



# St. Hedwig's Church

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Be vigilant at all times  
and pray that you have the strength  
to escape the tribulations that are imminent  
and to stand before the Son of Man. *Luke 21:36*

*The Last Judgement,  
from The Small Passion  
Albrecht Dürer  
(German, 1471-1528)  
c. 1510  
Metropolitan Museum of Art  
New York*

*First* Sunday of *Advent*  
November 28, 2021

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**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

**SICK CALLS:** Any time. Call cell (516) 776-5486

PASTOR \_\_\_\_\_  
PASTOR EMERITUS \_\_\_\_\_  
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Rev. Msgr. Edward Wawerski \_\_\_\_\_  
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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)

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

## 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, NOVEMBER 27, 2021

05:00 pm Angelo Solinas and Marise Falchi by Family  
05:00 pm +Angelina Campagna by Enzina Vaccarino

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am For Parishioners  
08:00 am +Władysława Skalski od Rodziny  
08:00 am +Zofia Haszczyk od Córki z Rodziną  
09:30 am +Diane V. Hayes by Alice Villegas  
11:00 am +Waleria Morawiec od Syna z Żoną i Wnukami  
11:00 am +Maria i Stanisław Morkis od Syna z Rodziną  
12:30 pm +Frank Tonkin by Kiper Family  
12:30 pm +Edward Turon by Parents  
06:30 pm The Corsaro and Giecwicz Families by Family

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021

07:00 am +Glen Konefal by Stanley and Maria Konefal  
07:00 am +Giovanni Santoro by Family  
08:00 am +Władysława Skalski od Rodziny  
08:00 am +Roman Darabasz od Rodziny Juniewicz

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

St. Andrew, Apostle

07:00 am To Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary  
08:00 am +Władysława Skalski od Rodziny  
08:00 am +Franciszka i Adam Grodzki od Syna z Rodziną

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021

07:00 am +Michael Mahony by Brother Dan  
08:00 am +Władysława Skalski od Rodziny  
08:00 am Podziękowanie za udaną operację od Parafianki

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2021

07:00 am Blessings and thank you to Magda by Florence Prokopiak  
08:00 am +Maria Tutka od Jolanty Trojanowskiej  
08:00 am +Władysława Skalski od Rodziny

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

07:00 am For Parishioners  
08:00 am +Dorothy Shapins od Barbary  
08:00 am +Jan Kwaśnik od Jerzego Miśkiewicz  
09:00 am Health and Blessings for Family Members by Danielle Auguste  
07:30 pm +Maria Tutka od Rodziny Surdyka  
07:30 pm O Boże błogosławieństwo dla naszego Proboszcza ks. Piotra Rożka od Polskiego Kółka Różańcowego

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

07:00 am +Mrs. Hayes by Alison and Tony Urias  
07:00 am In Honor of St. Barbara by Marie Masseus  
08:00 am O zdrowie i błogosławieństwo Boże dla Elżbiety z Rodziną  
09:00 am Deceased Family Members by Danielle Auguste  
05:00 pm +John J. Daunt (Happy Anniversary in Heaven) by Loving Mom and Dad  
05:00 pm +Jos Rodriguez by Rose and Ivan Toro

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am For Parishioners  
08:00 am +Andrzej Brzozowski od Siostry z Rodziną  
09:30 am +Deceased Members of Grabowski and Dluginski Families  
11:00 am +Miroslaw Rajtak od Jadwigi i Czesława Słoma  
11:00 am +Jan Kwaśnik od Moniki Wit  
12:30 pm +Sophie Pothlanski (Birthday) by Daughter and Son in Law, Joan and Joseph Lewandowski  
06:30 pm For Parishioners



**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. Rosary in English: Second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Church. 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,*

