



# St. Hedwig's Church

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JANUARY  
**29**  
2023

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Blessed are the  
poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven."**

**Matthew 5:3**

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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)  
6:30 PM (English)

### EVE OF HOLY DAYS:

6:00 PM (English)

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7:00 AM (English)  
8:00 AM (Polish)  
9:30 AM (English)  
6:00 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** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DEACON** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**LECTORS' MINISTRY** \_\_\_\_\_  
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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, JANUARY 28, 2023

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

05:00 pm For Parishioners

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023

### **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

07:00 am For sick and suffering  
08:00 am Za chorych i cierpiących  
09:30 am +Adele Galasieski by Jo-Anne Galasieski  
11:00 am +Miroslaw Rajtak od Rodziny Kaczmarczyk  
11:00 am +Maria Żurawel od Polskiego Kółka Różańcowego  
11:00 am +Eugeniusz Pędzich (Rocznica) od Jolanty i Piotra Pędzich  
11:00 am +Jozef Frydrych od Jolanty i Piotra Pędzich  
06:30 pm Special Intention

## MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023

07:00 am +John Hart by Mary Hart  
08:00 am Za Parafian

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023

St. John Bosco, Priest

07:00 am Special Intention for Danielle Auguste  
08:00 am O zdrowie, opiekę i błogosławieństwo Boże dla Artura

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

07:00 am Health and blessings for Marie Jankowski (on her birthday) by Henry and Marie Jankowski  
08:00 am +Franciszka Rożek od Ani, Bożeny i Gavi'ego z dziećmi

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2023

### **The Presentation of the Lord**

07:00 am For our present and past priests  
08:00 am +Msgr. Edward Wawerski by Hannah O'Driscoll

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2023

St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

07:00 am +Justo Mendoza Salazar by Alice Villegas  
08:00 am Za Parafian  
09:00 am Health and blessings for the Family Members by Danielle Auguste  
07:30 pm O boże błogosławieństwo dla członków Polskiego Kółka Różańcowego i ich Rodzin

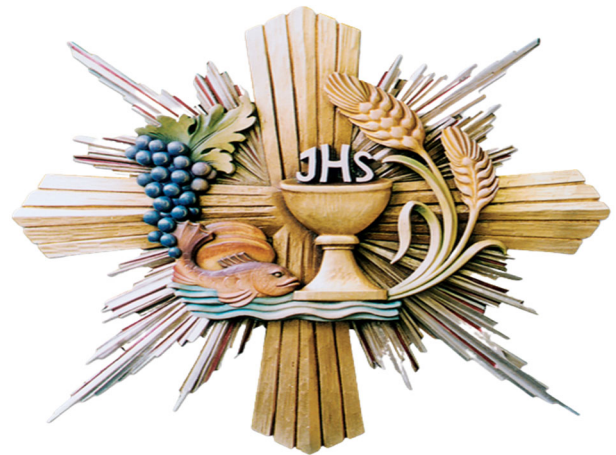
## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2023

07:00 am +Franciszka and Kazimierz Rożek by Parishioners  
08:00 am +Maria Dreszel od Siostry z Rodziną  
09:00 am For Deceased Family Members by Danielle Auguste  
05:00 pm +Bruce Turner Jr. by Ewa Drabczyk z Rodziną

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

### **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

07:00 am +Sadie Bifalco by Carol and Peter Peise  
08:00 am +Cecylia Chaber od Rodziny Zając  
09:30 am +Agnes Książek by Daughter Linda  
11:00 am +Jan Balcer od Syna z Rodziną  
11:00 am O zdrowie i błogosławieństwo Boże dla Barbary i Andrzeja Klusek od Siostry i Brata z Rodzinami  
06:30 pm Special Intention



**FIRST FRIDAY:** Additional 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 Saturday of the month after 5:00 PM Mass

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

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS:** Every Tuesday at 8:00 PM in English and Italian

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

## LIST KSIĘDZA PROBOSZCZA

*Drodzy Parafianie i Przyjaciele,*

Dzisiaj czytamy Ewangelię tak dobrze nam znaną, a zawsze tak zaskakującą. W tym fragmencie o ośmiu błogosławieństwach Jezus proponuje nam model życia i wartości, które według Niego mogą uczynić nas prawdziwie szczęśliwymi.

Szczęście jest bez wątpienia głównym celem, do którego wszyscy w życiu dążymy. I gdybyśmy zapytali ludzi, w jaki sposób próbują być szczęśliwi albo gdzie poszukują swojego szczęścia, otrzymalibyśmy bardzo różne odpowiedzi. Jedni powiedzieliby, że w dobrze zespolonej rodzinie, inni, że w zdrowiu i pracy, jeszcze inni, że w rozrywce i spotkaniach ze znajomymi, a ci, którzy najbardziej ulegli wpływowi konsumpcyjnego społeczeństwa powiedzieliby, że w pieniądzu i możliwości kupowania jak największej ilości rzeczy, a przede wszystkim w osiągnięciu wysokiego statusu społecznego.

