

# Saint Hedwig Parish

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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:**

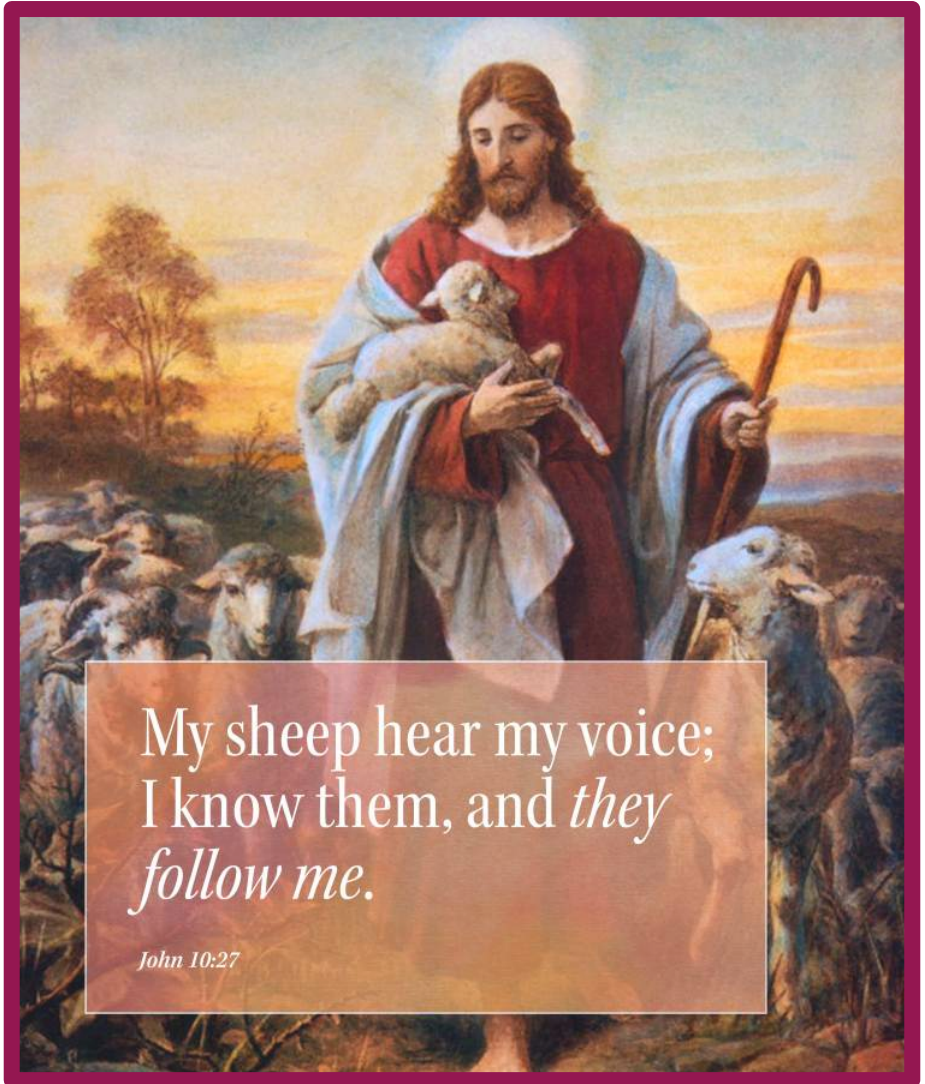
As Announced

## *Sacrament of Penance*

Fridays 4:00 pm. - 4:45 pm.  
Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

## *Eucharistic Devotion*

After the morning Mass on  
Thursdays.



My sheep hear my voice;  
I know them, and *they*  
*follow me.*

*John 10:27*

**May 11, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter**

## 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**  
*Director of Music*                      **Sr. Jacqueline Kazanowski**  
*Mount Carmel Nursing Home*  
*Volunteer*

**Ellie Felch**  
*Parish Secretary*

### 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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***Due to early submission of the bulletin, last week's collection will appear next week.***



“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.”

## 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**



World Day of Prayer for Vocations, and Mother's Day. There has been a lot of media chatter these days about our country's enemies and their threats to our country's defenses. We are the envy of many other people who share this earth with us.

More important for us as believers in Christ is the defensive position we must take to preserve religious freedom. That comes about by our steadfast fidelity to the Creed we pray at every Sunday Mass dating back to the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D.

But long before that Council, St. Paul, our greatest missionary, made it abundantly clear to his audiences that Jesus Christ is our surest defense against the main enemy of our souls: Satan the father of lies. In the present secular culture that dominates our country, where the mere mention of the word "God" makes a lot of people uncomfortable, we need to have a more robust Christian faith. I daresay it was easier some n fifty or so years ago. (I took comfort recently when I saw some television news personnel proudly wearing their forehead crosses on Ash Wednesday evening. A tiny breakthrough.)

These thoughts prompt me to remind you of one of best "tools" for a muscular maintenance of our faith life, namely the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or Penance. There is nothing like the feeling of relief one gets after a good sacramental confession.

On two other matters, the first is that today our Church marks the "World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Specifically, we're asked to pray for young men and women to consider either a vocation to the permanent diaconate, or the priesthood or the consecrated life as the case may be. Prayer is a major component, but so is your encouragement to a young man or woman who mentions their attraction to one or the other. You're helping the Holy Spirit do His work!

