

# St. Hedwig Church

408 S. Harrison Street, Wilmington, Delaware, 19805

## Parish Office

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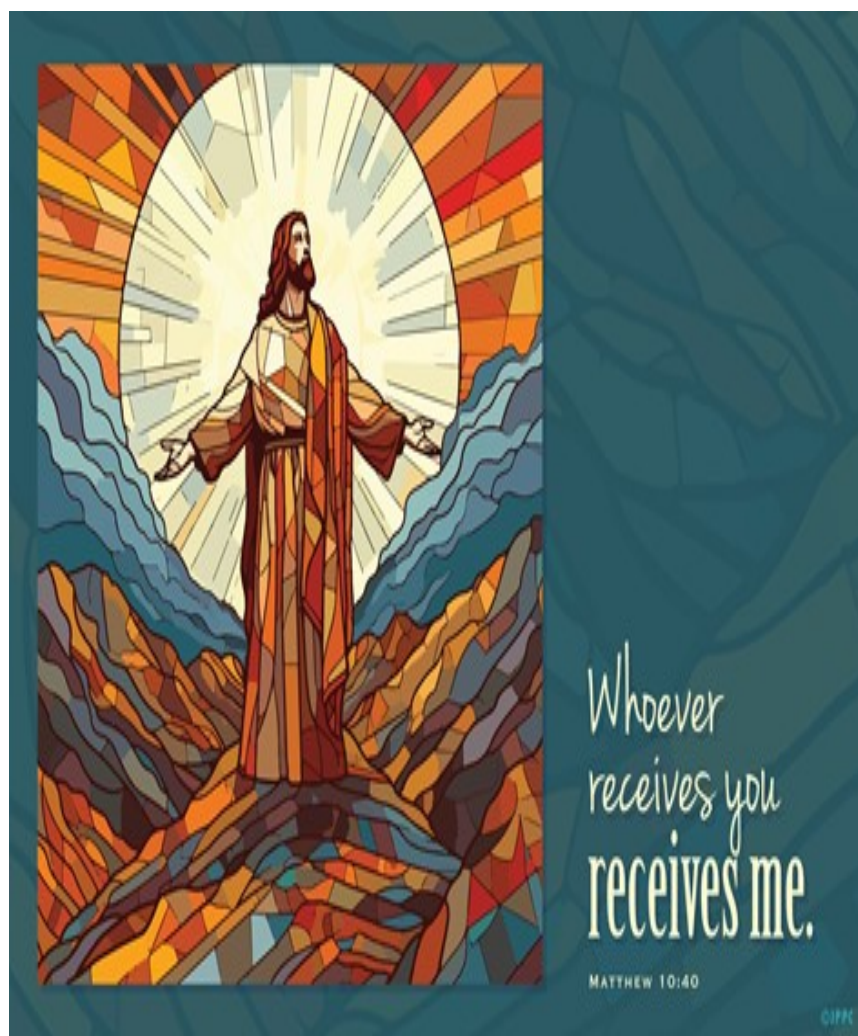
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July 2, 2023 † Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time †



**Fr. Andrew Molewski**  
Pastor

**Fr. Julian Kaczowka, SChr**  
Assistant Pastor

**Deacon Ray Zolandz**

## 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.*



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The stories of the prophets Elijah and Elisha form a cycle of stories incorporated within First and Second Kings. As Elijah's protégé, Elisha accomplishes similar miracles. But today's first reading does not focus on Elisha's prophetic abilities ("This time next year you will be cradling a baby son," v. 16) as much as it portrays the receptivity and hospitality of the Gentile Shunammite woman and her husband ("Let us arrange a little room on the roof," v. 10). The woman's kindness to Elisha is repaid when she bears a son (v.17), and later Elisha raises the child from the dead (vv. 32-35).

The belief that God granted salvation despite our "wickedness" may have led some Roman Christians to continue in sinful behavior (Romans 3:5-8). In two verses preceding today's second reading, Paul poses a question, "Shall we persist in sin that grace may abound?" (Romans 6:1). This confrontational question sets up Paul's answer. Those who have been baptized into Christ's death have died to sin. If the wages of sin are death, and Christ has been raised from the dead, then all who have been baptized in Christ will also be raised to new life with God. The new life precludes sin.

