

ST. HEDWIG CATHOLIC CHURCH

A FAITH COMMUNITY OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ORANGE

APRIL 19, 2020

**“Death is swallowed up in victory.
Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?”**

**Thanks be to God who gives us the
victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

1 Corinthians 15: 54-55, 57

PASTOR'S CORNER



Life Goes On

My Easter message was written many weeks before Covid-19 changed all our lives. Sometimes the deadline for things I need to write is well in advance of the date it will be published and reading something written so long ago may not at all connect to current events. Nonetheless, I hope my Easter message was a helpful reminder as to why we believe in Jesus and in His death and Resurrection.

It looks like it will be some weeks to come before we can gather for public Mass, so being able to reach out to parishioners through print, social media, our parish website, email or phone calls is very important to me and the parish and school staff. A lot has changed all of a sudden – no public celebrations of Sunday Mass, Holy Week liturgies, or the Solemnity of Easter. Our school and faith formation programs are conducting distance learning and won't be coming back to school until late August. We couldn't pass out blessed palms, we haven't been able to hear confessions or anoint the sick in the hospital or assisted living places. Parents want to have their babies baptized, our children are waiting to find out when they can receive their First Holy Communion, our teens are waiting for Confirmation. Our adults were supposed to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Our 8th graders are wondering when and how graduation will happen this year.

And yet life goes on... Parish members have gotten sick, and some have died. People are having virtual birthday parties and are coming up with ways to stay busy and active. Many are unable to work and are concerned for their financial wellbeing. We limit our activities outside the home and have to stay six feet apart and wear masks when we go places. Yes, life does go on, but it's different and may continue this way for some time.

When Jesus died on the cross the Apostles and disciples felt that life was over. They lived in fear, locked in their homes, wondering what was going to happen next. But everything changed when Jesus rose from the dead, and when He appeared that Sunday night in the Upper Room. Their sadness that Jesus was dead and gone was turned into an amazing joy, and life would never be the same again.

I believe this will be our experience too. The sadness of separation from one another will end someday, the fear of this illness will be replaced with a new love of life, and those who have missed gathering in worship will once again rejoice in the Risen Lord together. Until that day, I remain in prayer for all of you. Your priests are still saying Mass although privately, and some essential parish services have continued by computer. Thank you for the support you give to your parish, allowing us to continue to work and prepare for the day when we meet again! St. Hedwig, pray for us!

Fr. Christopher Heath, Pastor

"I am love and mercy itself. There is no misery that could be a match for my mercy, neither will misery exhaust it, because as it is being granted – it increases. The soul that trusts in my mercy is most fortunate, because I myself take care of it."

Jesus to St. Faustina

Register for Faith Formation

Registration for SRE and Confirmation 2020-2021 is now open!

Registration forms can be found here: <http://bitly/hedwig-ffreg>

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Clark at jclark@sainthedwigparish.org



PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

Our faith. Our future.

Thank you for your generous donations to the 2020 Pastoral Services Appeal!

The 2020 PSA rebate will be utilized for fixing the plumbing and structural issues of Quinn Hall, which is heavily used by many groups, for major events, and for Christmas and Easter overflow masses.

So that we can thank you properly, up-to-date numbers for our parish will be published in an upcoming bulletin once Masses resume at St. Hedwig.

Sign up for Online Giving

We are so grateful to those who have sent in donations during these times. Your generosity is humbling. Every dollar will help lessen the long-term effects of this crisis, so that we can continue to serve you and the wider community.

If you'd like to continue donating, you can always mail in your donations to:

St. Hedwig Catholic Church
11482 Los Alamitos Blvd
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Or, consider signing up for electronic giving. Electronic giving is easy and secure! Simply visit www.bit.ly/hedwig-donate

If you need help signing up or have questions about your account, please contact Phillip Shifflet at 562-296-9016 or pshifflet@sainthedwigparish.org

Masses Broadcast Online

In this unprecedented time when public Masses have been suspended in every diocese in the United States, many churches have turned to broadcasting Mass online.

St. Hedwig masses will be uploaded to our YouTube channel. We are working on broadcasting them live. Refer to our website for the most up-to-date information. You can access them here: <http://bit.ly/hedwig-youtube>



Christ Cathedral (Garden Grove) - <http://bit.ly/masses-cc>
Daily Mass: English at 6:30am, Vietnamese at 5:30pm
Sunday Mass: English at 9:45am, Spanish at 11:30am, Vietnamese at 1:15pm

St. Edward the Confessor (Dana Point) - <http://bit.ly/masses-sted>
Every day at 9am

Out Lady Queen of Angels (Newport Beach) - <http://bit.ly/masses-olqa>
Sunday at 10:15am

See a **full list** of online broadcasts in the Diocese of Orange - <http://bit.ly/masses-list>

What's Happening at St. Hedwig School?

