

St. Hedwig Church

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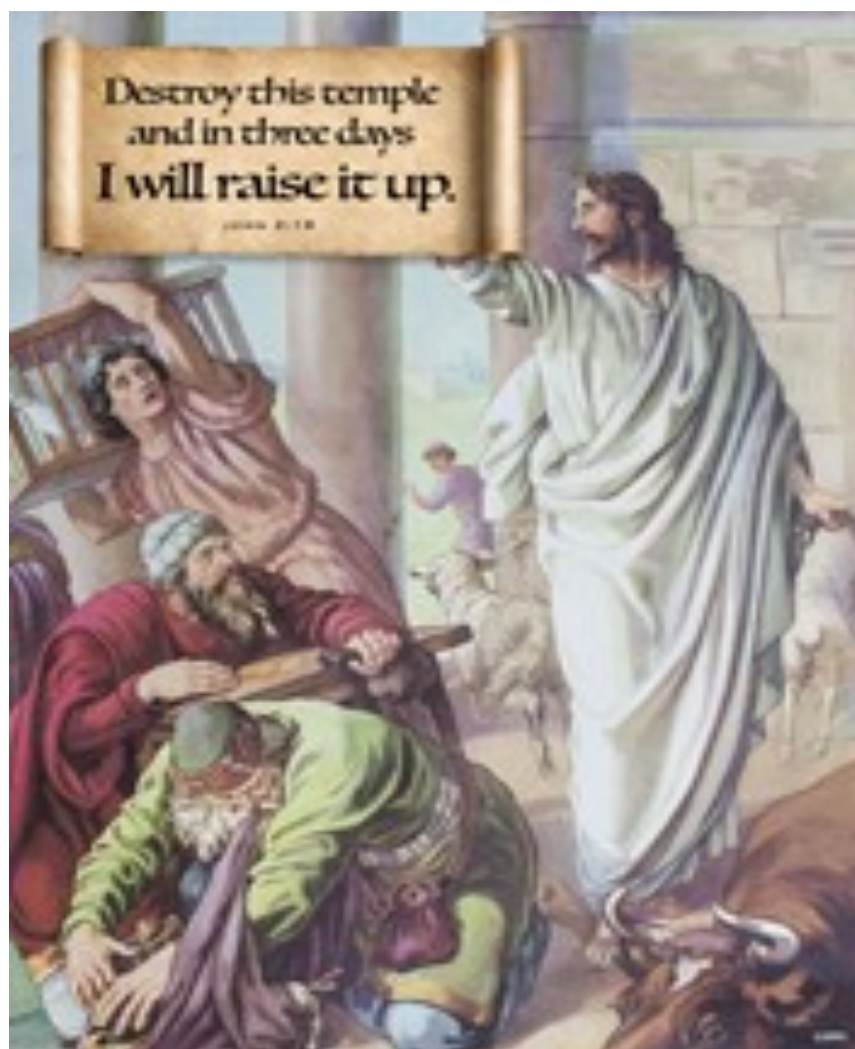
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March 3, 2024 † THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT †



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Pastor

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Assistant Pastor

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. (Polish)

4:00 p.m.

Holy Days: see website & bulletin

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Purgatorial Society Mass

Adoration: Sunday 3-4:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

(in Saint Pope John Paul II Chapel)

Monday - Friday 6:30 p.m.

(Adoration 5:30-6:30pm each evening)

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession on Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
and on weeknights before Mass

Parish Office Business Hours

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday Evening

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

St. Hedwig Church welcomes you ...

We the faithful of Saint Hedwig Parish, a Catholic Community, are committed to living and sharing the Gospel values as disciples of Jesus Christ, celebrating our lives together around the table of the Eucharist and other sacramental times during our journey of faith.



† Słowo Proboszcza †

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Much of Pentateuch is concerned with regulations that foster the life of the community and its relationship with God. In today's first reading, the Ten Commandments are apodictic laws, that is, absolute prohibitions ("you shall not ..."). The first four laws concern responsibilities toward God, while the last six regulate community life. From a historical perspective, the Ten Commandments give insight into emerging monotheism. The first commandment calls for monolatry, the exclusive worship of God that acknowledges the existence of other gods.

For a first-century Jew like Paul, the world consisted of Jews and non-Jews or Gentiles. In the second reading, Paul purposely sets up a dichotomy: Jews want visible proof and Greeks prefer philosophical thinking. Into this either/or world, Paul introduces a third possibility as a follower of Christ. This third way is incomprehensible to both Jews and Gentiles, who remain wedded to their own perspectives. And in fact, Jew and Gentile will view Christ as a stumbling block and foolishness, but to those called, Christ is both the power of God and the wisdom of God.

All four canonical Gospels include the story of Jesus' cleansing of the temple. But only John places the incident at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In John's account, we learned that the temple was still under construction, a building project that had lasted forty-six years. As Paul had warned in First Corinthians, the Jews begin to believe in Jesus because of the signs Jesus was doing. Jesus recognizes that their belief in the signs will not lead them to deeper faith, so He "would not trust himself to them." Only in hindsight do the disciples understand that Jesus' prediction of the destruction and resurrection of the temple referred to His body.

