

St. Hedwig Church

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JULY 13, 2025 † FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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. Fr. Andrew Molewski Pastor

Fr. Janusz Brembor Associate 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 Pope Saint 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.



Dear Parishioners & Friends, The first reading is taken from the third section of Deuteronomy, in which Moses offers an extended address to the people after having revealed the words of the covenant.

The people are called together in order to ratify the covenant that they have just received. In our reading, Moses emphasizes that the people are to respond to the law with their whole heart and being. The "command" is not distant or difficult to understand, as it has already been recited ("in your mouths," v. 14) and internalized ("in your hearts," v. 14) Israel has merely to obey and the blessings of God (land and progeny) will be theirs (v. 15). The reading from Colossians is a Christological hymn evoking images from Wisdom literature. In vv. 9-13, the believers are exhorted to lead a life worthy of the Lord. In our reading, vv. 15-20 describe the identity of this Lord and His effect. He is preeminent, and by His blood on the cross, He has effected reconciliation and peace. Following in vv. 21-23, the believers are reminded that we have been reconciled by His death if we continue in faith. Though the Samaritan towns refuse to offer Jesus hospitality (Luke 9:52-53; Thirteenth Sunday), Jesus nonetheless uses a parable about a Samaritan as the example of truly fulfilling the law and therefore assuring oneself of eternal life. The priest and Levite may have avoided the wounded man out of concerns for ritual purity. The Samaritan would have no such limitation. He is described as responding out of compassion (v. 33). He not only attends to the immediate needs, but also goes a step further and pays for his continued care. In Luke, Jesus expects exemplary ethical behavior from his disciples.

God bless, Fr. Andrew





WEEKLY OFFERTORY June 28 & 29, 2025 Offertory Envelopes- \$3,216.00 Special Collections- \$433.00 We appreciate your generosity and thank you!

†Slowo Proboszcza †

Kochani Parafianie,

Mowilismy juz wielokrotnie, ze dekalog jest najlepszym sposobem na zycie. Nikt nie wymyslil dotychczas lepszej, madrzejszej filozofii postepowania ludzkiego. Rownie wazne jest takze to, ze ow dekalog kazdy z nas nosi niejako w swoim sercu. Pouczajace nas jak mamy zyc Slowo Boze, kazdy nosi w sobie.

Wypelnione Bozymi tresciami serce ludzkie nazywa sie inaczej sumieniem. Kazdy z nas wie dobrze, jak wielkim dobrodziejstwem danym nam od Boga jest glos sumienia. To dzieki niemu wiemy natychmiast, kiedy schodzimy z drogi wyznaczonej nam przez Boga. Sumienie przestrzega nas przed zgubnymi nastepstwami rozmijania sie z Bozymi pouczeniami. Trzeba by nam czasem podziekowac Bogu za to, ze zechcial wyposazyc nasze ludzkie wnetrze w swoje Boskie prawo; trzeba sie jeszce bardziej modlic o to, zebysmy byli zawsze wrazliwi na glos sumienia. Drugiego czytania dzisiejszej liturgii Slowa nie mozna zrozumiec w sposob wlasciwy bez przypomnienia okolicznosci, w jakich powstawal caly list Pawla do Kolosan. Otoz mial ten list byc odpowiedzia na bledna nauke, wedlug ktorej Jezusa Chrystusa przyrownywano do jednego z wielu bytow niebieskich. Mysl przewodnia calego listu sprowadza sie do tezy, ze Jezus Chrystus jest obrazem samego Boga niewidzialnego. Wlasnie w Jezusie Chrystusie, w Jego ziemskim ciele zechcial sie objawic sam Pan Bog. Jest absolutnie ponad wszelkim stworzeniem, bo to wlasnie w Nim wszystko zostało stworzone.

W stosunku zas do calego Kosciola Chrystus jest Glowa, jest poczatkiem Kosciola, jest pierworodnym sposrod wszystkich umarlych. I wreszcie stwierdzenie bodaj najwazniejsze: "Zechcial Bog, zeby w Chrystusie zamieszkala cala pelnia Bostwa." Cel zas objawienia sie Boga w Jezusie Chrystusie jest taki: "Zeby przez Niego znow pojednac wszystko ze soba: i to co na ziemi i to co na niebiosach, wprowadziwszy pokoj przez Jego Krew."

> Szczesc Boze, Ks. Andrzej



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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. Thanks for your help!

Hospital Visitations

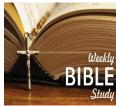
Please contact the rectory at 302-594-1400, Ext. 1, or email sthedwigchurch@comcast.net if you are in the hospital and would like a priest to visit you.



We invite you for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Pope Saint John Paul II Chapel Monday-Friday evenings from 5:30-6:30pm. Confessions are heard during

Adoration. Holy Mass begins at 6:30pm. 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!

Bible Study Group



Every Thursday evening in the parish hall immediately following the 6:30pm Mass. Join us for Mass, then stay and Pray! All are welcome!



A heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed to the Faith and Charity Annual Catholic Appeal. Your generosity helps to support programs throughout our Diocese. However, the parish is still \$4,532 dollars short of our target of \$25,625, and so we would ask those who haven't contributed to date to consider taking a

pledge envelope from church and making a contribution. May God bless you!



2025 Confirmation Schedule Meetings will resume September 2nd & 9th in Msgr. Gulcz Hall at 7:00pm. Attendance is mandatory.



Please remember to pray for all who are sick in our parish & community and those who have departed this life.

Father Andrew, John Yasik, Bri Iacona, Rosalie Wilner, Mary Ann Romano, Anna Kaminska, Aleksander Bielecki, Cindy, Dot, Joe, Hanna, Terry, Erin Rathmanner, John & Sally Sitek, John & Marie La-Rouche, Jack & Kathy McDermott, Josephine Szczerba, Sandra Boom, Rudolf Wolanin, John Streck, Joy Deluchia, Frank Kucharski, Emma Kozlowski, Hannah 99Grace, Melissa A., Veronica "Nonnie" Bartkowski, Langan Family and Ann Ruff.



7-8 Mt 10:34—11:1 **Tuesday, July 15, 2025** Ex 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 11:20-24 **Wednesday, July 16, 2025** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27 **Thursday, July 17, 2025** Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 Mt 11:28-30 **Friday, July 18, 2025** Ex 11:10—12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 Mt 12:1-8 **Saturday, July 19, 2025** Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 Mt 12:14-21 **Sunday, July 20, 2025** Gen 18:1-10a Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

n Loving Memory

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE FROM OUR PARISH WHO PASSED AWAY DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE:

John W. Foskey, Sr.	June 13,
Stephen Fillion	June 25,

June 25, 2025

2025

July is devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus



"Designating July as the month dedicated to the Precious Blood provides believers with a specific period to deepen our devotion to Jesus' sacrifice and to reflect on the salvific power of His Blood. It is seen as the ultimate

expression of God's love and mercy, as it was freely given for the forgiveness of sins and the salvation of souls".

HEAL THEM, O LORD!



Sunday, July 13, 2025 9am + John F. Gaska Int. Daughter, Donna Gaska 11:30am + Robert Zyskowski Int. Family 4pm + John Murphy Int. Sandi Murphy Monday, July 14, 2025 6:30pm + John M. Nawrocki Int. Wife, Hope Tuesday, July 15, 2025 6:30pm + Theodore Jordan Int. Mary Eustergerling Wednesday, July 16, 2025 6:30pm Living Intention -for the Health of Peter Harvison Int. Wife, Janice Gaska Thursday, July 17, 2025 6:30pm + Stephanie Sewruk Int. Hanna Sewruk Friday, July 18, 2025 9:00am + Steve Parisi Int. Mary Eustergerling Saturday, July 19, 2025 + Czeslaw Szuper 8am Int. Basia Malek 4pm + Mary L. Kapa Int. Loretta Kapa Sunday, July 20, 2025 + Anita Tassone 9am Int. Sandi Murphy 11:30am + Stefan Zyskowski Int. Family 4pm + Frances Golden Int. Janice & Staś



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.



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 <u>before</u> the surgery.

OCIA (Order 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 Parish Office and leave a message at 302-594-1400, Ext. 1.

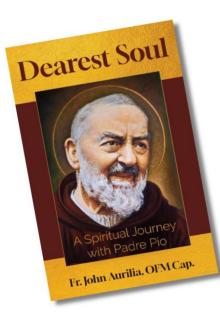
† Sanctuary Lamp †



signifying the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ, will burn this week in loving memory of:

John F. Gaska

Requested by: Daughter, Donna Gaska



INSIDE THE BOOK with author Father John Aurilia

Father John Aurilia, OFM Cap., was ordained a priest in 1966. For a brief period as a young priest, he was personal secretary to Saint Pio of Pietrelcina. He has taught at seminaries and served for many years as a pastor at various parishes in the United States after being called in 1973 to serve Italian immigrants in New Jersey. In 2022, he was transferred to St. Francis Friary in Wilmington, DE

On Tuesday, July 22nd at 6:30 pm at St. Helena's Church Fr. John Aurílía who had

spent time one summer living/working with St. Padre Pio will be speaking about his past experiences with St. Pio & Father's recent book on the saint entitled "Dearest Soul". Format will be Intro, Reflections by Fr. John, Questions & Answers, and book signing for those interested.

St. Chrístopher ís the Patron Saínt of travelers and children. Hís Feast day ís July 25th. Father Janusz and Deacon Ray will be blessing cars after all weekend Masses on July 26 & 27.



The Motorist's Prayer

Grant me, O Lord, a steady hand and watchful eye, That no one shall be hurt as I pass by. Thou gavest life, I pray no act of mine May take away or mar that Gift of Thine. Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear me company, From the evils of fire and all calamity. Teach me to use my car for other's need; Nor miss through love of undue speed, the beauty of the world; that thus I may With joy and courtesy go on my way. St. Christopher, holy patron of travelers, Protect me and lead me safely to my destiny.