

SAINT HEDWIG CATHOLIC CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024



François-Joseph Navez: The Incredulity of Saint Thomas, 1823

TRUTH † GOODNESS † BEAUTY

Shepherd's Corner

Women's College Basketball



Dear St. Hedwig Family:

Many of you may have heard of Caitlin Clark by now. She is the best player in women's college basketball right now and perhaps of all times. Clark plays for the Iowa Hawkeyes, which is the same state where she grew up Catholic and played at a Catholic High School. I am impressed not just with her talent but with how she handles herself on and off the court. She is humble, works hard, and is filled with joy and enthusiasm. I think that Caitlin Clark is a great model for young girls. Iowa will take on the University of Connecticut in the Final Four Tournament on Friday, April 5, with the winner advancing to the championship game on Sunday, April 7.

The best player for the University of Connecticut is Paige Bueckers, who is also a superstar in her own right. What I like about Bueckers, is that she is open about her Christian faith. When she is interviewed, she gives credit to God and thanks the Lord for all that he has done for her. She prays and makes the sign of the cross while on the court. Bueckers too is humble, hardworking, and not afraid to bear witness to Christ in a world that frowns upon religion, especially Christianity.

As I was searching for women's college basketball players who are Catholic, the name Shelly Pennefather came up. Pennefather played college basketball for Villanova University in the 1980's and was awarded the best player in women's college basketball player in the country in 1987. After playing professional women's basketball in Japan for a few years, she answered God's call and joined the Poor Clares Monastery in Alexandria, Virginia in 1991 and became Sr. Rose Marie. You can read more or watch a video about this inspiring woman online.

Lastly, about six months ago, I was searching for a Catholic movie to watch, and I came across, *The Mighty Macs*. This movie is based on the true story of *Immaculata College* – a small all women's Catholic college in Pennsylvania – and their basketball team that won the championship in 1972. This is a good, inspiring family movie that I recommend. Even in the world of women's college basketball, the Lord is working through individuals and teams to inspire and bring others to come to know him, love him, and praise him.

With much love and care,
Fr. Quan Tran
Pastor

Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from his heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. She wrote in her diary that He said:

I want the Image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it...My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy.



Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified," said Pope John Paul II.

Source: Shrine of Divine Mercy

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Month of April is dedicated to the Eucharist

Holy Eucharist, simply is Christ's body, blood, soul, and divinity under the appearance of bread and wine. It is not a symbol of Christ, but rather, it truly is Jesus Christ.

At the point in the Mass, known as the consecration, the priest, acting in persona Christi, will say "This is my Body, which will be give up for you" and "This is my Blood." These were the words of Our Saviour when He turned the bread and wine, at the Last Supper, into His Body and Blood, and, by the divine power of God in the priesthood, the bread and wine become Jesus Christ.

Clearly, we need Jesus as He is the "only way, truth, and life," and it is in the Most Holy Eucharist that the distance between Heaven and Earth is the shortest and we receive Our Lord, Most High. That intimate moment can not be put into words as it is only the soul that speaks with such fervent love that some are moved to tears.

Let us spend this month in prayer to our Lord to share with us the intimate relationship that He desires us to have with Him.

Source: Immanu Grace

Thank you to Joanne Walsh for helping our 6th graders with there Icon Project. It is amazing to see all the great artist we have here at St. Hedwig!





Holy Week 2024
 Holy Week is the culmination of our faith and a very special week for all Christians. We are so thankful to all our parish community for all those that served and helped with all activities.






In Service to One, In Service to All.

Join us in answering the call to help others—give blood!

Red Cross Blood Drive
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Sunday, April 21, 2024
7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.


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Those who come to give blood, platelets or AB Elite plasma April 8-28, 2024, will receive a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice.* PLUS chance to win a \$7K gift card www.rcblood.org/spring

EASTER BASKET PROJECT

Thanks to all who donated candy or helped with the bunny basket project. We made and delivered over 120 baskets to elderly residents of local facilities. The response to the candy donations was extremely generous; we had so much candy that we made some additional baskets for Previous Life Shelter, Casa Youth Shelter and St. Vincent de Paul.



HEY THERE ST. HEDWIG PARISHIONERS!

We have a fun opportunity for you. The Christian Services Ministry known as H.O.P.E. from St. Irenaeus Catholic Church in neighboring Cypress is bringing back its dinner dance fundraiser after a 4 year hiatus due to COVID.

.We have two food distributions a month and an office in the rectory where we distribute food and a number of other necessities five mornings a week.

Come on out on April 27 to enjoy an evening with our friends and our Catholic Community. If you are interested in buying tickets, please call Val Cordova at 714-917-5798 or Bob Sgobba at 714-994-0743.



