

SAINT HEDWIG'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: 20 minutes before Mass and other times (see below) • **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Tuesday to Friday, from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. • Sundays, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Recitation of the Rosary:** 30 minutes before each Mass. **Last Week's Attendance:** 5 pm: 90; 8 am: 144; 11 am: 209: Total: 443

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 21st,2026

Monday June 22	St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; St. John Fisher, Bishop; St.Thomas More, Martyrs 8:00 a.m. +Fr. Mervin Coulas by Tony & Lorraine Bleskie
Tuesday June 23	Ferial 8:00 a.m. +Emma Zilney by the Lepine family
Wednesday June 24	The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist (Solemnity) 8:00 a.m. +Pamela George & deceased family members by Constance Martin
Thursday June 25	Ferial 8:00 a.m. Br. Grzegorz Loska Intention
Friday June 26	Ferial 8:00 a.m. +Felix & Monica Pecarski & Frank & Mary Glofcheskie by Rose Marie & family
Saturday June 27	Our Lady's Saturday 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Confessions 9:00 a.m. Intentions of Richard Peppler by Josee

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 28th, 2026

Saturday	4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Confessions
	5:00 p.m. +Agnes & Bronis Mask by John, Greg & Faye Mask
Sunday	8:00 a.m. +Paul & Martha Lorbetskie & deceased brothers & sisters by Stanley & Anna Mary
	11:00 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners

13 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 28th, 2026)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Deacon Probert	John Boskill	Mark Westen
Ushers	Duncan Barber (crew captain) and ushers	Stanley Rumleskie (crew captain) and ushers	Daniel Shalla (crew captain) and ushers

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 28th 2026

Monday June 29	Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles (Solemnity) 8:00 a.m. Intentions of Elijah Craine by Elena Afelskie
Tuesday June 30	The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church 8:00 a.m. +Julia Prince by Carl Zilney
Wednesday July 1	Ferial (Canada Day) [Note time change] 9:00 a.m. +Dominika Kulik by Mark & Alexandra Zasowski
Thursday July 2	Ferial 8:00 a.m. +Dennis Palbiski by Zigmund & Jennifer
First Friday July 3	St. Thomas, Apostle 8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased family - Yantha, Hudder, Pecarskie, Ostrowskie & Sushack by A&L Yantha 12:00 noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Nocturnal Adoration 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
First Saturday July 4	Our Lady's Saturday 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Confessions 9:00 a.m. +Fr. Mervin Coulas by Edward & Marla Recoskie 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Confessions

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 5, 2026

Saturday	5:00 p.m. +John & Annie Steffan & deceased family by Bronis Steffan
Sunday	8:00 a.m. +Ambrose A.J. Stoppa by Stoppa family
	11:00 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners

14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 5th, 2026)	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Readers of the Word	Mary Yantha	Nicholas Rumleskie	Peter Baklinski
Ushers	Duncan Barber (crew captain) and ushers	Stanley Rumleskie (crew captain) and ushers	Daniel Shalla (crew captain) and ushers

Offerings: Last Sunday: \$3,757.00; Building Maintenance: \$400.00;
Bishop's Appeal: \$230.00; Education of Priests: \$55.00

First Friday Announcement: *Since Fr. Michal will be away there will be no confessions at 5:00 pm, no mass at 6:00 pm and no visitation of the sick on First Friday in July.*

Also: Installation of the Church Hall flooring began on Monday June 15th.
Please note that the Hall will not be available for a few weeks.

50th & 25th Anniversary Reception: On the occasion of Deacon Jean-Nil Chabot's 50th Anniversary in the Deaconate, June 6th, and Fr. Jerry Gauvreau's 25th Anniversary in the Priesthood, we will be having a reception under the portico after the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday June 21st. Please join us for ice cream sandwiches. May God bless them both abundantly for their generous and devoted service to our Parish.

Fr. Michal Away: Fr. Michal will be on vacation starting next week for a month. Fr. Jerry Gauvreau will be filling in for him.

