

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: 8:30 p.m.: 265; 8 a.m.: 197; 11 a.m.: 200; Total: 662

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Apr. 7th 2024

Monday

April 8

The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)

8:00 a.m. Ronnie Shalla by Alice & Family

4:30 p.m. For the Intentions of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College by the College

Tuesday

April 9

Ferial (*Roman Martyrology:* St. Acacius, Bishop)

8:00 a.m. All Living & Deceased Family Members by David & Mary Yantha

Wednesday

April 10

Ferial (*Roman Martyrology:* St. Palladius, Bishop)

8:00 a.m. For the Souls of Margaret Glofcheskie & Agnes Mask by Tessie Stoppa

12:00 noon Carmen & Gilles Dubeau

Thursday

April 11

St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)

8:00 a.m. Relatives of the Stoppa & Luckovitch Families by Jackie Stoppa & Family

Friday

April 12

Ferial (*Roman Martyrology:* St. Vissia, Virgin & Martyr)

[parish day of prayer and reparation "for our sins, and the sins of the whole world"]

8:00 a.m. Repose of the Soul of Rita Gauthier by the Family

6:00 p.m. Confessions

Saturday

April 13

Our Lady's Saturday

9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Confessions

10:30 a.m. Special Intentions

4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Confessions

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Apr. 14th 2024

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Marie Nicholas by the Family

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Maria Kerr by David & Elena Afelskie

11:00 a.m. Intentions of the People

3rd Sunday of Easter (April 14 th , 2024)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Mary Yantha	Jacob Afelskie	Mark Westen
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: \$3,141.30; Building Maintenance: \$1,412.00; Carpet Fund: \$60.00; Reno Fund: \$125.00; Various Funds: \$10.00; Poor Box: \$300.00; Good Friday: \$5,050.80; Easter: \$4,097.00

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

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Basil Gutoskie.

Divine Mercy Sunday: Each Sunday of the year we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:00 p.m. and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 p.m. We will keep the same practice for Divine Mercy Sunday, with adoration at 2:00 p.m., the Chaplet at 3:00 p.m., and then a solemn Benediction.

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

Men's Rosary Group: Come for Rosary prayer open to men on **Monday**, April 8th at 7:00 p.m., in **St. Hedwig's Church**. Men are invited, fathers bring your sons as well.

Hospital Mass: Mass at St. Francis Hospital will be said on Friday, April 12th at 10:30 a.m. This Mass is restricted to staff and patients only. The Mass intention: Repose of the Soul of Gerard O'Malley by Eddy & Eleanor Trader.

Christian Mothers: 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: April 16th.

Knights of Columbus Meeting: Our next meeting is on Wednesday, April 17th, 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.

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 21st. 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.**

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.

St. Hedwig Parish Secretary: To see the job description, and view the application procedures, please go to sainthedwigchurch.com and then click on "News" at the top of the page. Last day to apply is April 12th.

Save the Date: Sunday, May 5th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. the Sacred Heart League will host a Polish Day brunch.

God is Good! - Retreat and Potluck: 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. on April 20th, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, Pembroke. Praise and worship, talks, Divine Mercy, testimony, supper, fellowship, and veneration of relics. Guest speakers: Peggy & Keith Doucette from J/P 2 Centre. RSVP by April 15th, phone: 613-587-4145

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.

Pilgrimage to Quebec Shrines: St. James the Less Parish in Eganville is organizing a pilgrimage accompanied by Father Réal Ouellette, from Monday, June 10th - 12th, 2024, with departures and returns in Pembroke and Renfrew. Shrines to be visited are : St. Kateri's Shrine, Divine Mercy Shrine, Our Lady of the Cap Shrine, Ste-Anne de Beaupré Shrine, and Oratory St. Joseph. We need a minimum of 40 pilgrims by May 9th to make this pilgrimage viable. For more information, please visit stjameseganville.com, or call Fr. Réal during office hours at 613-628-2020, or by email at padrereal2002@yahoo.ca. See also the poster in the back of our church.

From the Encyclical On The Blessed Virgin Mary in the Life of the Pilgrim Church: The words uttered by Jesus from the Cross signify that the motherhood of her who bore Christ finds a "new" continuation in the Church and through the Church, symbolized and represented by John. In this way, she who as the one "full of grace" was brought into the mystery of Christ in order to be his Mother and thus the Holy Mother of God, through the Church remains in that mystery as "the woman" spoken of by the Book of Genesis (3:15) at the beginning and by the Apocalypse (12:1) at the end of the history of salvation. In accordance with the eternal plan of Providence, Mary's divine motherhood is to be poured out upon the Church, as indicated by statements of Tradition, according to which Mary's "motherhood" of the Church is the reflection and extension of her motherhood of the Son of God (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*, 24).

Project Rachel Retreat: The Refuge is offering a retreat April 19 - 21, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. At our retreats, we welcome women whose pain has been silenced and denied by the world. See stmarysrefuge.org/rachel, contact us in confidence, 289-691-6840 or projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org

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.

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.*