SHS Continues Distance Learning

The Diocese of Orange has closed schools for the rest of the 2019-20 school year. Though Celtics aren't coming and going through our doors, they're hard at work through distance learning.

Thanks to the magic of modern technology, students are interacting with their teachers and each other, collaborating on projects and staying on pace with the curriculum. With patience and faith, we're getting through this together.

Still Accepting Applications

Though our office is closed, our online application process continues. We're working remotely and here to help with any question or concern you have. Email principal Erin Rucker directly at erucker@sainthedwigparish.org or leave a voice mail at 562.296.9060. We'll respond within 24 business hours.



EASTER MEMORIAL GARDEN



In Memory Of


Aguili Family
Antimarino, Ron
Barré, Jim & Lois
Belloise, Stephen & Serafina
Betwarda, Bacchus
Brizuela Family
Ciasca & Mucho Families
Elkins, Robert
Gatti, Lee
Giuargis, Pepron
Kasper, Eleanor
Kasper, Joseph
Kodabaksh, Anna


Kodabaksh, Emmanuel
Kodabaksh, Jack
Kodabaksh, Jerbrael
Koppenheffer, Haydee
LaCasto, Leonard J. Sr.
Miranda, Daniel & Carol
Mueller, Michelle
Murray, Anthony
Murray, John
Nemzek, Robert & Bernice
O'Neill, Marjein
Otten, Jerome

Otten, Joe
Otten, Matthew
Otten, Patricia
Pearson, Judy
Piwowar, Roberta
Ransons, Hendrika
Ransons, Marinus
Schultz, Walt & Ann
St. Hedwig Faithful Departed
Turner, James D.
Warner, Christopher
Weaver, Jim & Doris

Social Media

 @sthedwigparish

 Saint Hedwig Catholic Church

 @sthedwigparish
@sthedwigparishautumnfest

Office of Faith Formation

School of Religious Education
Confirmation & Youth Ministry
Adult Faith Formation

@ok2beshy
@sthedwigyoungadults



Young Adults Ministry

Virtual Lenten Bible Study
11am • Sundays during Lent

For more information, please contact
Sarah Baldwin at
sarahb528@gmail.com

School Of Religious Education (SRE) & Confirmation

Class gatherings have been cancelled. In lieu of classes, we are going digital. For all SRE and Confirmation classes, please check our YouTube channel, "St Hedwig Youth Ministry," at your normal class time. Look for weekly emails with the link so we can all grow together online.

SRE—Monday **Conf.—Year 1**
Middle School April 26
6:45 - 8pm

SRE—Tuesday **Conf.—Year 2**
4:15 - 5:30pm April 19
6:45 - 8pm

Faith Formation

Registration for Adult Confirmation is now open. Forms are available in the church vestibule, Office of Faith Formation, and online. For more info please contact Jennifer Clark.



**St. Hedwig Parish
E-Newsletter**

**Sign up for St. Hedwig's
email newsletter so you
can stay in the loop with all
the goings on at our parish!**

www.bit.ly/hedwig-news

Excerpt from *Awesome Glory*
By Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, OSB

The most important event of human history, indeed, the most important event that has ever happened anywhere in the created universe, is the death of Jesus Christ on the cross and his being raised from the dead by the one whom he called God and Father. This event is the central proclamation of the Christian faith. Everything that is Christian derives from this: a way of life, a way of prayer, a body of doctrine. If we Christians are to understand our faith and live it, we must continually deepen our grasp of what it means to say that the Jesus who was crucified has been raised up. An unimaginable new content has been introduced into our world by the resurrection of Jesus. Everything in the created order is changed by it. What was "natural" can now be played in a new key: a sweeter, stronger music that is nothing less than supernatural. The new key of resurrection takes up every melody of the old creation—from the joyous sounds of life's greatest pleasures to the heart-rending cries of suffering and death—and plays it in its supernatural tones. All that was passing and destined to be lost in the natural world is transformed into a song that will sound forever in the presence of God.

Easter is the annual celebration of this totally transformative event. By our very celebration of it—which in fact is extended over many days—we come under its force, we yield to its sway, we are inserted into the new life that will never end. Sunday

Eucharist is the weekly celebration of this totally transformative event. Annually, in our celebration of Easter, we are renewed in our participation in the mystery of the Lord's resurrection. Weekly, in our celebration of Sunday Eucharist, we are renewed in the same. Annually we prepare for Easter with forty days of Lent. We enter Easter day by means of the liturgies of the Paschal Triduum, but these launch us into the fifty days of Paschaltide, and all this culminates in the feast of Pentecost, an unimaginable outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the whole world.

