



St. Hedwig Church

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May 28, 2023 † Pentecost Sunday †



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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 5:30-6:25pm 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,

The coming of the Holy Spirit in Acts is depicted as both a visual and sonic event. Tongues of flames separate and come to rest on everyone gathered in the upper room, who are immediately filled with the Holy Spirit. The first tangible gift of the Spirit is the ability of the disciples to speak in different tongues (Acts 2:4). The sound of the “strong driving wind” attracts the attention of passers-by, but it is the speech of the disciples that confounds them (Acts 2:6). Those gathered outside had come from various parts of the empire and beyond. They spoke a multiplicity of languages, and yet “each one heard them speaking in his own language” (Acts 2:6). Jesus had told the disciples that the Spirit would teach them what to say (Luke 12:12), and in today’s reading, those disciples are not only given the words to speak but the ability to communicate in every language. This reversal of the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9) testifies to the nearness of the reign of God (Luke 21:15).

Paul’s beautiful description of the workings of the Spirit and the metaphor of the body as a unity of many parts provides a vivid image of new life in Christ. But his words were not meant as poetic utterances. Rather, Paul is attempting to counter the schisms arising within the Corinthian community (1 Corinthians 10). The community seems to have misinterpreted Paul’s theology of the Spirit. They now argue over who has the greatest spiritual gift. So Paul answers, “There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same ‘Spirit’ (1 Corinthians 12:4), and each gift is given for the benefit of the community.

When Mary Magdalene found the empty tomb, Peter and John were needed as official witnesses (John 20:3). Now in today’s gospel reading, Jesus’ physical body testifies that he is truly Jesus and is indeed resurrected (John 10:20). The importance of the body as proof is made explicit in the encounter with Thomas (John 20:27). Because Jesus is resurrected and therefore fully glorified, he is able to impart his Spirit, the Advocate whom he promised (John 14:25). With Jesus’ Spirit, the disciples now share fully in his mission: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you” (John 20:21).

God Bless,
Fr. Andrew

Kochani Parafianie,

Czytając co roku opis Zesłania Ducha Świętego i przeżywając na swój sposób tajemnice tego Święta, musimy zawsze pamiętać, że pozostaje ona w ścisłym związku z nakazem misyjnym Jezusa, czyli z poleceniem, które jako testament Jezusa brzmi: “Idać na cały świat głosić Ewangelię wszelkiemu stworzeniu”. Udzielony apostołom w dniu Zesłania Ducha Świętego dar języków miał umożliwić wypełnianie tego nakazu. “Zaczeli mówić obcymi językami”. Jakże się to marzy niejednemu, zwłaszcza młodemu człowiekowi, uczącemu się mozolnie obcego języka. Warto by jednak pamiętać, gdy się już jako tako posiadzie znajomość obcej mowy, żeby ona w naszym użyciu też służyła czasem głoszeniu Ewangelii czyli opowiadaniu o wielkich dziełach Bożych. Wszyscy jesteśmy do tego zobowiązani i otrzymujemy moce potrzebne do naszego apostołowania w Sakramencie bierzmowania.

O niezbędności pomocy Ducha Świętego w dziele chrześcijańskiego świadczenia mówi także św. Paweł w drugim czytaniu z dzisiejszej liturgii Słowa. “Nikt nie może powiedzieć bez pomocy Ducha Świętego: Panem jest Jezus”. Każde nasze, nawet najkrótsze wyznanie wiary jest dziełem nie tylko naszym, lecz także Ducha Świętego.

Owe pomoce, dary Ducha Świętego mogą też przybierać bardzo różnoraką postać i one to wprowadzają różnorodność do naszego chrześcijańskiego życia. To właśnie dlatego jedni ludzie żyją w małżeństwie i zakładają własne rodziny, inni skuteczniej zmierzają do Boga drogą życia bezzennego; różne są zgromadzenia zakonne, różne szkoły ascetyczne. Ale u źródeł tych wszystkich nadprzyrodzonych pomocy znajduje się ten sam Bóg. Paweł mówi wyraźnie: “Różne są dary łaski... różne rodzaje posługiwania... różne działania, lecz ten sam Bóg”. I dlatego nie ma darów gorszych i lepszych.