Dziś rozpoczynamy nowy rok liturgiczny wraz z początkiem Adwentu. Adwent jest okresem pokutnym, skoncentrowanym na przygotowaniu nas do obchodów Wcielenia (czyli Boga, który staje się człowiekiem) w Boże Narodzenie i powrotu Jezusa na końcu czasów. Ten fragment Izajasza przypomina nam o pokutnym charakterze tego okresu. W rzeczywistości jest to wezwanie do pokuty i błaganie Boga o przebaczenie. W tym fragmencie słyszymy, że Bóg jest „naszym ojcem” i „naszym odkupicielem”. Bóg kocha nas nieskończoną miłością. On chce nas zbawić od naszego grzechu. On chce, jako garncarz, uformować nas, swoją glinę, w to, kim chce, abyśmy byli. Jednak często „wędrujemy” i „zatwardzamy nasze serca”. Prawda jest taka, że jesteśmy grzesznymi ludźmi. Wszyscy jesteśmy nieposłuszni Bożym przykazaniom i przymykamy oczy na Jego wolę dla nas. Wszyscy jesteśmy winni odwrócenia się od Boga. Mimo to Bóg może nas powitać z powrotem. Bóg może ofiarować nam swoją łaskę i przebaczenie, aby nas do Niego przywrócić. Pytanie brzmi, czy mu na to pozwolimy? Miłosierdzie Boże jest nieskończone, ale często niechętnie o nie prosimy. W tym okresie Adwentu zatrzymajmy się i zbadajmy swoje sumienie, zastanawiając się, w którym miejscu popełniliśmy błąd i prosimy Boga o przebaczenie naszych grzechów.

*Ks. Piotr Rozek, Wasz Proboszcz*



## LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

Today we begin a new liturgical year with the start of Advent. The season of Advent is a penitential one focused on preparing us for the celebration of the Incarnation (i.e. God becoming man) at Christmas and the return of Jesus at the end of time. This passage from Isaiah helps remind us of the penitential nature of this season. It is, in fact, a call to repentance and a plea to God for His forgiveness. We hear in this passage that God is “our father” and “our redeemer.” God loves us with an infinite love. He wants to save us from our sin. He wants to, as the potter, mold us, His clay, into who He wants us to be. Yet, we often “wander” and “harden our hearts.” The truth is that we are a sinful people. We all disobey God’s commands and turn a blind eye to His will for us. We are all guilty of turning away from God. Still, God can welcome us back. God can offer us His grace and forgiveness to restore us to Him. The question is, will we let Him? God’s mercy is endless but we are often reluctant to ask for it. During this Advent season, let us stop and examine our conscience, reflecting on where we have fallen short and ask for God’s forgiveness for our sins.

*Rev. Piotr Rozek, Your Pastor*

# ADVENT



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

**November 21, 2021**

The amount for this collection will be posted  
in the next bulletin

*God Bless for your donations*

### **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 oraz Curtis, Elzbieta Turon, Donna Ragan, Merit Rizzuto, Lucy Catalano, Anita Durane and Morgan DellaCrosse.



FIRST

Sunday  
OF

Advent

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars.  
When these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads  
because your redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28

## A NEW BEGINNING

Today, whether at evening, morning, or midday, in many communities of different churches around the world, the first candle lighted in each Advent wreath silently but beautifully announces the beginning of a new liturgical year. This new beginning presents a grace-filled opportunity for us to resolve to live not simply according to the secular calendar of our commercialized society, but according to the spirit of the liturgy. There's nothing wrong—indeed there can be something quite holy—about planning to celebrate God's surprising gift of the Son by surprising our loved ones with thoughtful gifts at Christmas. But how important, amid the rush of holiday preparations, to take the time and to make the effort to appreciate Advent's early twilights and later sunrises, awash in the purples, deep blues, and even the dusky rose colors we associate with Advent. Thus we let nature's own "Advent" prompt reflections on the "Advent" that Jeremiah saw coming.

