



St. Hedwig's Church

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

3RD SUNDAY OF
Advent
Songs of Shepherds and Joy



December 17, 2023

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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 09:30 AM (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

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)

PASTOR _____
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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 16, 2023

05:00 pm The Kane, Hughes and Pendon Families

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am +Paola Stirpe by Mr. And Mrs. Joseph Scarappicchia
08:00 am Za Parafian
09:30 am +Edward Nawrocki by Ray Sikorski
09:30 am +Joan Sokolowski by Tom and Tina Costello
09:30 am +Hani Sabet by Family
09:30 am +Edward Kuczinski by Andrea and Joe Crupi
11:00 am +Mary Allen O'Driscoll
11:00 am +Ted Gerwatowski od Polskiego Chóru Parafialnego
11:00 am +Marianna Kapuśniak od Dzieci
06:30 pm +Marie Markowitz by Smith Family

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

07:00 am Health and blessings for Fr. Piotr Rozek
08:00 am +Patrick Cashin od Hannah O'Driscoll

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023

07:00 am Health and blessings for Fr. Piotr Rozek
08:00 am +Hannah Mary oraz John Steven O'Driscoll od Hannah O'Driscoll

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2023

07:00 am +Melvin Duch by Duch/Olszewski Family
07:00 am +William O'Driscoll by Daughter Hannah
08:00 am +Mary i John Murphy od Hannah O'Driscoll

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023

Memorial of St. Peter Canisius,
Priest and Doctor of the Church

07:00 am Health and blessings for Fr. Peter Rożek by Parishioners
08:00 am Health and blessings for Theresa Cashin by Hannah O'Driscoll

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023

07:00 am For Parishioners
08:00 am Za dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023

07:00 am +Ted Gerwatowski by Hannah O'Driscoll
08:00 am +Stefan Brzozowski od Córki z Rodziną
05:00 pm +Regina Piaścik od Rodziny
05:00 am +Dominico „Mimi” Donnarumma by Anthony Donnarumma

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

07:00 am For all souls by Muscat Family
07:00 am +In Memory of Constance La Tempa by Rosemarie
08:00 am +Franciszek i Józef Kurzyna od Rodziny
11:00 am +Maria Kościcka (7 Rocznic) od kochającej Córki
11:00 am +Bogdan Juniewicz od Rodziny
05:00 pm Special Intention
10:00 pm In thanksgiving to our Pastor Fr. Peter
12:00 am Specialna Intencja dla Artura
12:00 am (Parish Hall) Mass in Italian



FIRST FRIDAY: Additional 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, Fr. Pio Mas at 7:30PM

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,

LIST KSIĘDZA PROBOSZCZA

Drodzy Parafianie i Przyjaciele

Dzisiaj, w środku Adwentu, otrzymujemy zaproszenie do radości i do nadziei: «Zawsze się radujcie, nieustannie się módlcie! W każdym położeniu dziękujcie» (1Tes 5,16-17). Pan jest blisko: «Córko moja, twoje serce jest dla Mnie niebem», mówi Jezus świętej Faustynie Kowalskiej (i oczywiście Pan chciałby powtórzyć to każdemu ze swoich dzieci). To dobry moment, aby przemyśleć wszystko to, co On dla nas zrobił i podziękować Mu.

Radość jest kluczową cechą wiary. Wielkim szczęściem jest czuć się kochanym i zbawionym przez Boga; świadomość, że jesteśmy braćmi Jezusa Chrystusa, który oddał za nas Swoje życie jest głównym powodem chrześcijańskiej radości. Chrześcijanin poddający się smutkowi będzie miał marne życie duchowe, nie dołą dostrzec tego wszystkiego, co Bóg dla niego zrobił, a co za tym idzie, będzie niezdolny, aby to głosić. Chrześcijańska radość wypływa z aktu dziękczynienia, zwłaszcza za miłość, którą okazuje nam Pan; każdej niedzieli dokonujemy tego wspólnie, celebrując Eucharystię.

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LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners and Friends

Today, in the midst of Advent, we receive an invitation to joy and hope: “Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus” (1Thes 5:16-17). The Lord is near: “My daughter, know your heart is Heaven for Me”, Jesus tells Saint Faustina Kowalska (and certainly, the Lord would like to repeat this to each of His children). It is a good time to think about all that He has done for us and give thanks to Him for it.

Joy is an essential characteristic of Faith. To feel loved and saved by God is a great joy; to know that we are brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, who gave His life for us, is the main reason for Christian joy. A Christian given over to sadness will have a weak spiritual life, will fail to see all that God has done for him or her, and therefore, will be unable to transmit it to others. Christian joy springs from gratitude, especially for the love that the Lord shows us; we do so in communion with Christ, every Sunday, through the Eucharist.

From: Evangeli.net

Your Pastor, Fr. Peter



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WEEKLY COLLECTION

December 8, 2023

\$1,179.00

December 10, 2023

\$8,796.00

Pray for the Sick, the Elderly and the Homebound

Fr. Peter Rozek, Rosemarie Hermann, Joe Emerson, Vincenza Virdone, Mary Ann Keegan, Michael Watts, Neida Ramos, Connie Dziomba, Theresa Gerzak, Donna Ragan, Anita Durane, Patty Hildebrandt, Lorraine Taylor, Robert Grayson, Lisa Kelleher, Maryann Dziomba, Maryann Tomaine, Joyce Kopko, Nicholas Bartkus and Claudia Catalano, baby Madeline Griffen, baby Olivia.