The gospel reading continues the missionary discourse (Matthew 10:5-42) addressed to Jesus' disciples—and indirectly to Matthew's church community. Total renunciation of familial responsibilities and a willingness to take up the cross and follow Jesus are expectations of a true disciple. But Jesus also states expectations and promises rewards for those who receive the disciples. Scholars suggest that in these verses Matthew is directing his own community to respond with hospitality and receptivity to God's disciples, prophets, holy people, and "little ones" who come in the name of the Lord. Similarly the Didache, an early Christian manual (late first century to early second century), described the expectations and limits of hospitality for wandering prophets.

God bless,  
Fr. Andrew

## † Słowo Proboszcza †

Kochani Parafianie,

W ubiegłą niedzielę liturgia Słowa podsunęła nam pod rozwagę temat międzyludzkich przyjaźni. Warto zapytać mimochodem, jak to było z tymi przyjaźniami w naszym codziennym życiu podczas minionego tygodnia?

Dzisiaj temat nie mniej ważny, bardzo zresztą bliski przyjaźni: gościnność! Gościnność jest często wspomniana w Biblii, zawsze jako pewna forma miłości bliźniego i równie jak sama miłość bliźniego jest ludziom zalecana, zarówno w Starym jak i Nowym Testamencie. Gościnność niekoniecznie na tym polega, że dzielimy się z kims dobrami materialnymi, że musi kosztować i da się wymierzyć tylko dobrami materialnymi. Prawdziwa gościnność – to sprawa serca, prostoty, szczerości, otwarcia się na drugiego człowieka. Tak rozumiana gościnność znajduje się w najstarszych katalogach dobrych uczynków. Nawet po ludzku sadzić zawsze się opłaca, tak jak owej niewieście, z której gościnności korzystał Elizeusz. A wiadomo przecież, że oprócz tego tylko ludzkiego, są jeszcze inne systemy kalkulacji.

Szczesc Boze,  
Ks. Julian

## Called to Serve ~ Lectors

*Become a lector and pass on the joy of scripture. If you would like to serve as a lector at any of the weekend Masses, please contact Dot Dorsey (302-455-0329) to be added to the roster. The schedules are flexible. If you have questions about what is involved, please contact Dot Dorsey or Sandi Murphy (484-343-5776) to learn more about what a lector does and what helpful resources are available. Please consider actively participating in the Liturgy of the Word.*



*Thanks to all whose prayers and contributions have made this year's Annual Catholic Appeal a success! The parish has met its goal of \$25,000, money which will help support Catholic Charities, Catholic education programs and Vocations.*

## Weekly Collection

Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
**June 18, 2023**

Offertory Envelopes - \$2,828.00  
& Special Collections - \$561.00



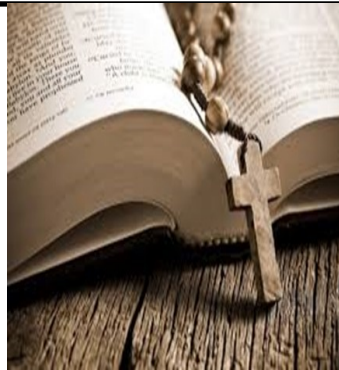
## WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. HEDWIG



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!



*If there are no ushers present 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!*



### 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!

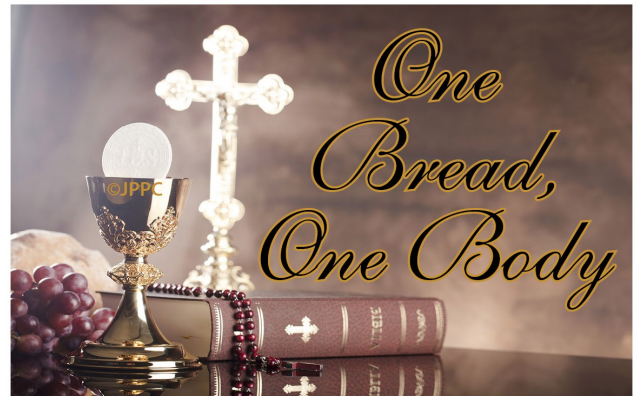


### LET FREEDOM RING PRAYER SERVICE

Deacon David Feaster will lead a Let Freedom Ring Prayer Service on Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4 at St. Francis Xavier Shrine at Old Bohemia Mission in Warwick, MD. The service will start at 1:30 PM. Let Freedom Ring was established to revive the spirit of patriotism and provide a dignified ceremony for millions of Americans who love their country and have faith in its future.