Szczesc Boze,
Ks. Julian

Weekly Collection

Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

May 14, 2023

Offertory Envelopes - \$3,072.00
& Special Collections - \$692.00



If there are no ushers at the Mass you attend, please put your collection envelopes in the donation boxes in the front and back of the church. Thanks for your help!

Due to our publishing company relocating, bulletins will not be delivered to the parish until Friday or Saturday during the month of May. Thanks for your patience and understanding during this transition.

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!

Millions of Monicas – Many people have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the church entirely. The Millions of Monicas prayer ministry supports mothers in this situation. Following the example of St. Monica, these mothers come together weekly to persevere in prayer for the children’s joyful return to full unity with the Catholic Church. Meetings are held every Monday from 6:30-7:30pm at St. Patrick’s Church, 1414 North King Street, Wilmington. For more info: www.millionsofmonicas.com



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!

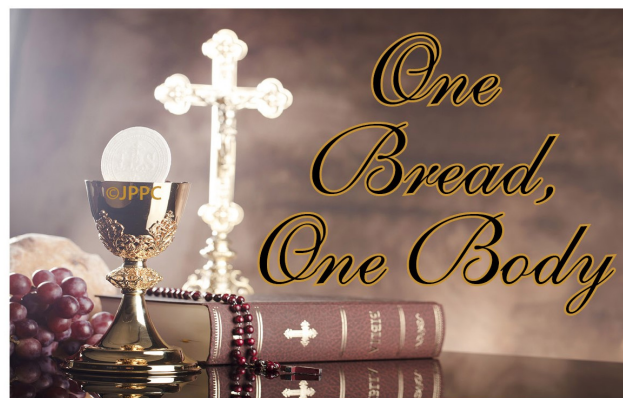


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*St. Hedwig's May Procession
Sunday, May 7, 2023*

30th of every month: Nine month novena leading to The Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage, Sept. 30.

The Pilgrimage is a full-day event celebrating the Rosary at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Hosted by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph, this event will include conferences on the Rosary preached by the friars, several hours of Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions, a recitation of the Rosary and Mass in the Upper Church, and a Eucharistic Procession. For more information, [@DominicanRosary](http://Rosarypilgrimage.org) or apiscarik@gmail.com.



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, Katie, Joe Rybaltowski, Fran Golden, John Yasik, Bri Iacona, Rosalie Wilner, Mary Ann Romano, Anna Kaminska, Wanda Weikel, Aleksander Bielecki, Sharon Kozlowski, Cindy, Dot, Joe, Hanna, Terry, Lori Weikel, Erin Rathmanner, John & Sally Sitek, John & Marie Larouche, Jack & Kathy McDermott, Rudolf Wolanin, Josephine Szczerba, Emma Kozlowski, Terri Starr, Francis Lally, Joy Deluchia, John W. Foskey, Sr., Gail Hawke and Frank Kucharski

HEAL THEM O LORD!

Masses For The Week



Saturday, May 27, 2023

- 8am Deceased Members of the Milowicki Family
Int. Family
- 4pm Agnieszka & Jozef Halabura
Int. Basia

Sunday, May 28, 2023

- 9am John (Dal) Byers
Int. Coleen & Gary Michalowski
- 11:30am Petronela Zagrodzka-O'zdrowie
Int. Daughter
- 4pm Marie E. Foskey (B)
Int. Suggie, Gary, John, Jr., & John, Sr.

