

SAINT HEDWIG'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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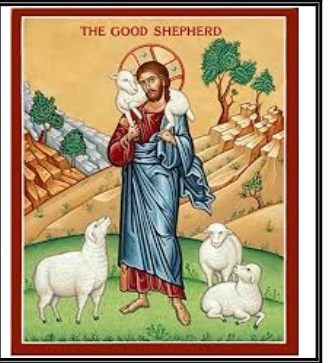
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Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - noon & 1 - 2 p.m.



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.: 103; 8 a.m.: 122; 11 a.m.: 200; Total: 425

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

[World Day of Prayer for Vocations]

Apr. 21st 2024

Monday April 22	Ferial 8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> St. Leonides of Alexandria, Martyr) Lisk Family by Andrew and Catherine Intentions of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College by SWC	[Last 4:30 p.m. Mass]
Tuesday April 23	Ferial 8:00 a.m.	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> St. George, Martyr) Edward Rumleskie by Joe & Tilly Vigliotta & Family & Cathy	
Wednesday April 24	Ferial 8:00 a.m. 12:00 noon	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest, Martyr) Agnes & Vincent Golka; Dominica & Stephen Yantha by Roseanne Visutski & Fam. Repose of the Soul of Basil Gutoskie by Tessie & Family	[Last Noon Mass]
Thursday April 25	St. Mark, Evangelist (Feast) 8:00 a.m.	Dominic, Helen, Ronnie Yantha & Susan Pecarskie by Lornie, Aileen, Scott & Kayla	
Friday April 26	Our Lady of Good Counsel (Optional Memorial) 8:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	[parish day of prayer and reparation "for our sins, and the sins of the whole world"] Repose of the Soul of Gerry Yantha by Pat & Gail Yantha Confessions	
Saturday April 27	Ferial 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	(<i>Roman Martyrology:</i> St. Zita, Virgin) Confessions Special Intentions Graduation Mass for Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College Confessions	[all are welcome to attend]

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Apr. 28th 2024

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Bunny Recoskie by the Family
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Intentions of Ronald Trottier by Rita & John Hudder Intentions of the People

5 th Sunday of Easter (April 28 th , 2024)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Eleanor Trader	Theresa Chapeskie	John-Paul Shaw
Holy Communion	Deacon Robert Probert	Deacon Jean-Nil Chabot	Deacon Robert Probert
Ushers	Duncan Barber (crew captain) and ushers	Stanley Rumleskie (crew captain) and ushers	Daniel Shalla (crew captain) and ushers

Offerings: Sunday: \$3,593.25; Building Maintenance: \$1,037.00; Carpet Fund: \$820.00; Various Funds: \$5.00; Heat & Fuel: \$20.00; Easter: \$40.00

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

We pray for Jude Augustine Kluge, son of of Brooke-Lyn (Lundy) and Noah Kluge, who was welcomed into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, April 14th.

Euchre: The next two Euchre games will be on Sunday, April 21st & May 5th at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$5.00.

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 are welcome to attend.

Hospital Mass: Mass at St. Francis Hospital will be said on Wednesday, May 1st at 10:30 a.m. This Mass is restricted to staff and patients only. The Mass intention is: Susan Shirley Coulas by Sacred Heart League.

Classes for First Holy Communion: A reminder for children who will be making their First Holy Communion: Preparation classes will start up again Sunday, April 21st at 9:45 a.m. in the church hall.

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, April 28th. 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.**

Sacred Heart League Meeting: The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 30th in the parish hall at 6:30 p.m.

Polish Brunch at St. Hedwig's Church: In the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 5th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cost is \$15 for adults, children aged 12 and under, \$8. The menu is as follows: pierogies, baked beans, fried bologna, sausage and sauerkraut, pickled eggs and cake for dessert. Takeout is available. Everybody is welcome.

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.

Religious Store Contact: If you are interested in purchasing items from the Sacred Heart League Religious Store, please call or text Josée Peppler at 519-215-0707.

Carpet Fund in Envelope Boxes: As we are saving up for the expense to change the flooring in the church, the usual "Renovation Fund" envelopes found in your donation envelope boxes have been changed to "Carpet Fund". (Apr. 21, July 21, Oct. 27). This is a temporary measure and we will reverse to "Renovation Fund" in the future. If you would rather donate to "Renovation Fund", you may do so by clearly marking it on the envelope.

First Friday Adoration: We are looking for committed adorers for once a month for First Friday adoration for **2-3 a.m.** Please call the parish office if you can take this hour. We are also looking for people who could be on the "fill in" list in which case the person is only contacted when there is a vacancy for a particular hour.

Gospel of Mark Study: This study continues on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the St. Lawrence O[Toole Church hall. For more information please contact John Morris, 613 729-6647. Feel free to drop-in as you can.

