June 20, Czerwiec 2021

**Weekend Mass Times:**  Saturday 4:00 pm. / Sunday 10:00 am.  Holy Days as announced

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

**Confessions**  Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm or by appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration**  Thursdays 9:30 am.  **Divine Mercy Devotion**  Fridays 5:10 pm.

Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

*Dwunasta Niedziela Zwykła*

All Masses live streamed at sainthedwignh.org
Hello Everyone!

This Sunday we celebrate Father's Day. A Happy Father's Day to all our fathers who are still with us and even to those who have gone on before us and remain with us in spirit and memory. We honor them for all that they do for us in raising us right, teaching right from wrong, a good work ethic, and providing for our needs and securities. Some of our fathers may have been tough disciplinarians, but they have left us lessons that have lasted a lifetime. Being a father is no easy task. The poor guy has to get up early every morning to go to work so that he could keep bread on the table and clothes on our backs.

We can take on the example of St. Joseph. This year is dedicated to him as we honor him for his role as the care taker, or foster father of the Lord. God entrusted the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Jesus to Joseph as he was a just and right man of great virtue, piety, work, and patience. We can try to imagine the life of the Holy Family as one built on the foundation of love, patience, and compassion for one another. Saint Joseph did what he had to do to protect them, even to fleeing with Blessed Mary and the infant Christ to a far away land where they could be safe. Joseph is a man of action, he never utters a single word in Scripture. Saint Joseph can serve as a model for husbands and fathers as care takers of his family.

We live by the examples they have left for us and mold and shape us to who we are today. We can offer a prayer for those who may not have known their fathers, or who may not have had the greatest relationship with him. We can only hope that God will bring peace and healing, as God is our heaven Father who provides for all our spiritual needs. The father is the head of the household, let us pray that families can remain together and for the healing of broken families.

You will see in this weekend's bulletin another letter from the Bishop to the faithful of the diocese concerning the lifting of the dispensation for the attendance of Mass. Last summer when we were allowed to gather and worship again, with many restrictions, the Bishop issued a dispensation for attendance, meaning, if you didn't feel comfortable going to church during the pandemic, you did not have to go. Now, as the Covid numbers are winding down, many people are being vaccinated, it is more safe to gather in public settings, the dispensation is now lifted and attendance at Mass is expected. Yes, there may be some who are still a little weary of returning to Mass, or there are those who are ill or incapacitated in some way and cannot attend Mass. That is understandable. Live streaming of the Mass is still available, but unfortunately, the viewing of Mass through any means of media does not count as going to church. We do what we can, and we try the best that we can to make every effort to attend Mass. If we simply cannot make it to Mass, we can reflect on the Mass in a spiritual way and make a Spiritual Communion.

Things are starting to return to normal, we are beginning to breathe again and enjoy our freedoms. We're not quite out of the woods, but we still need to be safe and take good care of ourselves and one another. Keep on praying for a complete end to the pandemic and for the physical and spiritual healing of us all.

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

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

Parish Information

Weekly Giving

Donations received, June 5 - 11, 2021
Weekly Offerings $1,367.00
Online giving $107.50
Total: $1,474.50

Thank You!

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As Covid 19 restrictions are now being lifted, for those receiving the weekly parish bulletin by mail, do you wish wish to continue receiving the bulletin by mail?

Yes ___

No ___

Name:

Address:

Please clip out and return in collection box

Pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Shirley Stemska, Rita Haskins, Emily Menczywor, Walter Gorski

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.
Saturday, June 19, 2021
4:00 pm.  +S.p. Sr. Amandine & Sr. Romuald
          from Sr. Jacqueline

Sunday, June 20, 2021  12th Sunday of Ordinary Time
10:00 am.  Families of St. Hedwig

Monday, June 21, 2021  St. Aloysius Gonzaga
5:30 pm.  For all our beloved deceased

Tuesday, June 22, 2021  Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More
9:00 am.  For the sanctification of St. Hedwig Parishioners

Wednesday, June 23, 2021  Weekday
5:30 pm.  For the protection of the unborn

Thursday, June 24, 2021  The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
9:00 am.  For increase of reverence for the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, June 25, 2021  Weekday
5:30 pm.  For your personal intentions

Saturday, June 26, 2021
4:00 pm.  +S.p. Helen Farmer, 1st. Anniv.
          from the Family

Joseph, Patron of the Dying
What a blessed death to see God before you die and for God Himself to tell you to go. This was Joseph’s gift from his Son, who would hand his father over to His Father. Thus has Christ entrusted Joseph to have particular intercessory power for all those on the moment of death.

