June 6, 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.

All Masses live streamed at sainthedwignh.org
Hello Everyone!

The rainy days we had last week contributed to some nasty leaks over the door on the Orange St. side of the church. As the roofing project is in progress, it exposed that side to more leaks, thus prompting many towels, buckets to catch the leaks and the purchase of a wet/dry vacuum to sop up the water soaked carpet. Once the copper ice belts and gutters are replaced with aluminum, this should stop all leaks in the future. All in a day in the life of the parish!

This weekend we celebrate Corpus Christi Sunday. We honor and venerate the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. On that last Supper evening, Jesus took bread and wine, blessing and consecrating it He said, “Take and eat, this is my Body. Take and drink, this is my Blood.” It was by this that Jesus instituted the Eucharist, the Holy Communion we receive every day or every week. When we receive Holy Communion, it is presented to us at the Body of Christ. Our response is, “Amen.” Our Amen means, “Yes, I believe.” We believe that Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. This is the reason why we attend Mass, for it is the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Recent polls have sadly shown that a large percentage of Catholics in the US either do not believe in the true presence or only see Holy Communion as a symbolic presence. This can be a crisis to our faith. The Church needs to continually preach on the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This is why I am a priest. With my brother priests, we were consecrated by the invocation of the Holy Spirit to re-present the Last Supper, invoking the words of Christ to change ordinary bread and wine into the extraordinary Body and Blood of Jesus. Without the priest, there is no Eucharist, with out the Eucharist, there is no priesthood.

Our worship should not be limited to just Saturday or Sunday, but it is all week long. Whether or not we go to Mass everyday, we should keep the joy of the Lord in our hearts. We prepare our hearts for the Lord's dwelling through prayer and reconciliation so as to receive Holy Communion worthily. There are ways in which we can spend time with the Lord. It can be through daily or weekly attendance at Mass or through Eucharistic Adoration. Our Lord is present in the tabernacle or on display in a monstrance for us to see and spend in prayer. We give to the Lord all who we are, all that is on our minds or in our hearts. As we see Jesus, Jesus sees us.

After the daily Mass on Thursdays here at St. Hedwig's we have a Holy Hour with Adoration. Saint Joseph's Cathedral is open all day, Mon. through Sat. for anyone who wants to spend some quiet time in prayer. They also have Adoration all day Wednesday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm., and Saturdays 8:30 am to 9:30 am. We can make a spiritual communion or reflect and pray at home.

Many are the benefits we can receive when we spend time in the Lord's presence. We can find the answer to a question, we can experience His peace when we are troubled or anxious, or we can be called to a greater communion with the Lord. Even some have come to a great conversion and turn their lives around, all because they spent time in adoration. Jesus is waiting to bless you abundantly.

Yours Truly.

June 6, 2021
Parish Staff

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

Scott Bergendahl  Dan Felch
Music Director  Parish Maintenance

Ellie Felch  Parish Secretary

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
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

Weekly Giving

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, last week’s collection will appear next week.

Please 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 5, 2021
4:00 pm.  +S.p. Mary Murphy, 20th Anniv.
           from daughter Mary McDonald

Sunday, June 6, 2021  Corpus Christi Sunday
10:00 am.  +S.p. Lena Weronik Zerakotas  from Pam Harvey
           +S.p. David Kazanowski  from the Family

Monday, June 7, 2021  Weekday
5:30 pm.  For all our beloved deceased

Tuesday, June 8, 2021  Weekday
9:00 am.  For an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Wednesday, June 9, 2021  St. Ephrem
5:30 pm.  For the protection of the unborn

Thursday, June 10, 2021  Weekday
9:00 am.  For increase of reverence for the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, June 11, 2021  Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
5:30 pm.  For your personal intentions

Saturday, June 12, 2021
4:00 pm.  +S.p. Henry Martin  from Walter & Dian Kalisz
           +S.p. Chester Ptak
           from wife Marcia, children Teresa & Joe

Sunday, June 13, 2021  11th Sunday of Ordinary Time
10:00 am.  Parishioners' Intensions

Sanctuary Candle  Lena Weronik Zerakotas

Joseph Most Prudent

Prudence is the mother of virtues which depends upon the practical wisdom gained by experience matched with an agile mind to make decisions in the here and now. Each time Joseph knew the will of God he acted decisively, swiftly, and accurately. He acted neither rashly nor timidly, but prudently.