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: In a sense her journey of faith is longer. The Holy Spirit had already come down upon her, and she became his faithful spouse at the Annunciation, welcoming the Word of the true God, offering "the full submission of intellect and will...and freely assenting to the truth revealed by him," indeed abandoning herself totally to God through "the obedience of faith,"⁶⁰ whereby she replied to the angel: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." The journey of faith made by Mary, whom we see praying in the Upper Room, is thus longer than that of the others gathered there: Mary "goes before them," "leads the way" for them.⁶¹ The moment of Pentecost in Jerusalem had been prepared for by the moment of the Annunciation in Nazareth, as well as by the Cross. In the Upper Room Mary's journey meets the Church's journey of faith. In what way?

Among those who devoted themselves to prayer in the Upper Room, preparing to go "into the whole world" after receiving the Spirit, some had been called by Jesus gradually from the beginning of his mission in Israel. Eleven of them had been made Apostles, and to them Jesus had passed on the mission which he himself had received from the Father. "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you" (Jn. 20:21), he had said to the Apostles after the Resurrection. And forty days later, before returning to the Father, he had added: "when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...you shall be my witnesses...to the end of the earth" (cf. Acts 1:8). This mission of the Apostles began the moment they left the Upper Room in Jerusalem. The Church is born and then grows through the testimony that Peter and the Apostles bear to the Crucified and Risen Christ (cf. Acts 2:31-34; 3:15-18; 4:10-12; 5:30-32) (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*, 26).

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Graduation Mass: Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College's Graduation Mass will take place on Saturday, April 27th at 12:30 p.m. and will be celebrated by Archbishop Ivan Jurkovič, Papal Nuncio to Canada. There are no tickets this year and everyone is welcome to attend. Please keep the graduates in your prayers as they go forth to new adventures.

Annual May 1st Men's Pilgrimage to St. Joseph's Oratory: Every year for the past 40 years, we bundle up all our cares and the needs of our families, sling them across our shoulders as fathers and as young men (13+), and take them to the feet of St. Joseph patron of father's and workers. Along the way we stop to visit St. Kateri's shrine in Kahnawake. Our itinerary is posted at <https://sainthedwigchurch.com/about/special/annual-pilgrimage-to-st-joseph-s-oratory> Please contact Anton Casta at arc3@stmaxmedia.com or 613-756-6410 to register.

2024 March for Life in Ottawa: Thursday, May 9th - Theme "I will never forget you" - details: marchforlife.ca If attending this life-promoting annual event, please consider car-pooling to give interested people the opportunity to participate, as well as share the cost of gas. Let's pray for all attending the March.

Bus to March for Life: 2024 March for Life - May 9 - bus departing from Pembroke/Cobden/Renfrew organized by the Renfrew County Right to Life: Air-conditioned coach with washroom leaves at 8AM sharp from Pembroke Moncion Metro parking lot, and stops at the Cobden Pentecostal Church and the Renfrew Visitors' Centre. Back in Pembroke by 6PM. Please call Barb at (613) 735-6265 or email rcrtlif@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

Queen of Angels homeschool co-op annual fundraiser: Please join us for a Night at the Museum experience and meet some historical figures. A bake sale and talent show showcasing our young performers to follow for an evening of fun! Date: Saturday May 11th at 6:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's church hall, Killaloe. All are welcome! Free will donations will be accepted for next year's children's needs.

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.

Job Opportunity: *Madonna House – Cana Colony* in Combermere: Looking for 4 Activities Coordinators for children and youth at a family camp that runs from June 28 – Aug. 4, 2024. Must be 18+. For more information, please contact Christina Milan, Cana Registrar mhcanacolony@gmail.com or 613 756-3713.

Welcome to the Madawaska United Soccer League: A 7v7 Co-Ed Summer League on Thursdays from May 2 to the end of August. Summer registration for players 18+ is \$60 until April 25th and \$70 afterwards. Youth 13-17 are \$50 but must tryout May 2nd/9th and be chosen by a team captain. Visiting players are welcome for a \$10 fee per game. All games are held at MVDHS. Join us! <https://madawaskaunited.com/>

Mass transfers: The following Masses have been transferred to Fr. Jerry Gauvreau, C.C.: Sylvester Glysinskie & Intentions of Lawrence Luckovitch; Michael Reis; Rose Dale (both by Josie & Phil Zylstra); Intentions of Robert Nick by Agnes; Sultana Grammenos by Parick & Helen Fritz; Repose of the Soul of Gerard O'Malley by the Nicholas Family; For all Families & Students of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College by Paul & Immaculata; For Special Intentions (2 Masses); Repose of the Soul of Gerard O'Malley by Mary & Doreen Visutskie; Monica LaBlue & Boyde; Frances Zilney & Frank Stoppa; Intentions of Rose (all by Peter & Clementine Brotton); Intentions of Rebecca Smith; Intentions of Martha Culshaw; Bunny Recoskie by the Family; Intentions of Rhett Smith; Repose of the Soul of Stewart Tarr (both by David & Elena Afelskie); Margaret Palubeskie; Deceased Members of the Coulas Family (both by the Estate of Mary C. Coulas); Repose of the Soul of Mathis Trottier & Holy Souls in Purgatory (6 Masses); Peter & Elizabeth Stoppa by Tessie & Family (4 Masses)

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.*