The church lives her whole life in the world from the regular and continual nourishment she receives from her participating in these events. The liturgies of the Paschal Triduum, of the whole paschal season, and of Pentecost, as well as the subsequent Sundays of the year, are themselves *events*. They are strong, complex set of rites. In all their moving and acting and speaking and singing and taking up of symbols of the strongest kind, these liturgies become *events* in the community that celebrates them. In fact, these liturgical *events* converge with the most important *event* that has ever happened: the death and resurrection of Jesus. By means of the liturgical events the community has communion with *the* event. We die with Christ and rise with him to new and everlasting life.

Buy the book: <http://bit.ly/awesome-glory>
Permission granted by Liturgical Press.

Sacraments & Faith Formation

Baptism, Age 6 or younger Parish Office (562) 296-9000
Age 7 or older Office of Faith Formation (562) 296-9007

Holy Communion, Office of Faith Formation (562) 296-9040

Confirmation, Office of Youth & Young Adults (562) 296-9020

Holy Matrimony, Parish Office (562) 296-9000

Must provide at least six month advance notice before proposed date

Anointing of the Sick, Parish Office (562) 296-9000
Available on request or by appointments

Funerals, Parish Office (562) 296-9000

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, RCIA,
& Adult Faith Formation** Jennifer Clark (562) 296-9007

Ministries & Organizations

Altar Servers

Cindy Resong ceb357@aol.com

Altar Linen Ministry

Mary Villa (562) 430-9052

Autumnfest

info@losalfair.org

Bible Camp

Office of Faith Formation (562) 296-9040

Bible Study

Carol Meckler (562) 430-3266

Casa Youth Shelter

Amy Lakin (562) 594-6825

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Carol Meckler (562) 430-3266

Caregiver Support

Paty Piar (562) 795-5762

Contemplative Prayer Group

Joanne Walsh (562) 443-8605

Cursillo

Dave Haub (562) 296-9000

Engaged Encounter

Maria & Reynaldo Barcelo (562) 596-0075

Eucharistic Adoration

Diane Gilkenon (562) 430-1995

Eucharistic Ministers

Elizabeth Jones (949) 233-3028

Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound

Miriam Lindley (714) 318-4761

Eucharistic Ministers to Los Alamitos

Medical Center Donna Eagar and Rosalia Mattern (562) 296-9000

Eucharistic Ministers to Sunrise,

Katella & Alamitos Helene Calvet (562) 508-0696 or (562) 296-9000

Guilds

St. Francis

Kathleen Luckey (714) 745-8809

Our Lady of Grace

Barbara Jenkins (562) 431-4962

Sacred Heart

Sue MacVicar (714) 345-8946

Health/Bereavement Ministry

Deacon Larry Hurst (562) 296-9000

Hospitality (Ushers, Greeters)

Rolo Barrientos (818) 326-8947

Knights of Columbus

Brian Brady (562) 301-6007

Andy Rehnert (714) 591-6535

Lectors

Eric Butterbaugh (562) 296-9000

Life in the Spirit

Marylou Sanford (714) 462-0950

Mission Circle

Mary Murray (714) 867-2511

Pastoral Council

Jeff Hentges, Chair (678) 983-0956

Pony Baseball

Brian Wiles (562) 818-1694

Prayer Network

Ann Getscher (714) 903-9349

Precious Life Shelter

Theresa Murphy (562) 431-5025

Respect Life

Parish Office (562) 296-9000

Sacristans

Mark & Alice Baldwin (562) 936-1480

Safe Environment Training & Fingerprinting

Office of Faith Formation (562) 296-9040

Scouting

Boy Scouts (Grade 6 & up)

Bernadette Swails (714) 244-0130

Barbara Barfield (714) 357-9858

Cub Scouts (Grades 1-5)

Rolo Barrientos (818) 326-8947

Girl Scouts

Cindy Resong ceb357@aol.com

Secular Franciscan Order

Tina Gath, Minister (562) 481-2301

Diane Halal, Rep. (562) 596-3162

School: Kindergarten - Grade 8

School Office (562) 296-9060

St. Vincent De Paul

Carol Sylvia (562) 296-9000

That Man is You

Deacon Henry Eagar (562) 296-9000

Bible Camp 2020 • July 13-17

Monday-Thursday (8:30am-12:00pm), Friday (8:30am-12:30pm)

Save the date for this week of fun that's packed with faith-filled songs, activities, and experiments!