Błogosławieństwa, które przedstawia nam Jezus, nie są tymi, które proponuje nam dzisiejszy świat. Pan mówi nam, że będą «błogosławieni» ubodzy w duchu, ci którzy się smućą, cisi, ci, którzy łakną i pragną sprawiedliwości, miłosierni, czystego serca, ci, którzy wprowadzają pokój, ci, którzy cierpią prześladowanie dla sprawiedliwości... (Mt 5,3-11).

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*Ks. Piotr Rozek, Wasz Pastor*



## LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

*Dear Parishioners and Friends*

Today, we can read this Gospel, so well known by most of us but, at the same time, so surprising. With this fragment of The Beatitudes, Jesus offers us a model of life; some values that, He says, are the only ones that can make us truly happy. Surely, happiness is what we all are looking for in our life. And if we would ask anyone how is he trying to be happy, or where does he look for their own happiness, we should probably get many different answers. There would be those who would claim they only find happiness in solid Christian family principles; others, in being healthy and have a job; others, who revel in friendship and leisure time..., and then, there would be those more influenced by our consumer society, who would claim that happiness consists in having plenty of money to be able to acquire as many things as possible and, most than all, to reach the highest possible social status.

The beatitudes Jesus is proposing us are not, precisely, those our today's world is offering us. The Lord says that «fortunate» will be those who are poor in spirit, the gentle, those who mourn, those who hunger and thirst for justice, the merciful, those with a pure heart, those who work for the peace, those who are persecuted for the cause of justice... (cf. Mt 5:3-11). This message by the Lord is addressed to those who want to live a life of unselfishness, of meekness, of desire for justice, of preoccupation and interest for the problems of their fellow men, and cast aside all the rest.

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*Fr. Piotr Rozek, Your Pastor*



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

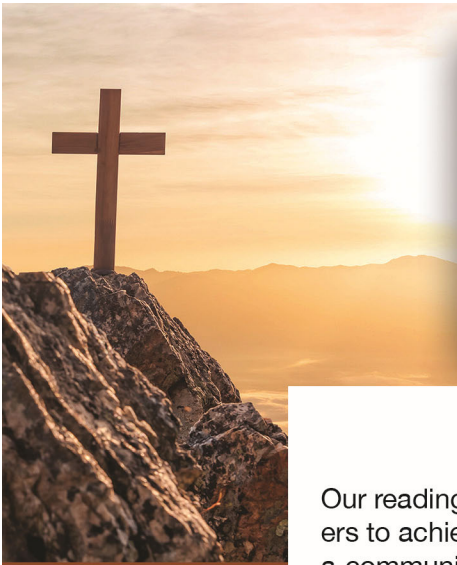
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### **Pray for the Sick, the Elderly and the Homebound**

Christine Brown, Lily Simon, Zarina Liwag, Sandra Jean Pierre, Fernand Arty, Baby Sigler, Alina Romanczuk, Rosemarie Hermann, Joe Emerson, Dan Mahoney, Vincenza Virdone, Mary Ann Keegan, Michael Watts, Neida Ramos, Connie Dziomba, Gordon Schaefering, Theresa Gerzak, Elzbieta Turon, Donna Ragan, Anita Durane, Patty Hildebrandt, Lorraine Taylor, Robert Grayson, Lisa Kelleher, Maryann Dziomba, Alice Collins and Maryann Tomaine.



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**GOD’S REIGN HERE AND NOW**

Our readings this week all speak of the distinctive characteristics of the people God gathers to achieve God’s purposes. The deep communion of love that God envisions requires a community that is humble and lowly, as Zephaniah describes. God chooses the weak and foolish to reveal God’s strength and wisdom, as Paul says. And in the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches that a people who know their weakness and vulnerability can most fully place their trust in God and work for a just world. As Christians, we believe God will fully heal our world when Christ returns. But Christ also invites us to experience a foretaste of this future right now, through our life in Christian community, and in our work of peacemaking and justice-seeking in the world. Our poverty in spirit can enable us to be both recipients and instruments of the “kingdom of heaven” here and now.

**THE BLESSED COMMUNITY**

We turn to the first action of Jesus’ public ministry described by Matthew — Jesus preaching to the crowds in what we call the Sermon on the Mount. The Sermon begins with today’s Gospel passage, the Beatitudes. Having just called his first disciples to form a community, Jesus begins to spell out what this community is all about. The Beatitudes lay the foundation, describing the primary values and practices, and the core identity of this community.

Jesus tells his followers, first and foremost, that they are blessed by God. The community will reveal its blessed character through its humility, meekness, and hunger for justice. Knowing they are loved as God’s children, they will have open and pure hearts, free to be merciful, and they will be able to endure suffering gracefully. Listening anew to the Beatitudes, we remember how far we fall short of Jesus’ vision. But we know God has gathered us, and continues to transform us, to receive the fullness of blessing.