Christmas

SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24, 2023

- 5:00 P.M. (ENG)
- 10:00 P.M. (ENG)
- 12:00 A.M. (POL) in Church
- 12:00 A.M. (ITA) in Parish Hall

CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25, 2023

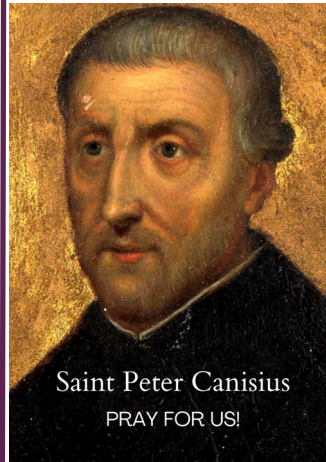
- 7:00 A.M. (ENG)
- 8:00 A.M. (POL)
- 9:30 A.M. (ENG)
- 11:00 A.M. (POL)
- 12:30 P.M. (ENG)
- No Evening Mass on Christmas Day**

CONFESSIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN ENGLISH AND IN POLISH

- On Monday, December 18 at St. Hedwig's Church, from 5:00pm-8:00pm and on Saturday, December 23 from 3:00pm-5:00pm
- On Tuesday, December 19 at St. Ladislaus Church in Hempstead, from 5:00pm-8:00pm.
- On Wednesday, December 20 at St. Hyacinth Church in Glen Head, from 7:30pm

OPLATKI (CHRISTMAS WAFERS)
are available in the rectory office and in the church
for a donation for St. Hedwig's most urgent needs.

ST. PETER CANISIUS



The energetic life of Peter Canisius should demolish any stereotypes we may have of the life of a saint as dull or routine. Peter lived his 76 years at a pace which must be considered heroic, even in our time of rapid change. A man blessed with many talents, Peter is an excellent example of the scriptural man who develops his talents for the sake of the Lord's work.

Peter was one of the most important figures in the Catholic Reformation in

Germany. He played such a key role that he has often been called the "second apostle of Germany," in that his life parallels the earlier work of Boniface.

Although Peter once accused himself of idleness in his youth, he could not have been idle too long, for at the age of 19 he received a master's degree from the university at Cologne. Soon afterwards he met Peter Faber, the first disciple of Ignatius of Loyola, who influenced Peter so much that he joined the recently formed Society of Jesus.

At this early age Peter had already taken up a practice he continued throughout his life—a process of study, reflection, prayer, and writing. After his ordination in 1546, he became widely known for his editions of the writings of St. Cyril of Alexandria and St. Leo the Great. Besides this reflective literary bent, Peter had a zeal for the apostolate. He could often be found visiting the sick or imprisoned, even when his assigned duties in other areas were more than enough to keep most people fully occupied.

In 1547, Peter attended several sessions of the Council of Trent, whose decrees he was later assigned to implement. After a brief teaching assignment at the Jesuit college at Messina, Peter was entrusted with the mission to Germany—from that point on his life's work. He taught in several universities and was instrumental in establishing many colleges and seminaries. He wrote a catechism that explained the Catholic faith in a way that common people could understand—a great need of that age.

Renowned as a popular preacher, Peter packed churches with those eager to hear his eloquent proclamation of the gospel. He had great diplomatic ability, often serving as a reconciler between disputing factions. In his letters—filling eight volumes—one finds words of wisdom and counsel to people in all walks of life. At times he wrote unprecedented letters of criticism to leaders of the Church—yet always in the context of a loving, sympathetic concern.

At 70, Peter suffered a paralytic seizure, but he continued to preach and write with the aid of a secretary, until his death in his hometown of Nijmegen, Netherlands, on December 21, 1597.

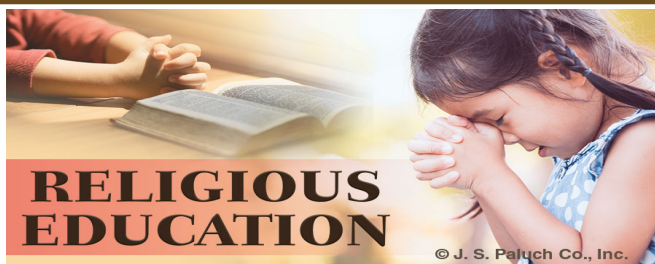
From: [Saint Peter Canisius](#) | [Franciscan Media](#)



**Polska Szkoła Doksztalająca
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- Szkoła należy do Centrali Szkół Doksztalających 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 umożliwia 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
- Kontakt: psfloralpark@gmail.com
- Dyrektor: Emilia Boguszewska tel. # 347 721 8048 (proszę zostawić wiadomość).



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

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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**

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS
OF OUR PARISH**



Eileen Brownlee

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

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

The Rosary Altar Society is happy to announce that we were able to Donate \$9,500.00 from our Annual Christmas Fair to Our beloved Church.

We want to Thank ALL PARISHIONERS for their support!!!! We wish you all a BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU ALL

NOTE FROM DEACON IVAN

I would like to personally thank the Rosary Altar Society of St. Hedwig's for their kindness and generosity toward me. I am greatly moved and inspired by this amazing group of women, led by their president, Stephanie, who have done so much for our Church and are a true light to the world. May God bless you all. Merry Christmas.

Deacon Ivan

PARAFIA ŚWIĘTEJ JADWIGI WE FLORAL PARK
ZAPRASZA WSZYSTKICH NA:

Zabawę Sylwestrową
2023-2024

NIEDZIELA, 31 GRUDNIA, 2023

DO TAŃCA GRA ZESPÓŁ

EFFECT
START: 8:00PM CENA: \$150 ZA OSOBE
MŁODZIEŻ DO 21 LAT \$75
GORĄCA KOLACJA, ZIMNE ZAKĄSKI, GORĄCE I ZIMNE NAPOJE
W CENIE BILETU 1 BUTELKA SZAMPANA I WÓDKI NA STÓŁ

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