+S.p. Julia Dudek, 9th Anniv.**
from the Dudek Family

+S.p. Ann & Paul Harvey *from Pam Harvey*

Sunday, July 25, 2021 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

10:00 am. **+S.p. Irene Stroczyńska, 1st. Anniv.**
from Janet Corriveau

+S.p. Rose Houle *from Gail & Pat*

The special motives for which St. Joseph has been proclaimed Patron of the Church, and from which the Church looks for singular benefit from his patronage and protection, are that Joseph was the spouse of Mary and that he was reputed the Father of Jesus Christ.

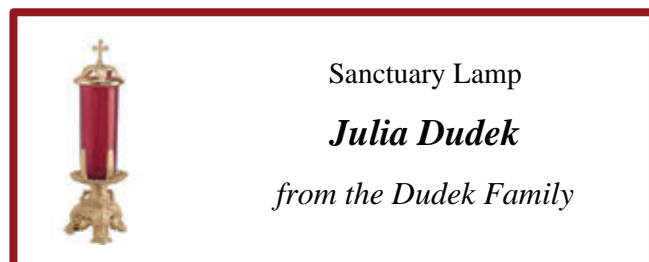
As Joseph has been united to the Blessed Virgin by the ties of marriage, it may not be doubted that he approached nearer than any to the eminent dignity by which the Mother of God surpasses so nobly all created natures.

And Joseph shines among all mankind by the most august dignity, since by divine will, he was the guardian of the Son of God and reputed as His father among men. Joseph became the guardian, the administrator, and the legal defender of the divine house whose chief he was.

Now the divine house which Joseph ruled with the authority of a father contained within its limits the scarce-born Church.

And for such reasons the Blessed Patriarch looks upon the multitude of Christians who make up the Church as confided specially to his trust—this limitless family spread over the earth, over which, because he is the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus Christ he holds, as it were, a paternal authority.

Leo XIII, Encyclical Quamquam Pluries, August 15, 1889



Sanctuary Lamp

Julia Dudek

from the Dudek Family



Parish Devotional Life

**Nie istnieje droga no skróty do miejsca,
do którego dojść warto.**

There are no short cuts to anyplace worth going.



Readings of the Week

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50

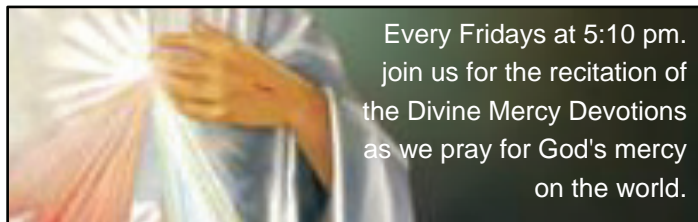
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15



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.



Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour

Join us every Thursday *following the 9:00 am. Mass (9:30 am.)*
at St. Hedwig parish to spend time in prayer and silence before
the Lord. It will be the best hour of your life. Adoration will
also be live-streamed.

**Join us every Sunday for the recitation of
the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet
before Mass at 9:15 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



Sunday Readings

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reading I: Jeremiah 23: 1-6

The passage tells readers about the future king of Israel and Judah, who will be a "righteous shoot of David." The former kings were bad actors, and misleading shepherds of the people.

Reading II: Ephesians 2: 13-18

Jesus' blood has made Him the agent of peace between both Jews and Gentiles and the same between God and humanity. He has created one new person out of the two.

The Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34

This scene comes right before the feeding of the 5,000. The disciples participate in Christ's work; then we learn His followers are in "great numbers;" and finally of His compassion for the needy crowd.

Sw. Kunegunda



She was born in Esztergom, Kingdom of Hungary, the daughter of King Béla IV of Hungary and Maria Laskarina. She was a niece of Elizabeth of Hungary and great-niece of Hedwig of Andechs. Kinga's sisters were Margaret of Hungary and Jolenta of Poland. She reluctantly married Bolesław V ("the Chaste") and became princess when her husband ascended the throne as High Duke of Poland.[3] Despite the marriage, the devout couple took up a vow of chastity. The marriage was largely arranged by, and the vow of chastity patterned after that of Bolesław's sister, Salomea of Poland.

During her reign Kinga got involved in charitable works such as visiting the poor and helping the lepers. When her husband died in 1279, she sold all her material possessions and gave the money to the poor. She soon did not want any part in governing the kingdom which was left to her, and decided to become a Poor Clare nun in the monastery at Sandec (Stary Sącz). She would spend the rest of her life in contemplative prayer and did not allow anyone to refer to her past role as Grand Duchess of Poland. She died on 24 July 1292, aged 58.