Monday, May 29, 2023 (Memorial Day)

- 9am Antoinette Ragan
Int. Bill & Dolores Rybaltowski

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

- 6:30pm Richard Wykpisz
Int. Family

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

- 6:30pm Gabby Migdalski
Int. Maria Migdalski

Thursday, June 1, 2023

- 6:30pm Mary Sitek (A)
Int. John & Sally Sitek

Friday, June 2, 2023

- 6:30pm Purgatorial Society Members

Saturday, June 3, 2023

- 8am Paul Pietras
Int. Margie, MaryAnn & Helena
- 4pm Hedwig Olszewski
Int. Sisters

Sunday, June 4, 2023

- 9am Living & Deceased Members of Holy Rosary Society
- 11:30am Jozef Zagrodzki
Int. Daughter
- 4pm Joe Dorsey (B)
Int. Wife, Dorothy & 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—Thursday 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

Marie Foskey (B)

as requested by

Family

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Monday thru Friday - Eucharistic Adoration, St. John Paul II Chapel 5:30-6:30pm.
- Family Mass - 9:00am first Sunday every month.
- Rosary Mass - 8:30am first Sunday after the first Friday every month.
- Confessions - Every evening during Adoration & 1/2 hour before Masses.
- Blessing of Religious Articles - Second weekend of each month after all Masses.
- Healing of the Sick - Third weekend of each month after 4pm Sunday Mass.
- Prayer Group - Meeting every Thursday after 6:30pm Mass.
- Flame of Love - Meets the 2nd & 4th Saturday after 4pm Mass in Gulch Hall
- Knights of Columbus - Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each Month. John Lagowski is the Grand Knight his phone # is: 302-992-0309
- May 28th - Pentecost Sunday
- May 29th - Memorial Day 9am Mass
- May 31st - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- June 4th - The Most Holy Trinity
- June 7th - Parish Council Meeting
- June 11th - Corpus Christi
- June 16th - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- June 17th - The Immaculate Heart of Mary



June 5-10, 6-10 p.m.: St. John the Beloved Carnival, 907 Milltown Rd., Wilmington. Large assortment of rides, live music each evening, and a choice of food and beverage options. A 50/50 will take place each night as well. Advance ride tickets are available after each Mass at St. John the Beloved for the two weekends ahead of the carnival. Tuesday night will be family night, when all-you-can-ride wristbands will be available to purchase. There is no admission fee to the grounds. The carnival benefits St. John the Beloved Parish and its athletic association. More information, (302) 999-0211 or sjbde.org/



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The program is open to people 16 years of age or older. Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?

Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation? Have you been away from the church, returned and would like to know more about the Catholic Church? If any of these questions apply to you, you might want to consider participating in the R.C.I.A. process. Or, if you know of anyone who could answer yes to any of these questions, perhaps you could extend an invitation to them. If you are interested and have questions, or would like to register, please call the rectory office at (302)594-1400, ext. 0. R.C.I.A. classes are held one evening each week at 7:15 p.m. in the parish rectory and will begin in late November. There is no cost for the program and all materials will be provided. We welcome everyone to the program.

Coordinator of Religious Education

St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Wilmington, DE is seeking a part-time Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE). Primary responsibility for coordination and oversight of the traditional parish religious education program, and sacramental preparation. Secondary responsibility for general support of Faith Formation events and programs. To apply please email resume to: religious-education@scswilmde.org



June 11-18: Italian Festival, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 901 N. Dupont St., Wilmington. Festival is open 4-10:30 p.m. on June 11 and June 17, 6-10:30 p.m. June 12-16, and 2-6 p.m. on June 18. Daily admission fee, but eight-day passes will be available. It will be primarily cashless, so patrons will be required to pay for most purchases with a credit card or festival gift card. Contemporary and traditional Italian music will be available at several venues throughout the week. Returning in 2023 is entertainment in the ballad room. Bruce Anthony will perform on June 14-16, and Frank & Michelle will be there on the 17th. Various food options will be available, and the usual rides and games will be on Father Tucker Field, and surrounding streets. More information, sapde.org/italianfestival