SAINT HEDWIG'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - noon & 1 - 2 p.m.

Confessions: 15 minutes before Mass and at other times (see below) • **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday to Friday, from 12:00 noon • Sundays, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. • Recitation of the Rosary: 30 minutes before each Mass, also on the radio at 88.5 FM (locally) • Attendance: 5 p.m.: 137; 8 a.m.: 118; 11 a.m.: 182; Total: 437

THE ASCENSIO	ON OF TH	HE LORD [Mother's Day] May	y 12 th 2024		
-	ur Lady of I :00 a.m.	Fatima (Optional Memorial) Rita Gauthier by the Nicholas family			
-,		Funeral Mass for Theresa Glysinskie			
-	t. Matthias, :00 a.m.	Apostle (Feast) Intentions of Robert Zilney			
	erial :00 a.m.	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> St. Isidore, the Farmer) Theresa & Leonard Golka by Rose Ann & Russell			
	erial :00 a.m.	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> in Poland, St. Andrew Bobola, Religious & Martyr) Frank McConville & Deceased Ancestors by Josie & Phil Zylstra)		
May 17 [p	erial barish day of :00 a.m. :00 p.m.	(Roman Martyrology: St. Adrio, Martyr) prayer and reparation "for our sins, and the sins of the whole world"] Mary, Anthony, Alphonse Stoppa by Jacqueline Wierzbicki & Family Confessions			
May 18 9:30 - 10	erial):15 a.m.	(Roman Martyrology: St. John I, Pope) Confessions			
4:00 - 4):30 a.m. I:45 p.m.	Special Intentions Confessions			
SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST May 19 th 2024					

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Saturday Sunday

5:00 p.m. Danny, Kevin, Dominic & Bernard Kluke & Parents by Esther & Family 8:00 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Beverly Hare by Bernice, Ruth & David 11:00 a.m. Intentions of the People

Pentecost Sunday (May 19 th , 2024)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	
Readers of the Word	Karen Yakabuski	Mark Milan	Richard Shaw	
Holy Communion	Deacon Robert Probert	Deacon Jean-Nil Chabot	Br. Grzegorz Loska OMI	
Ushers	Duncan Barber (crew captain) and ushers	Stanley Rumleskie (crew captain) and ushers	Daniel Shalla (crew captain) and ushers	

Offerings: Sunday: \$3,824.28; Building Maintenance: \$1,811.89; Carpet Fund: \$310.00; Pope's Pastoral Works: \$765.10; \$; Easter: \$5.00

Let us remember in prayer those who are sick, especially Jacek Ratajczak, Esther T. Stoppa, Tessie Spence, Raymond Hennion, Suzanne Bissonnette, Anne Chabot, Albert Cybulski, Karen Barber, Brandon Hammer.

Let us pray for the repose of soul of Theresa Glysinskie, mother of Maureen & Richard

KofC Mother's Day Pro-Life Pancake Brunch: Sunday, May 12, 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. in the St. Hedwig Parish Hall. Cost - free will donation. All profits will go to our KofC council's pro-life efforts.

Month of Mary: Consider marking May, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, with any of these practices: praying the Rosary, the Regina Coeli, the Litany of Loreto, enrolling in the Scapular, consecrating yourself and your family to the Blessed Mother, ensuring that you are wearing a Miraculous Medal.

SHL Polish Breakfast: We thank those who baked the cakes, those who donated money, those who worked prior to and during the event and all those who attended the event. We appreciate all of you. THANK YOU.

Thank You: To the "Monday crew" ladies who washed the pews recently.

Wednesday Rosary at the Grotto: Come pray the Rosary at the grotto of Our Lady, next to St. Hedwig's Church, every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m., during the month of May. All welcome.



Knights of Columbus Meeting: Our next meeting is on Wednesday, May 15th, 2024. Rosary at 7 p.m., followed by the meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Jerome's Meeting Room in the basement of St. Hedwig's rectory.

Euchre: The next two Euchre games will be on Sunday, May 19th & June 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$5.00.

Domestic Church Sunday Coffee: Free coffee and snacks will be served in the church basement by our local Domestic Church group immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 19th. Come enjoy a hot drink and something to eat while getting to know your fellow parishioners a little better! Donations of treats welcomed if anyone wishes to bring something for sharing. All parishioners are welcome.