Summer Bulletins: Now that summer is here we have started 2 week bulletins until early September.

Volunteers Needed!: We are looking for some volunteers who are able to maintain the flower beds at the front of the Church. Duties will include watering, weeding and light maintenance. Please contact the office.

Men's Rosary: Come for Rosary prayer open to men on Monday July 6th, 7:00 pm in St. Hedwig's Church. Men are invited, fathers bring your sons as well.

Euchre: The next Euchre game will be held on Sunday June 28th and July 12th at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$5.00.

Upcoming Polish Brunch: Will take place on Aug. 16th at 12:00 p.m. in the Church Basement. Sausage, perogies, sauerkraut, beans, muffins, tea, coffee and juice. **Only 150 tickets will be printed.** Takeout is available. Adults \$15:00 Children under 10 \$8.00. Call for tickets Barbara 613-281-5091 or Cathy 613-756-3656. Proceeds go to Sacred Heart League.

"Be Not Afraid': The Church's Call to Mission in a Post-Christian World.":

Strengthen your faith and enjoy the Ottawa Valley! Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College, located in Barry's Bay, Ontario invites you to their annual Wojtyla Summer Institute from August 6-9, 2026. Keynote Speaker is Archbishop Marcel Dampousse (Ottawa-Cornwall Archdiocese). For more information and to register: <https://www.seatofwisdom.ca/news/summer-institutes/wojtyla2026/>

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites: Would you be interested in discerning a secular(lay) vocation? Are you spiritually attracted to St. Therese of Lisieux or St. Teresa of Avila? Our group (not a prayer group) meets monthly at St. Andrew Parish in Killaloe, ON. For more information call Patricia at 613-756-2267.

86th Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac on Sunday, July 26th: The Triduum of preparation will be led by Bishop Michael Brehl, Bishop of the Diocese of Pembroke. The principal Pilgrimage Mass will be at 11:00 a.m. at the Shrine. The Sacrament of Confession is available throughout the day. A Mass of healing with the Anointing of St. Ann's oil will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. (Please bring your own seating.) On site : St. Ann's religious articles and other religious articles, St. Ann's Mass League memberships, food and refreshments vendors. For more information : <http://www.cormacpilgrimage.com> or <http://www.facebook.com/CormacStAnn> Welcome everyone!

Pope's Prayer Intention for June

For the values of sports – Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

From Fr. Michal:

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1) Jeremiah 20:10-13

2) Romans 5:12-15

3) Matthew 10:26-33

For anyone who has ever been afraid to speak the truth, today's readings should be a source of strength and encouragement. Just prior to the passage we hear in today's first reading, Jeremiah prophesies that Judah will suffer under the Babylonians for their refusal to repent. Because of this, Jeremiah is beaten and put in stocks overnight (see Jer 20:1-2). Our reading picks up at this point; we hear Jeremiah speak about the treachery all around him as he feels the full cost of his faithfulness to God.

In our own lives, we know that truth-telling can come with heavy costs. Taking a public stand for Gospel values sometimes brings pushback or ridicule. Whistleblowers who speak out against injustice may risk losing their jobs or face intimidation tactics aimed at silencing them. People who urge family members to correct harmful behaviors often face being cut off from their loved ones.

While we know there can be real challenges in bearing witness to the truth, our readings give reason for hope. Even amid persecution, God will be with us. Despite his arrest, Jeremiah praises God: *But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph.* Like Jeremiah, we can rejoice even amid persecution and suffering, because the Lord is with us.

In the Gospel, Jesus further reassures us that *Not one [sparrow] falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.* In these simple verses, Jesus is telling us that we are each precious to God. Nothing happens to us without his knowledge. We can rest in the knowledge that God will not allow anything outside of his will to happen to us as we bear witness to his truth.

As we come to this Eucharist, let us thank the Lord for his presence with us and ask for his strength as we strive to bear witness to his truth. May we fearlessly proclaim from the rooftops what God has spoken to us, bringing the light of his truth to our world.