

SAINT HEDWIG'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. - noon, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Confessions: Confessions take place 15 minutes before Mass and at other scheduled times (see below) • **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday to Friday, from 12:00 noon • On 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.:114; 8 a.m.:143; 11 a.m.: 226; Total: 483

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [World Mission Sunday] October 22nd 2023

Monday

October 23

St. John of Capistrano, Priest (Optional Memorial)

8:00 a.m. For the Souls in Purgatory

10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass for Edward Rumleskie

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

Tuesday

October 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8:00 a.m. Orville Kulas by David & Ruth Lockhart

Wednesday

October 25

Ferial

(RM: St. Gaudentius of Brescia, Bishop) [day of prayer and mortification for the Synod]

8:00 a.m. Susan Pecarskie by Diane

12:00 noon Leonard Koznackie, Jean McPhee, Stanley Shushack & Edward Wright by Dorothy

Thursday

October 26

Ferial

(Roman Martyrology: St. Cedd, Bishop)

8:00 a.m. Repose of the Souls of Joseph & Lorraine Luckasavitch by Karen Yakabuski

Friday

October 27

Ferial

(Roman Martyrology: St. Evaristus, Pope)

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

8:00 a.m. Ephrem Peplinskie by Noelle & Martin Recoskie

6:00 p.m. Confessions

Saturday

October 28

St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles (Feast)

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

10:30 a.m. Special Intentions

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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 29th 2023

Saturday

5:00 p.m. John & Margaret & Sylvester Bleskie by Tony & Lorraine Bleskie [prayers at Our Lady of the Assumption cemetery follow]

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Evelyn & Dennis Yantha by Sylvie [prayers at Cemetery Annex follow]

11:00 a.m. Intentions of the People [prayers at St. Hedwig Cemetery follow]

30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 29 th , 2023)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Karen Yakabuski	Nicholas Rumleskie	Pete Baklinski
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: \$3,420.85; Building Maintenance: \$970.00; Carpet Fund: \$50.00; World Mission: \$135.00

Let us remember in prayer those who are sick, especially Christine Oskirko, Anne Chabot, Albert Cybulski, Karen Barber, Gerard O'Malley, Brandon Hammer.

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Edward Rumleskie.

New Diocesan Administrator: After the installation of the Most Rev. Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. as Archbishop of Moncton this past October 18th, the College of Consultors of the Diocese of Pembroke on October 19th, 2023 elected Rev. George Ryan Holly as Diocesan Administrator of Pembroke, as required by Canon Law (c. 421 §1).

2024 Mass Intentions: We are accepting Mass intentions for 2024 starting Tuesday, Oct. 17th during office hours. **Please, come in person;** requested dates will be assigned on a "first come, first served" basis. Due to a continued high demand for Masses said here at St. Hedwig's, we can currently offer **5** Masses per household. Weekend dates will also be limited as to distribute the requests as fairly as possible. **There is no limit to Masses to be transferred out** (sent to other priests). Please consider this option as a Mass offering is such a precious and needed gift to give.

Sunday Brunch: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Brunch **this Sunday**, October 22nd, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in the St. Hedwig Parish hall. Free-will donations will be accepted. See you there!

Euchre: The next Euchre games will be Sunday, October 22nd & November 5th at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$5.00.

Sacred Heart League: The next meeting is Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall.

Cemetery Prayers This Coming Weekend: After the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Oct. 28th, we will go to pray at Our Lady of the Assumption Cemetery on Kartuzy Road. After the 8:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, Oct. 29th, we'll go to pray at the Annex Cemetery on Pioneer Road. After the 11:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, prayers will be held at St. Hedwig's Cemetery on Siberia Road. These prayers are held in anticipation of All Souls' Day.

Halloween: Dear parishioners, please know that Halloween is not a spiritually-neutral event. Sadly, Halloween promotes elements of the occult and witchcraft, even if it markets these elements as "fun" or "happy". The decorations of witches, skeletons, ghouls, and graves that mark our country and our town, are pointing to a "celebration" of the occult, and are a mark of the culture of death that St. John Paul II warned against. What is a parent or grandparent to do? Try to at least minimize the negative effects of Halloween. If children dress up, let all elements of the occult be avoided (witches, goblins, vampires, etc.) Instead of marking Halloween,

consider celebrating the first vespers of All Saints at home, or in a group setting. For example, St. Andrew's church in Killaloe will host the Annual All Saints Party on Tuesday, October 31st, starting at 6:00 p.m. (info below). St. Joseph House at Madonna House will also host an event (info below). As a parent or grandparent, if you find yourself unable to avoid celebrating Halloween, try to at least minimize the negative spiritual influences, and pray spiritual protection on your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews (Fr. Pawel).

Sacred Heart Shop: Religious items are available from the Sacred Heart Shop. Please e-mail Katherine at sthedwigreligiousgoods@gmail.com or call the parish during office hours for an appointment to see the selection of scapulars, rosaries, and other religious goods for sale through the Sacred Heart League's store.

First Friday Adoration: Please contact the parish office if you can cover one of the First Friday adoration hours once a month. We are especially in need for the night time hours, starting at midnight to Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. This could be for a committed hour each month or to be contacted as a fill-in person.

