



# St. Hedwig's Church

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DECEMBER 6, 2020 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE DESERT  
PROCLAIMING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

~ Mark 1:4

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASSES:

7:00 AM (English)  
8:00 AM (Polish)

### SATURDAY EVENING MASS:

5:00 PM (English)

### SUNDAY MASSES:

7:00 AM (English)  
8:00 AM (Polish)  
9:30 AM (English)  
11:00 AM (Polish)  
12:30 PM (English)  
6:30 PM (English)

### EVE OF HOLY DAYS:

7:00 PM (English)

### HOLY DAYS:

7:00 AM (English)  
8:00 AM (Polish)  
9:00 AM (English)  
5:00 PM (English)  
7:30 PM (Polish)

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays: 4:00-5:00 PM  
Holy Days: Confessions before every Mass

**BAPTISMS:** Make arrangements at least 6 weeks ahead of time. Baptisms are held every Sunday at 11:00 AM (Polish) and 12:30 PM (English)

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements to be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. No Marriages on Sunday after 5:00 PM & on Saturdays after 3:30 PM

**PASTOR** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PASTOR EMERITUS** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DEACON** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_  
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**LECTORS' MINISTRY** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Rev. Msgr. Edward Wawerski** \_\_\_\_\_  
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## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Friday:**  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (secretary)  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (priest on duty)

**Saturday:**  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (secretary)

**Sunday:** Office is closed

# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2020

05:00 pm +Marcia Trupin by Grodzki Family

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am +John J. Daunt (3 years in heaven), love from Mom and Dad

08:00 am +Andrzej Brzozowski od Siostry z Rodziną

09:30 am +Joseph and Rita Spina by Family

11:00 am +Franciszka Grodzki od Alexandry Zelek z Rodziną

12:30 pm +Zofia Mączyńska i +Barbara Piasecka Martin by Daughter and Sister

06:30 pm +Mary Gluck by Camille Menak

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020

Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

07:00 am +Anthony Casamassima

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

08:00 am +Zofia Iwanicz od Rodz. Dreszel Cacharani

07:00 pm +In Honor of the Blessed Mother by Danielle Auguste

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020

The Immaculate Conception Of the Blessed Virgin Mary

07:00 am Special Intention for Noel Francis Villegas by Alice

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

08:00 am +Janina Żelaznowska od Bozeny i Adama Kuczynskich z Rodziną

05:00 pm +Camille Russo by Virginia Stevenson and Family

07:30 pm Za Dzieci z Grupy Modlitwnej

07:30 pm W Intencji Znanej Panu Bogu

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020

Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoazin

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

07:00 am Health and Blessings for Family Members by Daniel Auguste

08:00 am +Henryka i Czesław Kapica od Rodziny Grodzki

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020

07:00 am +Florence Duch by Duch/Olszewski Family

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

08:00 am Zdrowie i Błogosławieństwo dla Barbary w dniu urodzin

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2020

Saint Damasus I, Pope

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

07:00 am +Pat Matassa by Family

08:00 am +Franciszek Surdyka od Rodziny Kosiorek

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2020

Our Lady of Guadalupe

07:00 am +Andrew Stevenson by Mom, Ann, Peter and Eric

07:00 am Deceased Family Members by Danielle Auguste

08:00 am +Maria i Julian Jakubiak oraz za zmarłych z ich rodziny

05:00 pm +Mary Gluck by Daniel Loonam and Teresa

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am +John F. Dave and Deceased Family Memb.

08:00 am +Zofia Kurzyna od Rodziny

09:30 am +Carol Swiacki

11:00 am +Zbigniew Zelek od Żony z Rodziną

12:30 pm In Honor of St. Lucia by Candida Pagliaro

06:30 pm Health and blessings for Mollie O'Leary by the Kirby Family



**FIRST FRIDAY:** 9:00 AM Mass in English and 7:30 PM Mass in Polish to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Exposition, Adoration & Blessing. Confession 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

**FIRST SATURDAY:** 7:30 AM Holy Rosary in Polish, 9:00 AM Mass in English with Exposition, Adoration & Blessing

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:** Saturday at 8:20 AM in Polish, at 4:50 PM in English