We are happy to resume the praying of the Rosary before the 10:00 am Mass on Sundays. Please join us at 9:15 am for the recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Please Note:
Starting Friday, June 4, 2021, the Divine Mercy Devotion will be moved from 3:00 pm. to 5:10 pm. (before the 5:30 pm. Mass) every Friday. We hope to encourage more people to join us in this devotion.
Readings of the Week

**Monday:** 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 5:1-12  
**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135; Mt 5:13-16  
**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Mt 5:17-19  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 5:20-26  
**Friday:** Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37  
**Saturday:** 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 2:41-51  
*or, for the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart*: Is 61:9-11; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 2:41-51  
**Sunday:** Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Sunday Readings

**Reading I:** Exodus 24: 3-8  
Moses, as leader, ratifies the Covenant between God and the people. The blood of the animal is splashed on both the altar and the people as the sign of this union.

**Reading II:** Hebrews 9: 11-15  
Just as the Hebrew high priest had the right of access to the Holy of Holies because he bore the blood of the sacrificial animals with him, so Jesus the High Priest of the New Covenant, by the shedding of His Blood has access to the heavenly sanctuary.

**The Gospel:** Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26  
Jesus had pre-arranged the room in the upper story of a house in Jerusalem. Mark connects the bread and wine at the meal with Jesus’ imminent death.
**Guidelines to follow as we return to the public celebration of Mass.**

**For your safety:**

Please Use Hand Sanitizer when entering the church.

Masks are now recommended. They are to be removed when receiving Holy Communion and replaced afterwards. If you don't have one, spare masks are available at the entrance of the church. Please discard after use.

Maintain 6 Feet Social Distancing In Line and in the pews.

Congregational singing is discouraged at this time. There is no Exchange of Peace. When exiting the church after Mass, please leave your kneeler down so we know where to clean and disinfect the pews. We can only hope and pray that this will be for only a little while longer and return to some sense of normalcy.

“This 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.”

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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

*This Sunday, June 6, 2021 we will celebrate Corpus Christi Sunday.* To honor Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we will have a short Eucharistic Procession around the property of the parish, after the closing prayer. A final blessing and benediction will be given when we come back into the church. Please join us for this procession.

In these trying times in the Church, please pray for and support our good seminarians for the priesthood for the Diocese of Manchester:

- Christian Collopy
- Caleb Goff
- Dc. Daniel Mikolajewski
- Spencer Gregory
- Andre Nadeau
- Dc. Cuong Van Nguyen
- Eric Ouelette
- Paul Hoang Ngoc Pham
- Guillaume Temkkit
- Dc. Rory Traynor
Anyone looking to attend Mass can find one any day of the week, often offered at different times in different parishes. An interesting thing about this is if you think about time zones, and that daily Mass has been a global practice since the days of the Early Church, there is pretty much a Mass being offered somewhere continually on Earth at all times… and has been for… well a really long time! Join us in this global prayer Mon., Wed., Fri. at 5:30 pm., and Tue., and Thurs. at 9:00 am. here at St. Hedwig Parish

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me. Separated from Thee let me never be. From the malignant enemy, defend me. At the hour of death, call me. And close to Thee bid me. That with Thy saints I may be Praising Thee, forever and ever. Amen.

Congratulations to our newly ordained priests!
June 5, 2021

Reverend David Gagnon
Reverend Joseph Moynahan

Lord, grant these men the grace to accept whatever challenges, disappointments and successes come their way so that they may grow in wisdom and experience as they strive to serve you and your Church, and make them ever more attentive to the unfolding of your will for them and for the people they serve. As they draw near to ordination, strengthen their hands for service and give them a clear voice to proclaim your word. Be their example and guide. Be their strength and inspiration. Help them always to know their place as one who comes to serve and not to be served. As that day of ordination draws near, Almighty Father, lead them to lay before you all that they are; everything they have; what they know and what they do not know. Accept it, transform it, bless it; use it all for the glory of your name. Make them worthy of the trust and confidence placed in them and guard them in the ways of integrity and truth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Chalice Restoration Donations

So far we have received $655.00 in contributions towards the chalice. Thank you for your generosity! There is still plenty of time to contribute if you wish. This chalice will make a fine addition to our collection.