God bless,
Fr. Andrew

Kochani Parafianie,

W III Niedzielę Wielkiego Postu Kościół daje nam następujące słowa kolekty – modlitwy, którą ksiądz wypowiada po akcie pokutnym: „Boże, źródło wszelkiego miłosierdzia i dobroci, Ty nam wskazałeś jako lekarstwo na grzechy post, modlitwę i jałmużnę, przyjmij nasze pokorne przyznanie się do przewinień, które obciążają nasze sumienia, i podźwignij nas w swoim miłosierdziu.” Mocno zaakcentowane jest w tych słowach odwołanie się do miłosierdzia Boga (o poście, modlitwie i jałmużnie – uczynkach miłosierdzia, napisałem o tym we wcześniejszym słowie – z I Niedzieli Wielkiego Postu), zauważmy to jeszcze raz – MIŁOSIERDZIE! Co to znaczy dla nas?

Święty Jan Paweł II w encyklice „Dives in Misericordia - O Bożym Miłosierdziu” w punkcie 6 napisał: „Właściwym i pełnym znaczeniem miłosierdzia nie jest samo choćby najbardziej przenikliwe i najbardziej współczujące spojrzenie na zło moralne, fizyczne czy materialne. W swoim właściwym i pełnym kształcie miłosierdzie objawia się jako dowartościowywanie, jako podnoszenie w górę, jako wydobywanie dobra spod wszelkich nawarstwień zła, które jest w świecie i w człowieku.” Warto kilka, o ile nie kilkanaście razy przeczytać te słowa, aby zapamiętać je i aplikować do siebie i innych.

Nieustannie potrzebujemy przypominać sobie nie tylko grzeszność ludzką, istnienie Szatana, ale przede wszystkim Miłosierdzie Boże, do którego powinny prowadzić wszystkie nasze duchowe działania! Ono jest tłem i centrum przesłania Jezusa Chrystusa, który jest samym Miłosierdziem. Dlatego sakrament (wszystkie sakramenty) pokuty – spowiedź – zanurzenie w Męce, Śmierci i Zmartwychwstaniu Jezusa jest tak ważna, bo tam doświadczamy „dowartościowywania”, „podnoszenia w górę” i „wydobywania dobra”. W tym miejscu warto zastanowić się nad tym sakramentem, nad przygotowaniem do niego, modlitwą o dobrego spowiednika i o niezniechęcanie się pomimo kolejnych upadków!

Może warto dzisiaj zadać sobie pytania: co dzisiaj robi we mnie i w moim otoczeniu Miłosierdzie Boże? W jaki sposób zachęciłbym, zachęciłabym do skorzystania z sakramentu spowiedzi? Na ile szukam możliwości podjęcia stałego spowiadania się, aby jak najlepiej współpracować z Łaską Bożą?

Szczesc Boze,
Ks. Andrzej

Weekly Collection

Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
February 17-18, 2024
 Offertory Envelopes - \$3,256.00
 & Special Collections - \$154.00
 We appreciate your generosity and thank you.



If there are no ushers present at the Mass you attend, please place your envelopes in the donation boxes at the front and back of the church.

Hospital Visitations– Please contact the rectory at 302-594-1400, Ext. 0, or email sthedwigchurch@comcast.net if you are in the hospital and would like a priest to visit you. The pastoral services at the hospitals are no longer making weekly calls to update us on admissions.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. HEDWIG



We invite you for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint John Paul II Chapel, Monday-Friday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Confessions are heard during Adoration. Holy Mass begins at 6:30 p.m. During Eucharistic Adoration, we “watch and wait”, we remain “silent” in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. Come and pray!



PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday evening in the parish hall, immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Join us for Mass, then stay and pray! All are welcome !



contact vocations@cdow.org for more information



2023 Contribution Statements are now available.

Please call the Parish Office at (302) 594-1400, Ext. 0, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 9:00am and 3:00pm.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DEPARTED THIS LIFE DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

Czeslawa Sawicki February 10
Christine 'Jingles' Paraskewich February 19

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Remember and Pray for all who are sick in our parish and community.

Remember and Pray for all who have departed this life.

Father Andrew, Fran Golden, John Yasik, Bri Iacona, Rosalie Wilner, Mary Ann Romano, Anna Kaminska, Aleksander Bielecki, Cindy, Dot, Joe, Hanna, Terry, Lori Weikel, Erin Rathmanner, John & Sally Sitek, John & Marie Larouche, Jack & Kathy McDermott, Josephine Szczerba, Sandra Boom, Rudolf Wolanin, John W. Foskey, Sr., Joy Deluchia, Frank Kucharski, Irene Olson, Steve Fillion, Leo Rostocki and John Streck.