**NOVENA TO GOD THE FATHER:** Every first Sunday of the month after 12:30 PM Mass

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS:** Every 13th of the month at 7:00 PM from May to October

**GORZKIE ŻAŁE/LAMENTATIONS:** Lent, every Sunday at 3:00 PM

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Lent, Wednesday in English at 7:30 PM, Thursday in Italian at 8:00 PM, Friday at 7:30 PM in Polish

**LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** May, Monday through Friday at 7:30 in Polish

**HOLY ROSARY:** First Friday after 9:00 AM Mass in English, at 7:00 PM in Polish, First Saturday at 7:30 AM in Polish, additionally October, Monday through Friday at 7:30 PM in Polish

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY:** First Friday after 9:00 AM Mass in English, First Saturday after 8:00 AM Mass in Polish

## LIST KSIĘDZA PROBOSZCZA

*Drodzy Parafianie i Przyjaciele  
Kościół Św. Jadwigi,*

Dzisiaj, gdy unosi się kurtyna Boskiego dramatu, możemy usłyszeć głos, który woła: «Przygotujcie drogę Panu, Dla Niego prostujcie ścieżki!» (Mk 1,3). Spotykamy w dzisiejszej Ewangelii Jana Chrzciciela, który przygotowuje scenę na wkroczenie Jezusa.

Czy jesteśmy gotowi, by podczas tego Adwentu prostować ścieżki dla naszego Pana? Mogę przemienić ten czas w czas poświęcony bardziej autentycznemu, głębszemu wyznaniu w moim życiu? Jan wymagał szczerości —szczerości przed sobą samym— jednocześnie z oddaniem się miłosierdziu Bożemu. Czyniąc to, pomagał ludowi żyć dla Boga, pomagał zrozumieć, że życie jest kwestią walki o otwarcie dróg cnoty i pozwoleń, aby łaska Boga ożywiła ich ducha swoją radością.

*Ks. Piotr Rozek, Wasz Pastor*

## LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

*Dear Parishioners and Friends of  
St. Hedwig's Church,*

Today, as the curtain of the divine drama rises, we can already hear someone shouting: «Prepare the way of the Lord, level his paths» (Mk 1,3). Today we meet John the Baptist as he sets the stage for Jesus' coming.

Are we ready to straighten the paths for our Lord this Advent? Could I make this the time for a truer, more searching confession in my life? John called for sincerity —sincerity with oneself— and abandonment to God's mercy. In doing so he helped people to live for God, to understand that living is a matter of fighting to open up the paths of virtue and letting God's grace vivify their soul with his joy.

*Rev. Piotr Rozek, Your Pastor*

From: [evangeli.net](http://evangeli.net)

*The faithful parishioners  
of St. Hedwig's Church  
extend their gratitude, prayers  
and congratulations to you*

*Father Peter on the occasion of the  
32nd Anniversary of your Priestly  
Ordination on December 10th.*



### WEEKLY COLLECTION

November 22, 2020

\$4,515.00

Thanksgiving Donation

\$350.00

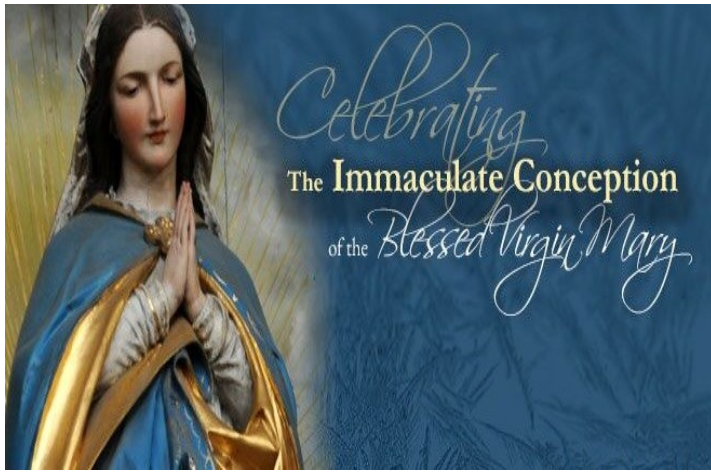
November 29, 2020

\$12,289.00

*God Bless for your donations*

### Pray for the Sick, the Elderly and the Homebound

Christine Brown, Lily Simon, Zarina Liwag, Sandra Jean Pierre, Thomas Vita, Fernand Arty, Baby Sigler, Alina Romanczuk, Rosemarie Hermann, Joe Emerson, Dan Mahoney, Vincenza Virdone and Mary Ann Keegan and Michael Watts.



**MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020**

07:00 pm (ENG)

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020**

07:00 am (ENG)

08:00 am (POL)

05:00 pm (ENG)

07:30 pm (POL)

**NOVENA TO GOD THE FATHER**

Sunday, December 6th after 12:30 PM Mass.  
All are welcome.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

Members meeting and Christmas Brunch will take place on Sunday - December 6, 2020 at 1:30PM in the Parish Hall. Mask and social distancing are mandatory.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We are happy to share with you the names of students from St. Hedwig's Church who received the Honor Roll at Kellenberg Memorial High School.

<b>School Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>School Year 2020-2021</b>
Joseph Bencosme	National Honor Society
Connor Fennell	Joseph Bencosme
Tristan Konefal	Madeline Krug
Madeline Krug	Maria Krug
Maria Krug	Mary O'Connor
Mary O'Connor	<b>National Junior Honor Society</b>
Gabriela Zawadzka	Tristan Konefal

We are very proud of your accomplishments and continued success in school!

**CHRISTMAS TREES SALE**

Fresh cut christmas trees and wreaths are for sale in the parking lot of our parish hall. Ronald Nadolny invites us all to support our church with the purchase.

**OPLATKI** (Christmas Wafers) are available in the church and in our office for a donation of \$5.00. Donations will be used for our many renovations.



**31 ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE**

begins Tuesday, December 8 at 9 p.m. and continues through Wednesday, December 9, 1 a.m.

For participation information check Website: [sites.google.com/site/nationalnightofprayerforlife](https://sites.google.com/site/nationalnightofprayerforlife).

**MASSES AT LIMITED CAPACITY**

- Daily and weekend Masses are resumed. Morning Mass at 9 o'clock has been permanently removed from the schedule.
- The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in effect.
- Masks must be worn while at Mass.
- Holy Communion will be distributed after the Mass. Eucharist taken in hand is recommended.
- Collection will be taken by Ushers practicing safety guidelines. You can also make your donations by placing it in the baskets that will be at the door of the church. Use of on-line giving is encouraged.
- There will be no exchange of the sign of peace.
- Rectory Office is open during regular office hours: (from 9 am –till 5pm) however parishioners are urged to make calls and limit visits (must wear masks)
- Church will be open for a private prayer daily from 9am-7pm.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please send all bulletin requests to: [contact@stthedwig.church](mailto:contact@stthedwig.church). The deadline for the bulletin is Monday at 11:00 AM.



*Like a shepherd he feeds his flock*

## FLAVOR OF POLAND

*with Aleksandra August*

**Flavor of Poland**, 13-odcinkowy, cotygodniowy serial o Polsce w Amerykańskiej telewizji publicznej pokazuje piękno, historię, kulturę kraju oraz wysmienita polską kuchnię. Jest szansa na wydanie całego serialu na DVDs oraz na publikacje Albumu-Cookbook z pięknymi zdjęciami polskich miast oraz regionalnymi przepisami. Jeśli chcesz poprzeć oba projekty poprzez donacje proszę wypisać czek na: Independent Film Factory i skontaktuj się z Halina Koralewski 718-343-416 hkoralewski@aol.com. Bądź dumny z tego, że jesteś Polakiem i pokaż to!

**Flavor of Poland** 13 episode series about Poland, its culture, beauty, history and an exquisite Polish cuisine is shown every week on American public TV. For sponsorship opportunities regarding the production of the series on DVDs and publishing Album-Cookbook with pictures of Polish cities and regional recipes please write a check to: Independent Film Factory and contact parishioner Halina Koralewski at 718-343-3416 hkoralewski@aol.com. Thank you for your support.