**WHOM GOD HONORS**

In Jesus’ time, honor and shame were key markers for who is up and who is down in their society. Typically, those with wealth and power over others were to be honored. And in our own time, often we find ourselves drawn strongly toward having more abundance, control, and options to choose from. We avoid vulnerability and limitations. But Jesus says in the Beatitudes that the poor and meek are truly blessed, that is, honorable and privileged by God. How can this be?

Perhaps Jesus is first exposing the opposites to the poor and meek, the “rich in spirit.” These develop such confidence in themselves, based on achievement or inherited privilege, that they isolate themselves from God, and either ignore or exploit others. Jesus also knew that the humble in heart realize that they cannot build an illusory self-affirmation, so they can be most open to God’s affirmation of them. They can then become more deeply empowered to participate in God’s work. God blesses and honors the open-hearted.

**TODAY’S READINGS**  
Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12–13  
Psalm 146:6–7, 8–9, 9–10  
1 Corinthians 1:26–31  
Matthew 5:1–12a

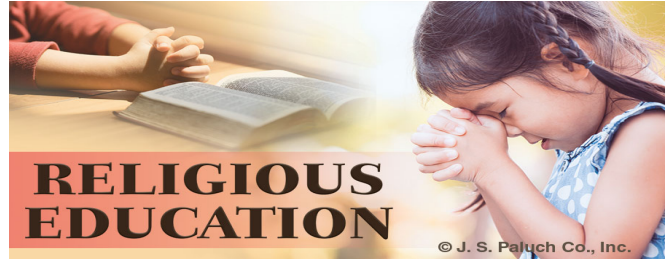
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im. św. Jadwigi we Floral Park

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- Szkoła należy do Centrali Szkół Doksztalcających i realizuje program nauczania dla szkół polonijnych.
- Wykwalifikowana kadra pedagogiczna prowadzi zajęcia dla grup wiekowych od 4-go roku życia do klasy 8.
- Lekcje odbywają się w soboty w godz. od 9:00 do 12:30.
- Uczymy języka polskiego, literatury i kultury polskiej, historii, geografii, a także polskich tradycji i obyczajów.
- Szkoła prowadzi kursy przygotowawczy do egzaminu LOTE, którego pomyślne zaliczenie daje uczniom kredyty do szkół amerykańskich oraz do Egzaminu Certyfikacyjnego z Języka Polskiego jako obcego, który umożliwi zdobycie certyfikatu.
- W szkole panuje ciepła, rodzinna atmosfera.
- Uczniowie biorą udział w licznych imprezach okolicznościowych, konkursach i spotkaniach z ciekawymi osobami.
- ZAPRASZAMY NA NASZĄ STRONĘ INTERNETOWĄ: [polskaszkolafloralpark.org](http://polskaszkolafloralpark.org)
- Kontakt: [psfloralpark@gmail.com](mailto:psfloralpark@gmail.com)
- Dyrektor: Emilia Boguszewska tel. # 347 721 80 48 (proszę zostawić wiadomość).



**St. Hedwig's Faith Formation Program**

The goal of participation in this program is to prepare oneself, as practicing Catholics, to receive the sacraments. Being Catholic is a lifelong endeavor and involves much more than receiving a select number of sacraments. It is a process that continues through one's life and ideally should reflect in one's daily life. Please come and join us.

We look for Volunteer Religious Catechists or Assistant Catechists in our church. Please call for more info to Director of Religious Education

**Contact: Christopher Gospodarzec, DRE  
631-875-8413 or parish 516-354-0042,  
Visit us also on the parish website in the link of  
Faith Formation at: [www.sthedwig.church](http://www.sthedwig.church)**

**IT IS WITH GREAT JOY WE WELCOME  
TO ST. HEDWIG'S FAMILY**



**WITH GREAT SADNESS OUR  
CHURCH MOURNS THE DEATH OF**

***Angela Mazzella***

Angela was a very respected member of our community and a special person who was very close to our parish.

*May Angela who was given the promise of eternal life in Baptism, be admitted to the company of the saints.*

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

The next Rosary Altar Society Meeting will be on

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH AT 11:00AM**

In the Parish Hall. All Members are urged to attend and new Members are welcome.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS OF**

***Sadie Bifalco***

Sadie was a long-time parishioner here at St. Hedwig and a member of the Rosary Altar Society. Her Mass of Remembrance was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023.

*May she be blessed with eternal rest in the loving arms of our precious Lord.*

**TAX DONATION LETTER**

Dear Parishioners, we will send you a copy of your *donations* in th year 2022 upon request by you. If you need a statement, please complete the form below and return it to the parish ofice in the Sunday collection. This procedure will save time and postage. **God Bless for your generosity to St. Hedwig's Church.**



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**2022 DONATION RECEIPT**

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