HEAL THEM O LORD!

Masses For The Week



Monday, March 4, 2024

6:30pm Deceased Members of the Milowicki Family
Int. Family

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

6:30pm Betty Nedwick
Int. Carol Krzanowski & John

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

6:30pm Ronald J. Szczesiak
Int. Szczesiak Family

Thursday March 7, 2024

6:30pm Erin Watson— Living Intention
Int. Suzanne Watson

Friday, March 8, 2024

6:30pm Anthony Podsiad
Int. Sisters

Saturday, March 9, 2024

8am Robert Kapa
Int. Mother

4pm Mark T. McDonald
Int. Nawrocki Family

Sunday, March 10, 2024

9am Dolores O'Conner
Int. Dolores & Bill Rybaltowski

11:30am Katarzyna & Wincenty Kurowski
Int. Daughter & Family

4pm Terry Starr
Int. Family



Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Parish Office during office hours to make arrangements for Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Engaged couples should call the Parish Office so that the proper preparation may be made at least one year in advance of the planned wedding date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: One-half hour before daily Mass in the Chapel, Monday—Friday and on Saturday from 3:00– 3:45 p.m. in Church; or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick and the Eucharist: Please call the parish office to arrange for Communion, Confession, and/or Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners who are planning surgery should contact the priest to receive the Anointing of the Sick before the surgery.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): All adults who are discerning readiness to join the Catholic Church and are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments should call the Parish Office. All are welcome.

Religious Education Classes (CCD): Children not attending Catholic School are educated in the faith through our Religious Education Program. Please contact the Office of Religious Education and leave a message at 594-1400 Ext. 4.

† Sanctuary Lamp †



signifying the Eucharistic Presence
of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
will burn this week in Memory of

Aurelia Lagowski

Requested by:

St. Hedwig Knights of Columbus

Pope John Paul II Council



Reminder: The Sacrament of Reconciliation

is offered at St. Hedwig Church Monday - Friday between 5:30-6:30pm (during Eucharistic Adoration) in the Chapel and on Saturday from 3-3:45pm before the 4pm Mass in the Church.

Please take this opportunity to turn to our Merciful God, receive His forgiveness and be reconciled with Him.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday evenings at 7:00pm in the Church

Traditional Stations in English & Polish on March 15.

Shadow Stations performed by children of the parish on March 8 & 22.

Confession will be heard following Stations of the Cross.



PARISH SOUP SUPPER

A free Soup Supper will be served in Msgr. Gulcz Hall immediately following the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent: March 8, 15, & 22. The soup supper is free. Soup and bread will be served each week.

GORZKIE ZALE

Traditional Polish Lenten Service of Hymns (Ancient chants) retracing the Passion and Crucifixion of Christ. The devotion is preceded by Benediction and chanted kneeling before the Blessed Sacrament. Gorzkie Zale (in English) following the 4:00 p.m. Mass every Saturday and Gorzkie Zale (in Polish) following the 11:30 a.m. Polish Mass every Sunday until March 22.



The Knights of Columbus Annual Easter Babka & Bake Sale!

Pick-up Orders on Saturday, March 23rd in the Parish Hall (beneath St. Hedwig Church). **9:00am-11am ONLY!**

Please note that all items **must** be ordered in advance and picked up on Saturday, March 23rd between the hours of 9-11am in the parish hall beneath St. Hedwig Church. **PLAIN BABKA-\$12.00, CHEESE BABKA-\$20.00, SWEET POPPY SEED LOAF \$18.00, BOX OF CHRUSCIKI- \$10.00 and LOAF OF (sliced) RYE BREAD \$9.00.**

CUTOFF DATE FOR ORDERING IS MARCH 16TH.

To place an order, please call **John** at (302) 992-0309 by March 16th! Please leave your name, phone number and the quantity of each bakery item you would like to order.



Krawczyk's Easter Kielbasa & Pierogi Sale

Please note that all kielbasa & pierogi orders must be placed in advance and picked up on Saturday, March 23rd between the hours of 9-11am in the parish hall beneath St. Hedwig Church.

Kielbasa \$10.00/Link (Roughly 1 ¼ Lbs.each) Smoked and Fresh. **Pierogi-** \$6.00/dozen -Potato W/ Onion Pierogi and Sauerkraut Pierogi. **Pre – Order Sales only - Cut-off Date is March 8th. Pick-Up Date is Saturday, March 23rd.** To place an order, please call or text Stephanie at (302) 256-2103.

*Cinemark Movies 10
1796 West Newport Pike
Wilmington, DE 19804*

Please join Fr. Adam and fellow parishioners of St. Hedwig on Sunday, March 10 at the 3:15pm showing of "Cabriní"



Those who are interested in going should plan on meeting us in the lobby of the movie theatre at 2:45pm.

Tickets can be purchased in advance by visiting Cinemark.com (\$6.25) or Angel.com/tickets/Cabriní (\$4.50)

Hope to see you there!