<u>Christian Mothers</u>: The Confraternity of Christian Mothers (and all women with motherly hearts) is meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. New members welcome. Coffee, tea and social afterwards. Date of the next meeting: May 21st.

First Holy Communion at St. Hedwig's: We will celebrate First Holy Communion on May 26th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. A reception hosted by the Sacred Heart League will follow in the church hall.

Sacred Heart League Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 28th at 6:30 p.m. in the hall.

Cemetery Reminder: As grass cutting season for the cemetery grounds has arrived, a friendly reminder that all flower decorations have to be firmly attached to the stone (monument), they cannot stand alone on ground level. Solar lights have to be able to withstand the trimmer's power. Thank you.

<u>Religious Store Contact</u>: If you are interested in purchasing items from the Sacred Heart League Religious Store, please call or text Josée Peppler at 519-215-0707 or Diane at 613-639-4755.

Euthanasia in Canada - Threatens Your Life? A community event with guest speaker Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Wednesday, June 5th, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, 250 John Street, Barry's Bay. Admission by freewill donation.

Helpline for Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide Prevention: This helpline is available 24/7, call 1-855-675-8749. The Compassionate Community Care (CCC) helpline provides advice, help and support regarding euthanasia and assisted suicide prevention & end-of-life treatment issues. It is confidential and free.

From the Encyclical On The Blessed Virgin Mary in the Life of the Pilgrim Church: Now, at the first dawn of the Church, at the beginning of the long journey through faith which began at Pentecost in Jerusalem, Mary was with all those who were the seed of the "new Israel." She was present among them as an exceptional witness to the mystery of Christ. And the Church was assiduous in prayer together with her, and at the same time "contemplated her in the light of the Word made man." It was always to be so. For when the Church "enters more intimately into the supreme mystery of the Incarnation," she thinks of the Mother of Christ with profound reverence and devotion.63 Mary belongs indissolubly to the mystery of Christ, and she belongs also to the mystery of the Church from the beginning, from the day of the Church's birth. At the basis of what the Church has been from the beginning, and of what she must continually become from generation to generation, in the midst of all the nations of the earth, we find the one "who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord" (Lk. 1:45). It is precisely Mary's faith which marks the beginning of the new and eternal Covenant of God with man in Jesus Christ; this heroic faith of hers "precedes" the apostolic witness of the Church, and ever remains in the Church's heart hidden like a special heritage of God's revelation. All those who from generation to generation accept the apostolic witness of the Church share in that mysterious inheritance, and in a sense share in Mary's faith (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*, 27).

Oblate Vocation Retreat: Is Christ calling you to bring His Gospel to the poor under the loving care of our Immaculate Mother? An Oblate vocations retreat will take place from May 17th to May 19th, 2024, at Queen of Apostles Renewal Center in Mississauga. Young men between the ages of 16-30 who are interested should contact Fr. Pawel, Br. Grzegorz, or the parish office. For more info, see the posters at the back of the church.

Ordination to the Presbyterate: Reverend Mr. Lukas Časta will receive Sacred Ordination to the Priesthood on the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Saturday, June 29th, 2024, at the Cathedral of St. Columbkille at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Father Časta will celebrate his First Mass at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 30th, at St. Hedwig's Parish. Let us pray for deacon Lukas as he prepares to serve God and the Church.

Banns for Ordination: Rev. Mr. Lukas John Časta is to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Presbyter for the Diocese of Pembroke on June 29th, 2024, at St. Columbkille's Cathedral, Pembroke. Please remember him in your prayers. Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

Rockathon 2024: Register for Rockathon 2024 in support of local healthcare, including the purchase of vital equipment for the residents of the Valley Manor. Collect pledges and rock in a rocking chair at the Manor! Pick up a registration package at the St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation by calling 613-756-3045 ext. 217; emailing office@sfvhfoundation.com; or visiting 7 St. Francis Memorial Drive.

From plague, famine, fire, and war – Save us, o Lord. *Od powietrza, głodu, ognia i wojny–Wybaw nas Panie.* From sudden and unprovided death – Save us, o Lord. *Od nagłej i niespodziewanej śmierci – Wybaw nas Panie.*