Weekday Adoration: We are currently in need of adorers for weekday adoration times. Please consider signing up for one of these grace-filled hours. For more information contact Virginia Korneluk at 613-650-7674.

Mass Transfers: The following Masses have been transferred to Fr. Jerry Gauvreau, C.C.: For the Souls in Purgatory (2 Masses); Stanley, Irene & David Palubskie, Patricia Milan (both by Zigmund & Jennifer Norlock); Bronas & Melissa Stoppa by Peter & Clementine & Family; Intentions of Lisa Kraw, Intentions of Tanya Kraw, Intentions of Keith & Elizabeth Cassidy, Repose of the Soul of Frederick D'Silva (all by Maria Wolfs); Repose of the Souls of Julia Lorbetskie & Constance Chippure, Repose of the Souls of Vincent Hesson & Margaret Peplinski (both by Sacred Heart League); For the Clergy of the Catholic Church

Donations for Pregnancy Centre: On Sunday, October 29th, the Paul Sanders and Janine Lieu Pro Life Club will be accepting donations (diapers, food, funds, clothes, etc.) for the First Steps Options Pregnancy Centre in Pembroke. Drop off is at Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College outside of St. Mary's building (low rise building on Dunn St. next to St. Hedwig's) from 1 p.m – 4 p.m.

All Saint's Party: Children come dressed up as your favorite saint and enjoy a night of games and prizes! Location: St. Andrew's church hall, Killaloe. When: Tuesday, October 31st at 6:00 p.m. The Litany of the Saints will begin the evening. Please contact Maja Johnson andrew.maja@gmail.com for more information or see poster at the back of the church.

St. Joseph's House (Madonna House) All Saints Event: Please drop in to St. Joseph's between 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on October 31st - All Saints Eve. Each of the St. Joe's staff will be dressed as a Saint or Blessed or Venerable and we invite you to introduce us to your favourite Saint, Blessed or Venerable person. You can dress up, offer a few clues and we will guess. Holy cards and religious items will be available for kids, along with some sweet treats for everyone. Feel free to invite a friend or a family. Everyone is welcome!

Theology of the Body for Teens by Ascension Press: For all teens from age 14 – 19. Come learn what LOVE really is, why we were made male and female, how do we know what the truth is, what is our true value, what does God want to reveal to us about our bodies and so much more. Saturdays Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 9 from 10:00 – 3:30 pm. Online registration and further details at www.pembrokedioocese.com For more info contact Yvette at yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com.

From the Encyclical On the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Life of the Pilgrim Church: As the Council teaches, "The obedience of faith' (Rom. 16:26; cf. Rom. 1:5; 2 Cor. 10:5-6) must be given to God who reveals, an obedience by which man entrusts his whole self freely to God." This description of faith found perfect realization in Mary. The "decisive" moment was the Annunciation, and the very words of Elizabeth: "And blessed is she who believed" refer primarily to that very moment. Indeed, at the Annunciation Mary entrusted herself to God completely, with the "full submission of intellect and will," manifesting "the obedience of faith" to him who spoke to her through his messenger. She responded, therefore, with all her human and feminine "I," and this response of faith included both perfect cooperation with "the grace of God that precedes and assists" and perfect openness to the action of the Holy Spirit, who "constantly brings faith to completion by his gifts." The word of the living God, announced to Mary by the angel, referred to her: "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son" (Lk. 1:31). By accepting this announcement, Mary was to become the "Mother of the Lord," and the divine mystery of the Incarnation was to be accomplished in her: "The Father of mercies willed that the consent of the predestined Mother should precede the Incarnation." And Mary gives this consent, after she has heard everything the messenger has to say. She says: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" (Lk. 1:38). This fiat of Mary-"let it be to me"-was decisive, on the human level, for the accomplishment of the divine mystery. There is a complete harmony with the words of the Son, who, according to the Letter to the Hebrews, says to the Father as he comes into the world: "Sacrifices and offering you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me.... Lo, I have come to do your will, O God" (Heb. 10:5-7). The mystery of the Incarnation was accomplished when Mary uttered her fiat: "Let it be to me according to your word," which made possible, as far as it depended upon her in the divine plan, the granting of her Son's desire. Mary uttered this fiat in faith. In faith she entrusted herself to God without reserve and "devoted herself totally as the handmaid of the Lord to the person and work of her Son." And as the Fathers of the Church teach - she conceived this Son in her mind before she conceived him in her womb: precisely in faith! Rightly therefore does Elizabeth praise Mary: "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." These words have already been fulfilled: Mary of Nazareth presents herself at the threshold of Elizabeth and Zechariah's house as the Mother of the Son of God. This is Elizabeth's joyful discovery: "The mother of my Lord comes to me"! (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Mater*, 13).

Grief Support Group: To register or for more information please call 613-756-3045 ext. 350 or email Jenna Stamplicoski at stamplicoskij@sfmhospi.com

Project Rachel Retreat: We are offering a retreat October 27th-29th, 2023, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. See our web site stmarysrefuge.org/rachel for more details.

Catholic Retirement Home: Marian Residence in Cambridge, owned and operated by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. Rooms available. For more information go to marianresidence.ca for a virtual tour or email info@marianresidence.ca. This is a great place at which to retire.

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.*