

SAINT HEDWIG'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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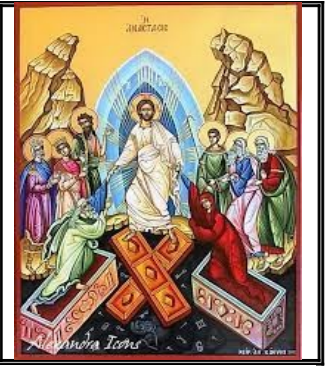
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Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - noon & 1 - 2 p.m.



Confessions: 15 minutes before Mass and at other times (see below) • **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday to Friday, from 12:00 noon (see different schedule below for Holy Week) • **Recitation of the Rosary:** 30 minutes before each Mass, also on the radio at 88.5 FM (locally) • Attendance: 5 p.m.: 99; 8 a.m.: 146; 11 a.m.: 214; Total: 459

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Mar. 31st 2024

Monday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 1 **9:00 a.m.** Rita Gauthier by Anastasia Stoppa [Note Time Change]

Tuesday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 2 **8:00 a.m.** Intentions of Amikons Family by the Family
10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass for Marie Nicholas

Wednesday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 3 **8:00 a.m.** Intentions of Spencer & May Moore by the Family
12:00 noon Soul of Charlotte Kuiack by Theresa Trader

First Thursday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 4 **8:00 a.m.** Bronis & Leonard Stoppa by the Stoppa Family

First Friday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 5 **8:00 a.m.** Gerard O'Malley by Sacred Heart League
12:00 noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Nocturnal Adoration
3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
6:00 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. In atonement for our sins and those of the whole world

First Saturday within Easter Octave, Solemnity

April 6 **9:30 - 10:15 a.m.** Confessions
10:30 a.m. Special Intentions
4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Confessions

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Apr. 7th 2024

Saturday **5:00 p.m.** Syl, Esther & Neil Shalla; Alf, Helen & Mike O'Malley by Jim & Maureen

Sunday **8:00 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of brother Max Mintha by his Sisters

11:00 a.m. Intentions of the People

2nd Sunday of Easter (April 7 th , 2024)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Eleanor Trader	Nicholas Rumleskie	Joseph Afelskie
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: \$3,936.30; Building Maintenance: \$710.00; Carpet Fund: \$120.00;
Various Funds: \$90.00; Poor Box: \$100.00; Good Friday: \$445.00; Easter: \$420.00

*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 Marie Nicholas.

Thank You: For your Easter greetings, wishes, prayers, and Mass novenas; to those who helped decorate the church for Passion Sunday and the Triduum; to Br. Grzegorz Loska O.M.I., for his work in keeping the church and sacristy clean and organized; to Fr. Jerry Gauvreau, C.C., for his sacramental assistance; to our Triduum readers, cantors, and music ministers; to our Deacons, Jean-Nil Chabot and Robert Probert; to the ladies who washed down the pews.

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.

Eucharistic Adoration: Regular Adoration hours will resume on Easter Tuesday, April 2nd, at 12:00 noon.

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

Hospital Mass: The next 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 intention of this Mass is: Repose of the Soul of Gerard O'Malley by Eddy & Eleanor Trader.

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.

Parish Secretary: We are now soliciting applications for the position of parish secretary. To see the job description, and view the application procedures/deadlines, please navigate to sainthedwigchurch.com and then click on "News" at the top of the page.

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

Divine Mercy Sunday: Celebration at St. James the Less Parish in Eganville (78 Wellington Street). On Sunday, April 7th, 2024, starting at 3 p.m. On the program: Divine Mercy Chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction, Confessions, Renewal of Baptismal Promises, and a talk by Father Réal Ouellette. All welcome.

From the Encyclical On The Blessed Virgin Mary in the Life of the Pilgrim Church: And so this "new motherhood of Mary," generated by faith, is the fruit of the "new" love which came to definitive maturity in her at the foot of the Cross, through her sharing in the redemptive love of her Son. Thus we find ourselves at the very center of the fulfillment of the promise contained in the Proto-gospel: the "seed of the woman...will crush the head of the serpent" (cf. Gen. 3:15). By his redemptive death Jesus Christ conquers the evil of sin and death at its very roots. It is significant that, as he speaks to his mother from the Cross, he calls her "woman" and says to her: "Woman, behold your son!"...he had addressed her by the same term at Cana too (cf. Jn. 2:4). How can one doubt that especially now, on Golgotha, this expression goes to the very heart of the mystery of Mary, and indicates the unique place which she occupies in the whole economy of salvation? As the Council teaches, in Mary "the exalted Daughter of Sion, and after a long expectation of the promise, the times were at length fulfilled and the new dispensation established. All this occurred when the Son of God took a human nature from her, that he might in the mysteries of his flesh free man from sin" (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*, 23-24).

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

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents : The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from Friday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, April 28th at 3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Road, Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$290 per person (\$190 for students), which includes meals, lodging, and retreat material. If cost is of concern, please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me; limited subsidies are available. Space is limited. To register, email lgwtoronto@proton.me

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.

Easter Greetings: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, the Easter Triduum is the high point of the Christian year. The Lord's Passion and Death is followed by His glorious Resurrection. So too on our earthly pilgrimage, our "little and great" passions and deaths are followed by risings, if only we humbly entrust our lives to Christ, the Risen Lord, who says to us "Peace be with you". As Bishop William McGrattan, president of the CCCB, writes in his Easter message: "In our current world, we must know in faith that the Lord Jesus stands in our midst and says, 'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you: not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid' (John 14:27). This must be our heartfelt petition this Easter for many of our brothers and sisters who are experiencing the ongoing tragedy of war and violence". May Christ's peace reign in our world.

We ask that Our Lady, Mother of the Risen Lord, accompany us in these days of Easter.

Wesołych Świąt Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego – Happy Solemnity of Easter – Surrexit Dominus vere!

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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.*