The rectory museum will be open at noon for tours. The Shrine is located at 1690 Bohemia Church Road in Warwick, MD. Email [OldBohemiaHS@gmail.com](mailto:OldBohemiaHS@gmail.com) or call 302.545.2126 for additional information.

*July 16: Prayers for Bishop Koenig as part of The Shepherd Project, an initiative to pray for a specific bishop each day, coordinated by the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion in New Franken, Wis. Described as “a season of prayer for each and every bishop across the United States, starting from the shrine’s location in Wisconsin and emitting outward as the year goes on,” the prayer project is scheduled to go until the end of October. More information, go to the Our Lady of Champion website, [champion-shrine.org/shepherd-project/](http://champion-shrine.org/shepherd-project/)*



### 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, Francis Lally, Joy Deluchia, John W. Foskey, Sr., Gail Hawke, Sandra Boom, Phil Hill and Frank Kucharski

**HEAL THEM O LORD!**

## Masses For The Week



### Saturday, July 1, 2023

- 8am Stella Mondzelewski  
Int. Daughter, Linda
- 4pm Barry Deleski  
Int. Christine & Steve Paraskewich

### Sunday, July 2, 2023

- 9am Edward Czarnecki  
Int. Linda
- 11:30am George Wykpisz  
Int. Patricia Wykpisz
- 4pm John J. Gaworski, Sr.  
Int. Mary Gaworski

### Monday, July 3, 2023

- 6:30pm Deceased Alumni of St. Hedwig High  
School—Class of 1966  
Int. Janice

### Tuesday, July 4, 2023

- 9am Parishioners & Benefactors

### Wednesday, July 5, 2023

- 6:30pm James Grady  
Int. Suzanne Watson

### Thursday, July 6, 2023

- 6:30pm Rev. Walter W. Lukaszewski  
Int. St. Hedwig Holy Rosary Society

### Friday, July 7, 2023

- 6:30pm Purgatorial Society Members

### Saturday, July 8, 2023

- 8am Parishioners & Benefactors
- 4pm Terry Starr  
Int. David & Terry Haar

### Sunday, July 9, 2023

- 9am Living & Deceased Members of Holy  
Rosary Society
- 11:30am Kazimierz Leonarski  
Int. Friend, Bozena
- 4pm Living Intentions & Blessings for Deacon  
Ray & Family  
Int. Holy Rosary Society



**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  
Deceased Members of the  
Knights of Columbus  
Pope John Paul II Council



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

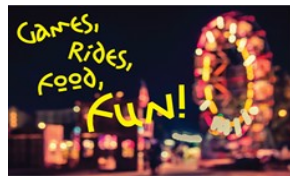
- Monday thru Friday - Eucharistic Adoration, St. John Paul II Chapel 5:30-6:30pm.
- Family Mass - 9:00am first Sunday every month.
- Rosary Mass - 8:30am first Sunday after the first Friday every month.
- Confessions - Every evening during Adoration & 1/2 hour before Masses.
- Blessing of Religious 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
- July 1st- First Saturday
- **July 4th— Independence Day—Mass at 9am only. Parish Office is closed July 3rd & 4th**
- July 6th- St. Maria Goretti
- July 8th-Blessed Virgin Mary
- July 14th-St. Kateri Tekakwitha
- July 22nd-St. Mary Magdalene
- July 26th— Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary



## 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.



**July 12-16: SummerFest** at Holy Family Parish, 15 Gender Rd., Newark, Wednesday-Friday from 5:30-10 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 1:30-10 p.m.

No admission fee. Rides, games and food, live entertainment under the big tent each night from 6:30-9 p.m. Also a beer garden and bar, raffles and instant pull tab games. For more information, call the parish office at (302) 368-4665 or [www.holyfamilynewark.org](http://www.holyfamilynewark.org).



Join Bishop Koenig and fellow pilgrims for the Diocesan Annual Marian Pilgrimage to be held at the Basilica of the **National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C on Saturday, October 7, 2023**, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

St. Hedwig's Church wants to plan a bus trip to the Basilica, and would like to know how many may be interested in going. Please contact the office for more information, 302.594.1400, Ext. 0 or email [sthedwigchurch@comcast.net](mailto:sthedwigchurch@comcast.net)



*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](http://www.millionsofmonicas.com)