### AKTUALNOŚCI POLSKIEJ SZKOŁY



**Zajęcia Polskiej Szkoły Doksztalcającej im. Św. Jadwigi we Floral Park** odbywać się będą w soboty, w godz. 9:00-12.30 budynku Sali Parafialnej przy 309 Jericho Turnike. Przyjmowane są dzieci w wieku 4-14 lat. Po szczegółowe informacje proszę dzwonić do Dyrektora Szkoły, Doroty Kaczmarzyk (516) 851-0523.

### ST. HEDWIG'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM



Faith Formation classes are held on Thursdays:  
Grades 1-5 from 5:00 - 6:00pm  
Grades 6-8 from 6:15 - 7:15pm

#### Structure of the catechetical program:

1. Religion lessons in the remote learning system on the zoom platform. (additionally some assignments, homework and info will be placed on parish website, email or google classroom)
2. Once a month Thursday Mass at 5:00pm - no zoom class at that day.
3. Sunday Mass and other devotions services.

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 AM- 8:00 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 PM on *Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel* and at 11:00 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. To listen online or receive more information regarding *Religion and Rock* go to [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com). or at "Religion & Rock" on *ITUNES*. Don't forget to tune into the Catholic Faith Network, Cablevision 29, Verizon FIOS 296 or Time Warner 471 or visit [www.cfntv.org](http://www.cfntv.org)

### PLEASE PRAY FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

**Angelina Campagna  
Giovanni Santoro**

*Eternal rest grant unto Them,  
O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon Them. Amen.*



# Aging Out of Foster Care

Magda Rosada

## INTRODUCTION AND REVIEW OF PAST LITERATURE

**A**ging out of foster care can sometimes reveal the presence of barriers to young people's smooth and effortless transition into independence. When foster care recipients become legally recognized as adults, they lose eligibility for services that the welfare system provides, such as housing, medical aid, and care. Being left without financial and emotional support, those exiting foster care may experience the increased risks of unwanted outcomes, such as bad financial decisions, crime, addiction disorders, unhealthy relationships, and similar issues. Just like emerging adults raised by biological parents, individuals that age out of the system may lack well-developed decision-making and life skills to analyze the long-term consequences of their actions and make the best possible choices.

## TOPIC SPECIFIC INFORMATION

**A**lmost a quarter of one million children exited the U.S. care system in 2019 due to different reasons, including reunification with families, adoption, guardianship, and emancipation (The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2020b). Out of all reported exits in 2019, 8% or more than 20,400 discharges were related to reaching full legal age (The U.S. DHHS, 2020a). Recent figures demonstrate, the number of young foster care recipients that age out and should start an independent life has increased recently.

## APPLICABLE THEORY

**A**s per the life course theory, the timing of life changes and interventions can have a significant impact on care leavers' life outcomes (Brady & Gilligan, 2018). Before reaching the age of majority and making plans regarding independent life, individuals in foster care should have enough opportunities to learn how to become independent and deal with everyday issues without help. Many of these young people's educational needs are adequately addressed with the help of Preparation for Adult Living services aimed at those aged between sixteen and eighteen. Despite their benefits, these currently available services do not seem to pay enough attention to street survival skills and physical self-protection skills that many foster care leavers might find helpful.

## APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

**I**n 1986, the U.S. Government introduced the so-called Independent Living Initiative to support aging-out youth and facilitate their transition to independence (Courtney, 2019). Within the frame of this initiative, states are provided with funds to design and implement educational programs to prepare foster care recipients aged at least 16 for entering independent life each state (Fowler, 2017).

## PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

**R**egarding practical considerations, young people leaving foster care due to their age should receive substantial support from the system to develop essential decision-making and life skills to care for themselves. Teenagers in foster care should be taught the basics of financial literacy, including, for instance, lessons on insurance, the interpretation of credit reports, or the prevention of identity theft. It is essential to provide financial tips for young adults about managing money, including the importance of financial self-control, thinking about the future, having an emergency fund, and saving for retirement.

## CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

**B**ased on the discussion of practical considerations, to make aging out less stressful and reduce the risks of adverse outcomes for former foster care recipients, it may be essential to emphasize the development of essential life skills in emerging adults. In particular, it can be recommended to increase the proportion of teenagers and young adults receiving ILP services. More specifically, the provision of some types of ILP services, including personal finance and health education, may need to be increased to make sure that young people leave the system with adequate money management and self-care skills.