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.”
Readings of the Week

Monday: Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5  
Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 7:15-20  
Thursday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17  
Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 8:1-4  
Saturday: Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50, 53, 54-55; Mt 8:5-17  
Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Sunday Readings

Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reading I: Job 38: 1, 8-11  
The sea is first portrayed as a baby that needed Yahweh’s care. Later, with growth and power, the sea has the strength to bring about storms that only Yahweh’s power can keep in check.

Reading II: II Corinthians 5: 14-17  
Christ’s love is a model for us. He died and rose from the dead for our sake, so that we might live a new life, one that is lived in service to others.

The Gospel: Mark 4: 35-41  
Here the stormy sea symbolizes the powers of chaos and evil that war against God. By His controlling of the sea, Jesus demonstrates what God can do, and how He thereby defeats any and all evil forces.
Saint John Cantius was born in Kęty, a small town near Oswiecim, Poland, to Stanislaw and Anna Kanty. He attended the Krakow Academy at which he attained bachelor, and licentiate. In 1418 he became a Doctor of Philosophy. Upon graduation he spent the next three years conducting philosophy classes at the university, while preparing for the priesthood.

Upon his ordination, he became rector at the school of the Canons Regular of the Most Holy Sepulcher in Miechow. While there, he was offered a professorship of Sacra Scriptura (Sacred Scripture) back at his alma mater, the Kraków Academy, which would later be named the Jagiellonian University. He attained a doctorate in theology and eventually became director of the theology department. He held the professorship until his death in 1473. Cantius spent many hours copying manuscripts of the Holy Scriptures, theological tracts, and other scholarly works.

In physics, he helped develop Jean Buridan’s theory of impetus, which anticipated the work of Galileo and Newton.

During his time in Kraków, Cantius became well known in the city for his generosity and compassion toward the poor, especially needy students at the university. He subsisted on what was strictly necessary to sustain his life, giving alms regularly to the poor. He made one pilgrimage to Jerusalem and four pilgrimages on foot to Rome.

He died while living in retirement at his alma mater on 24 December 1473, aged 83. His remains were interred in the Collegiate Church of St Anne, where his tomb became and remains a popular pilgrimage site. He is the patron of the diocese of Bielsko-Żywiec (since 1992), and of the students.

Ah the joys of parenthood...

6 year old kid:  Can you help me make my bed?
Parent:  Which part do you need help with?
6 year old kid:  The part where you do it for me.
Journey to Eagle

Hello, it’s George Farmer. I am currently working on my Eagle Project which is a prayer garden for our cemetery. The Sacred Heart statue from the old convent grounds will be the focal point of the garden. I am also looking to have four to six benches in the garden. If you would like to sponsor a bench in memory of your family the cost is $400, which would include both the price of the bench and the memorial engraving. I am also looking for donations towards other materials for the project. Any help that you could give would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for supporting my Eagle Project.

If you can help out in any way, I’m sure George would be most appreciative. If you wish to contribute, simply place your donation in an envelope marked Eagle Scout and place it in the weekly donation box. Thanks. - Fr. Eric.

Summertime in Poland

The event falls on or near the summer solstice. According to Polish legends handed down for generations by babcias everywhere, the Eve of the Summer Solstice is filled with myth, mystery and magic. Certain plants and herbs take on magical properties to cure illness. Animals speak in human voices, and the earth shimmers with transparency and the barren fern blooms for just one moment in the deep recesses of the forest at midnight on this enchanting evening with a flaming flower. According to legend whoever finds the elusive fern in blossom will soon find great treasures.

Sobótna was a festival that welcomed summer, integrating the rites of fire, water, love and fertility. The amorous frivolities of this night were a manifestation of readiness for procreation. St. John’s night wreaths called wianki, woven by girls from herbs and flowers from filed and garden, symbolized virginity, which girls were ready to offer to their boyfriends on that night in exchange for their love and promise of marriage.

Humor

NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE KIDDIES!

The Kids’ Bulletin. These are now available to the little members of our parish and a great teaching tool for parents to help their children grow and learn our faith. Take one home and let the kids have fun with the puzzles and other activities.