Legend has it that Kinga threw her engagement ring into the Maramures salt mine in what was then Hungary. The ring miraculously traveled along with salt deposits to Wieliczka, where it was rediscovered. On this spot the miners erected a statue of Saint Kinga, carved entirely from salt, which is 101 meters under the Earth's surface.



Our parish goal for this year's appeal is **\$3,000**.

So far we have contributed

\$1,650. Thank You!

Let's keep up the good work. Please be sure to pick up a Catholic Charities envelope if you have not yet picked one up. Please consider making a donation to support their good works.



Saint Hedwig Cemetery

For more than two thousand years, Christians have celebrated the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. After Jesus was taken down from the cross, His body was prepared and placed in a grave called a sepulcher. As Catholics, we profess each Sunday that we look forward to the resurrection of the dead. But have you ever thought about that place where you will rise? Since the very early 1900s St. Hedwig Cemetery has provided a sacred burial place for those who have died and await the resurrection from the dead. Visit our cemetery on Old Bedford Rd., and contact us if you have any questions or would like more information. 603-623-4835.



“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 for the ruin of souls.

Amen.”



How I Unleashed World War II (Polish: *Jak rozpętałem drugą wojnę światową*) is a Polish feature film made in 1969, based on Kazimierz Sławinski novel "Przygody kanoniera Dolasa" (The adventures of Dolas the cannoneer). It was shot in Sochi, Baku, Poswiętno and Łódź

among other places.

The movie tells the story of a Polish soldier Franciszek (Franek) Dolas, who—as a result of comical coincidences—is convinced that he started the Second World War. Trying to redeem himself at all costs, he constantly gets into new trouble. In doing so, he finds himself on different war fronts (Yugoslavia, Mediterranean Sea, Italy) and eventually returns to Poland.

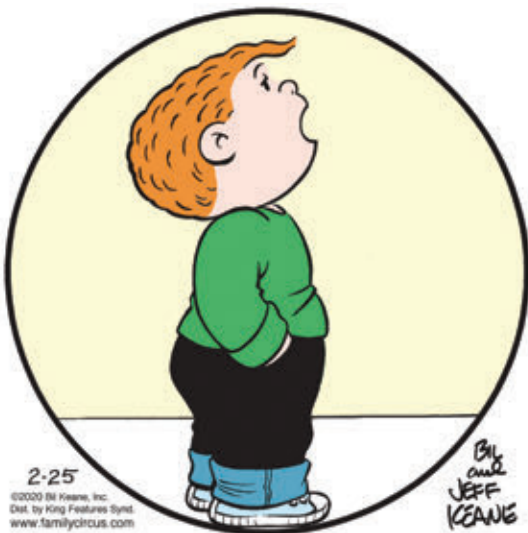
In a particularly famous scene, Dolas is questioned by a German-speaking Gestapo officer in Austria and answers that his name is “Grzegorz Brzęczyszczkiewicz” (try wrapping your tongue around that name!), saying that he is from Chrzęszczyrzewoszyce, district:Łekołody; the officer gets increasingly frustrated trying to write the fictitious Polish name. You can watch this scene on You Tube.

Please note that on Saturday, July 24 will be a busy day here at St.Hedwig parish. From 10:30 am to 1:30 pm., Eric Bermari, the music director of St. Joseph Cathedral, will be holding an Organist Clinic for parish organists to showcase our new organ. *This is not an organ concert*, but a class for parish organists. At 3:00 pm. will be a Memorial Mass Phillip Cronin, then will follow the regular Saturday 4:00 pm. Mass. Due to this scheduling, there will be no time for confessions on Saturday. Fr. Eric will be happy to hear confessions on Sunday morning, 9:00 am to 9:30 am., before the 10 am Mass. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Update: The granite benches have sold out. If you wish to contribute towards George's Eagle Scout project, your name can immortalized in stone. The project will include pavers for the Reflection Garden, and if you wish, along with your contribution, your name will be on the paver. Further details to come soon.

 **Humor**



“Do I need a reason to be in a good mood?”



Fiat is Back

For young women Ages 14-18. A day of meeting with Religious Women and exploring God’s Will for your Life! You are invited to attend our Fiat Day to spend time with other young women your age looking at the Lord’s call for marriage, religious life, or whatever. July 30, 2021 at Ste Marie Parish, 378 Notre Dame Ave, Manchester. 8:00am – 5:00pm To register visit <https://fiatdays2021.eventbrite.com/> or email rvinson@rcbm.org or call Mrs. Vinson at 603-663-0153.

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