October 3, 2021

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dwudziesta-siodma 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.
Hello Everyone,

Monday and Tuesday gave us priest the opportunity to say goodbye to our shepherd and bishop emeritus, the Most Rev. John B. McCormack. He ordained me to the priesthood on June 7, 2003. No doubt he served during a rather tumultuous time in our diocese concerning the clergy abuse scandal. Through it all, he did what he could to render justice where it was due, and to keep peace and the faith of Catholics in our diocese afloat. As any bishop, he had the duty and the responsibility to care for the souls of the Diocese of Manchester. Even after retirement, he still served to assist in parishes around the diocese for Confirmations.

I had the pleasure of residing with Bp. McCormack in the Cathedral residence when I moved in, July of 2014. He had been retire for quite some time since then. I remember my first night at the rectory and for dinner it was just myself and Bp. John. I must admit, I was a bit nervous. I had never dined with a bishop on a personal level or even lived with one. Me being a shy and quiet person, awkwardly tried to get into a conversation with him, and he knew that. Over time, we warmed up to each other and the conversations would flow.

Bishop John was like a grandfather figure in the rectory for us, providing sage advice and wise counsel. There was always a laugh or two as we all shared a good sense of humor.

Bishop John was a fan of the daily Jumble and crossword puzzles in the Union Leader, as I am. The daily puzzles in the newspaper were his territory, only he could fill them out in the newspaper, I had to do the puzzles on a separate sheet of paper. Lord knows, I found that out the hard way with a gentle ribbing from the bishop. We would compete to see who could solve the Jumble the quickest, or try to give clues if we could not figure it out.

As time went on, he began to struggle with his health, no matter how he tried to keep up his health with a good walk everyday through the city. He wound up needing more care at the Mt. Carmel Nursing Home. We would keep in touch, and I always would save the daily puzzles for him. Putting them in an envelope, I would deliver them to Mt. Carmel for him. He always appreciated that. Everyday I do the puzzles, I will always remember him. Not only for that, but for being a good and gentle bishop to me when I had my struggles in life fourteen years ago.

Well done good and faithful servant! May you sleep in the peace of Christ in the hope of the resurrection. I will miss your presence, our dinners together, and your good advice.

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

Amen.
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

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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

Weekly Giving

Donations received, September 18 - 24, 2021
Weekly Offerings $1,175.00
Online giving $100.00  Total: $1,275.00
Haiti Earthquake Relief (so far) $265.00

Thank You!  Bóg Zapłac

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

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Shirley Stemska, Rita Haskins, Emily Menczywor,
Walter & Vera Gorski, Joseph Heleniak

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.

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.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

St. Joseph, the Head of the Holy Family

Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus, 19 March 2006: The Gospel of Matthew highlights in a special way the messianic prophecies which found their fulfillment through St. Joseph’s role: the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem (2:13-15); the byname "Nazarene" (2:22-23). In all this he showed himself, as his spouse Mary, authentic heir of Abraham’s faith: faith in God who guides the events of history according to His mysterious salvific plan. Joseph’s greatness, like Mary’s, stands out even more because his mission was developed in humility and in the hiddenness of the house of Nazareth. Moreover, God himself, in the person of His incarnate Son, chose this way and style of life in His earthly existence. From the example of St. Joseph we all receive a strong invitation to develop with fidelity, simplicity and modesty, the task that providence has assigned to us. I am thinking above all of fathers and mothers of families, and I pray that they will always be able to appreciate the beauty of a simple and industrious life, cultivating the conjugal relationship with care and fulfilling with enthusiasm the great and not easy educational mission.

Sanctuary Lamp

Carolyn Morahan

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Readings of the Week

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:1-2, 11; Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Sunday Readings

The Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reading I: Genesis 2: 18-24
God concludes that man should not be alone and needs a helpmate like himself. So He creates for man a woman, taken from his own body. Marriage thus becomes a necessary part of the creation story.

Reading II: Hebrews 2: 9-11
Jesus’ abandonment to death is a component of His “being made lower than the angels.” Since we have all been baptized in Christ, we have the same heavenly Father.

The Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16, or 10: 2-12
Jesus’ teaching on marriage and divorce challenges His followers in every age. However, it is God’s plan from the very beginning, presenting a positive picture of this vocation.

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.)

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
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.

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Parish Mission at St. Joseph Cathedral

October 18 - 20, 2021
6:30 pm.

“Christ-Lock: Identity Theft no More!”
A parish mission conducted by Fr. Bill Garrot, OP

Monday evening: “Living Life on the Widescreen.”
Tuesday evening: “Are you right to be Angry?”
Wednesday evening: “Equipped for Rescue.”

Fr. Garrott will lead a Rosary 20 minutes prior to each evenings mission.
Fr. Garrott will hear confessions after each mission.

Fr. Bill Garrott was born and raised in Hagerstown, Maryland. He is the youngest of eight children. He received a bachelor of science in chemistry from Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. Fr. Bill entered the Order of Preachers in 1988 and was ordained for the Dominicans in 1994. He is a member of the Province of St. Joseph based in New York City. He has a masters degree in spiritual theology from the Angelicum in Rome. He has served as parochial vicar, campus minister and director of vocations, and has preached nearly 200 parish missions throughout the United States and Canada using his musical abilities. His home base is St. Dominic’s Priory in Washington, DC.

Humor

“Preach the gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words.”
St. Francis of Assisi
October 4.

Wisdom of the Saints

From September 22 to October 31, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayers and fasting for an end to abortion. You’re also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40 day vigil in the public right of way outside Planned Parenthood, 24 Pennacook St., Manchester, and also help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like to volunteer to help, please visit 40daysforlife.com/manchester.
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