The second mater also on our minds today is our country's "Mother's Day." We honor that very special person in our lives. Allow me to close these reflections with the tribute of an imperfect but still very great man to his mother:

"My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her." – George Washington  
God love you and give you His peace.



***Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:***

***Vera Gorski, Joseph Heleniak, Julia Korona, Stella Russell.***

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.*



## Saint Hedwig Cemetery

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**The time will come when we will need to plan for the day when God calls us home to Himself. After a life well lived, we hope to gain our place in the heavenly kingdom with God. We will also need our place of rest. Saint Hedwig Cemetery is a place of peace and beauty to bring our loved ones to their place of rest, and for ourselves as well.**

**As a part of planning for the future, consider Saint Hedwig Cemetery. Call the parish office at 603-623-4835 for information and our very affordable prices. We will be glad to assist you.**

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

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### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday May 10**

**Vigil Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**4:00 pm.** +S.p. Lucien Gagne *from Mrs. Simone Beliveau*

**Sunday May 11**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**10:00 am.**+S.p. Sophie Dudziak, Birthday Remembrance  
*from Nancy Dudziak*

**Monday Easter Weekday May 12**

**5:30 pm.** Maury Lavoie *from Jenna Pedone*

**Tuesday May 13 Our Lady of Fatima**

**9:00 am.** +S.p. Marianne Houle  
*from Katharine McNaughton*

**Wednesday May 14 St. Matthias**

**5:30 pm.** +S.p. Emilia Czyryca *from Christine Czyryca*

**Thursday May 15 St. Isidore**

**9:00 am.** +S.p. Elaine Perusse *from Perusse family*

**Friday Easter Weekday May 16**

**5:30 pm.** Peace in the Ukraine & Israel

**Saturday May 17**

**Vigil Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**4:00 pm.** +S.p. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Dudziak, Anniversary  
*from Nancy Dudziak*

+S.p. Albert Dudek, 10th Anniversary  
*from Dudek Family*

**Sunday May 18**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**10:00 am.**+S.p. Maureen Barrett *from Craioveanu Family*

### ***Penitential Rite***

I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask Blessed Mary ever Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and to you my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy.

### ***Gloria***

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand

of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***Sanctuary Candle***

***Elaine Perusse***

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas continued on from Perga and reached Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath they entered the synagogue and took their seats. Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God.

On the following sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and with violent abuse contradicted what Paul said. Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, “It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.”

The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region. The Jews, however, incited the women of prominence who were worshipers and the leading men of the city, stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5

***R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.***

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
serve the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful song.  
*R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Know that the LORD is God;  
he made us, his we are;  
his people, the flock he tends.  
*R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

The LORD is good:  
his kindness endures forever,  
and his faithfulness, to all generations.  
*R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Second Reading : Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

I, John, had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands.

Then one of the elders said to me, “These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“For this reason they stand before God’s throne and worship him day and night in his temple. The one who sits on the throne will shelter them. They will not hunger or thirst anymore, nor will the sun or any heat strike them. For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Alleluia

***I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.***

Gospel: John 10:27-30

Jesus said:  
“My sheep hear my voice;  
I know them, and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.  
No one can take them out of my hand.  
My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,  
and no one can take them out of the Father’s hand.  
The Father and I are one.”

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

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### The Easter Flowers were given in Memory of:

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You are invited to join us as we celebrate the

### Jubilee Year of Hope

with a pilgrimage to the

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**Tuesday, June 10, 2025**

**Departure:** 8:00 AM from St Joseph Cathedral.

**Parking:** is available in the Hartnett Lot across the street from the Cathedral. Please arrive no later than 7:30 to have time to park and board the bus.

The day will include Holy Mass, opportunities for prayer, Adoration, Confession, and time to explore the 375-acre grounds of Eden Hill. There are numerous outdoor shrines and an outdoor Stations of the Cross.

**Cost:** \$50 per person.

For more info or to Register, go to:

[stjosephcathedralnh.org/stockbridge-pilgrimage](http://stjosephcathedralnh.org/stockbridge-pilgrimage)



Please remember in your prayers the repose of the  
souls of:

***Rita Haskins***

***Daniel Felch***

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**Readings for the Week**

**Monday** Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday** Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17

**Thursday** Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 Jn 13:16-20

**Friday** Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday** Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday** Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Rv



Bishop Peter Libasci has decreed a Jubilee Year as directed Pope Francis, in the Diocese of Manchester,

**The Jubilee Year of Hope**

in effect from December 28, 2024 to December 29, 2025.

Plenary Indulgence and Apostolic Blessing are to be granted to those who fulfill the norms established for the reception of the Indulgence:

*Sacramental confession and a renunciation of sin.*

*Reception of Holy Communion*

*Prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father*

*Participation in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and/or joining in procession in the Diocesan Eucharistic Pilgrimage starting Sunday, May 18, 2025 and concluding its statewide travel on Thursday, June 19, 2025.*

**Humor**



**2025 New Hampshire Catholic Appeal**

As we bring the 2024 Catholic Appeal to a close, the 2025 Appeal has begun. We finished with **\$9,095.00**, from our goal of **\$11,855**. Not too bad, and a big thanks to all who contributed generously to the New Hampshire. We hope you will continue with your commitment to the Catholic Appeal for 2025 to support the good works of the Catholic Church in New Hampshire, ***The 2025 parish goal is \$12,183.***



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