Mass Intentions

Sunday April 7

8:00 AM The Copeland Family
 10:00 AM Christopher Eshe †
 Noon Pro populo
 5:00 PM Daniel Larson †

Monday April 8

8:30 AM Joyce McNeely †
 5:30 PM Alex Muagututia

Tuesday April 9

8:30 AM Jan Evans
 5:30 PM Melencio Ventura †

Wednesday April 10

8:30 AM Bill Hintze †
 5:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory †

Thursday April 11

8:30 AM Ann Nuiry †
 5:30 PM The Patrick Family

Friday April 12

8:30 AM Alice Flores †
 5:30 PM Raymond Gonzales †

Saturday April 13

8:30 AM Carmen Evans-Rowland †
 5:00 PM Bill Allen †
 Carolyn Maney †
 Danica Sorich †
 Danilo Fajardo †
 Jerry Dallape †

HIPAA—All hospitals are prohibited from informing churches of a patient's presence unless the patient gives permission for the hospital to do so. If you are admitted to a hospital and would like, a member of the clergy, or a Eucharistic Minister to visit you, please notify the hospital or call the Parish Office.

Sunday Donations: 3/31/24

Sunday \$ 34,844
 Online \$ 6,444
 SVDP \$ 3,558



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Prayer Intentions

For Expectant Mothers

Madeline Oi Dodini
 Nina Perez
 Victoria Graham
 Lianna Tonner
 Chelsea Rotner

For the Sick

Donald Baumann
 Santino Zandier
 Patty Gallegos
 Sadie Butscher
 Sean Smith
 Noah Bragg
 Dolores Gonzalez
 Mary Maguire
 Catherine Williams
 Martha Avelar
 Julie Anderson
 Jim Wilhelm
 Maria Rivera
 Lorena Alcaraz
 Marian Serna
 Lupe DeLeon

For the Deceased

Leo Smith
 Richard Joseph Cavallaro
 John Serrano
 Leo Curtin
 James Resh, Jr.
 Mary Devine

PSA 2024 as of 4/1/2024

Goal: \$250,000
 Funds Raised: \$ 130,238
 Funds Received: \$ 106,905
 Total Donors: 242

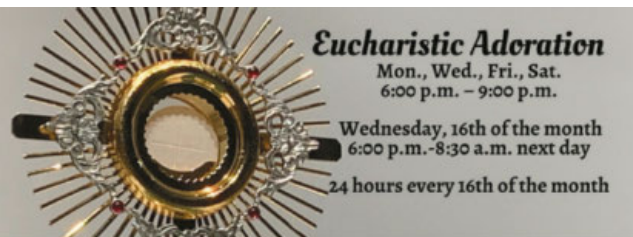
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Presider Weekend Schedule

Saturday, April 13

5:00 PM - Fr. Quan Tran

Sunday, April 14

8:00 AM - Fr. Dave Klunk

10:00 AM - Fr. Quan Tran

12:00 PM - Fr. Quan Tran

5:00 PM - Fr. Dave Klunk

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Saturday 8:30 AM

Monday - Friday 5:30 PM

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:00 PM

Confession

Wednesday 6:30 PM

Saturday 3:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Adoration

Monday, Friday, Saturday

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Wednesday

6:00 PM - 8:15 AM (next day)

24-hour Adoration on the 16th of every month

after 8:30 AM Mass

Liturgy of the Hours

Monday - Saturday 7:30 AM in Prayer Room

Rosary

8:00 AM Monday - Saturday in the Church

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Every Friday following the 8:30 AM Mass

Church Hours:

Everyday 6:30 AM - 9:00 PM

Front Office Hours

Monday & Tuesdays: 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

(Closed for lunch from 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM)

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays:

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

(Closed for lunch from 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM)

Saturday - Sunday: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Articles for the bulletin MUST be Submitted 15 days prior to desired Sunday Bulletin. Send emails to: parishbulletin@sainthedwig.org.

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- Altar Linen
- Altar Servers
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- Bereavement
- Bible Study - Adults
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Communications
- Contemplative Prayer Group
- Cursillo
- Day of Service
- Environment
- Eucharistic Adoration
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Evangelization
- Faith Formation Support Team:
 - Baptism
 - Confirmation
 - SRE
 - Young Adults
 - Youth Ministry
- Hospitality:
 - Greeters & Ushers
 - Hospitality Team (Events)
- Knights of Columbus
- Lector
- Legion of Mary
- Life in the Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group
- Maria Immaculata Mission Circle
- Mary's Beloved Garden
- Music:
 - Adult Choir
 - Youth Band
 - Children's Choir
- Our Lady of Lourdes Guild
- Pastoral Council
- Respect Life
- Rose Garden
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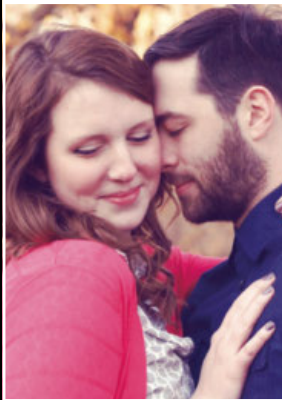
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