## IMAGES OF THE END-TIMES

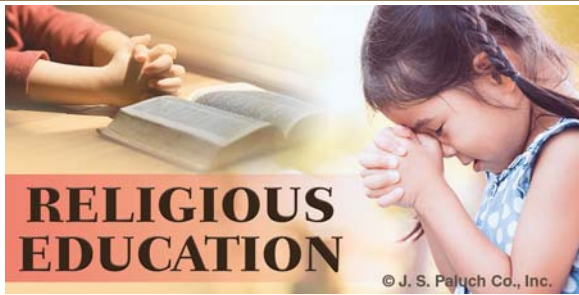
How forcefully today's scriptures challenge us to attend to the ominous nature of the Kingdom's definitive in-breaking! The call echoes through Jeremiah's prophecy: "In those days, in that time" and in Paul's letter: "at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen." The theme intensifies toward a crescendo in Luke: "there will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth . . . dismay and perplexity." People will be scared to death—literally—"in anticipation of what is coming upon the world," as "seas and waves roar" and "the powers of heaven will be shaken." And all of this will be just a prelude to "the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." In the face of this "awful" (that is, filled-with-awe) ending, Jesus warns his disciples to guard against two equally debilitating extremes, both of which seem to be trademarks of our contemporary culture: deadening diversion on one hand, and frantic anxiety on the other.

## PREPARATION FOR THE END-TIMES

In light of these predictions of frightening end-times, Jesus advises us to embrace his three-fold "Preparation for the End Program": (1) "Beware!" that is, be aware of what really matters, life's true priorities. (2) "Be vigilant at all times," that is, watchful for Christ's coming not only at the end but in the meantime, in family and neighbor, friend and stranger. (3) Above all, "pray." Prayer, communion with God, will help us to remember that for faithful disciples, The End of this world—or our own lives, whichever comes first—will be The Beginning of a joy no one can take from us, fullness of life that will never end. How lovely if this Advent's renewal prepared us to look forward to the moment of Jesus' coming—in his glory or our death—not as a cataclysmic disaster, but as a reason for which to "stand erect and raise (our) heads (in joyful expectation) because (our) redemption is at hand."

## TODAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 33:14–16  
Psalm 25:4–5, 8–9, 10, 14  
1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2  
Luke 21:25–28, 34–36



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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### 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

More info on the website  
Director of Faith Formation  
Christopher Gospodarzec  
631-875-8413



**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** wants to thank all parishioners. We collected and dropped off 123 boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you for all your generosity and support.

**ST. HEDWIG'S HAS A PAGE ON FACEBOOK** and we invite all our parishioners who use social media platform to like our page. Use the search feature and type in @sthedwigfloralpark to find our page. We will be posting Sunday Mass announcements and our bulletin cover and activities that are going on in the Church. It is a good way of keeping informed as well as a good source to ask questions or post comments. We look forward to seeing you on Facebook.

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### PLEASE PRAY FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH



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

### ROSARY IN ENGLISH

The schedule for the Rosary in English is as follows:

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021**  
**Wednesday, December 22, 2021**

Prayer begins at 7:00 pm in the Church

We invite all to come and participate as we pray and ask our Blessed Mother Mary for her intercession.

## Faith On Tap

A singles only event  
Ages 25-45



TIRED OF DATING APPS?  
LOOKING TO MEET SOMEONE WHO SHARES YOUR FAITH?  
COME JOIN US FOR DRINKS, FOOD, CONVERSATION, FUN AND GAMES!

December  
6th  
2021

7 PM - 10  
PM

Wantagh Inn,  
Wantagh Inn  
2nd floor

Contact  
Charlene  
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### ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The next ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING will be on  
SUNDAY - DECEMBER 5TH  
At 1:30PM in the PARISH HALL.  
WE WILL BE HAVING OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON.  
If you haven't yet responded to attending please call Tricia Kuczinski - 516-354-8527

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



*Zachary Frank Szymczak*  
*Sebastian Ulazka Jr.*  
*Pola Zelkowski*