Registration will begin on Saturday May 16th. Stay tuned for additional announcements regarding important registration information.

Don't get left at the Station! Come join us!

If you have any further questions, please contact Joi Stewart at (714) 595-2167, Stephanie Marquez at (714) 287-0073 or biblecamp@sainthedwigparish.org

Bible Camp Volunteers Needed

Like sharing your Faith and Love of Jesus? Bible Camp needs you! Volunteers are needed for:

- Decorations/Environment Leader & Preschool/Babysitting Leader

If you would like to volunteer to be a Leader in one of these areas, or in another capacity, please contact Monica Wissuchek at mwissuchek@verizon.net or Karen Pelonis at jgpelonis@verizon.net for more information.



Mass Intentions

In light of the suspension of public Masses, the priests of St. Hedwig will continue to celebrate private Masses and each intention below will still be offered, though not necessarily at the dates/times listed here.

Sunday, April 19

8:00am OPEN
10:00am OPEN
12:00pm Elisa Breton †
5:30pm OPEN

Monday, April 20

8:30am Jansco Family †

Tuesday, April 21

8:30am Leonida Tayag †

Wednesday, April 22

8:30am Jansco Family †

Thursday, April 23

8:30am Jose & Joy Ferrufino

Friday, April 24

8:30am Cheyenne Perez †

Saturday, April 25

8:30am Robert Lewis †
5:30pm Patrick Hehir

Sunday, April 26

8:00am Jansco Family †
10:00am OPEN
12:00pm Sherry Hemphill
5:30pm OPEN

Monday, April 27

8:30am OPEN

Tuesday, April 28

8:30am OPEN

Wednesday, April 29

8:30am Chuck Meckler †

Thursday, April 30

8:30am Gary Mucho

Friday, May 1

8:30am Romulo Alcazar †

Saturday, May 2

8:30am Thomas Angiuli †
5:30pm Leo & Jenny Grippi †

Sunday, May 3

8:00am Jansco Family †
10:00am OPEN
12:00pm Christine Orozco †
5:30pm OPEN

Monday, May 4

8:30am OPEN

Tuesday, May 5

8:30am OPEN

Wednesday, May 6

8:30am OPEN

Thursday, May 7

8:30am OPEN

Friday, May 8

8:30am Jansco Family †

Saturday, May 9

8:30am Jerry MacArthur †
5:30pm Ana Nangauta †
Lucy Erwin †

† = deceased

Our Weekly Offerings (Apr 11-12)

Regular Sunday Offering\$15,043.00
Easter\$7,040.00
St. Vincent de Paul\$1,120.00

Please pray for...

Fran van der Linden	Josefina Panganiban	Dave Thorne
Dr. Michael Dawson	Jodie Dietenbech	Catherine Keohane
Kathleen Thornton	Balov Family	Pat Merchant
Michael Shaw	Gloria Bird	Garrett Miley
Jon Dagarin	Sharon Butler	Adrian Ramirez
Margaret Dagarin	Sylvia Contreras	
Rose Macapayag	Sandy Funk	

... and for those who have died in Christ.

Alec Mayfield	Carol Bancroft
Dave Atamian	Denis Kurutz
Jimmy Mayfield	Robert Olszewski
Jeanne Price	Don Thornsburg
Redentor Broas	Jerry MacArthur

Names remain on the sick & deceased lists for four weeks. Please resubmit after that time.

Pray also for our expectant mothers...

Angela Gilkenson Stewart	Flor Elizondo	Melissa Miranda
Naisha Gill	Julia Gregory	Danielle Castro
Shelley Arteaga	Allison Bellumori	

If you are an expectant family, please let us know so that your parish family can pray for you and your baby. Please submit names to parishbulletin@sainthedwigparish.org or (562) 296-9000.



Scripture Readings

Sunday, April 19, 2020: Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 2:42-47 / Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 / 1 Pt 1:3-9 / Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 20, 2020: Monday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 4:23-31 / Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 / Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 21, 2020: Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 4:32-37 / Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 / Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 22, 2020: Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:17-26 / Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, April 23, 2020: Thursday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:27-33 / Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 / Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 24, 2020: Friday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:34-42 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 / Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 25, 2020: Feast of Saint Mark, evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14 / Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / Mk 16:15-20

Sunday, April 26, 2020: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 / 1 Pt 1:17-21 / Lk 24:13-35

HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act)

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.

PARISH BULLETIN DEADLINE is on Friday, 10 days prior to the desired Sunday, at 9:00am. Please email ParishBulletin@sainthedwigparish.org. Back issues of the bulletin can be found on our website.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE is on Thursday at 9am prior to the desired Sunday. Please email PulpitAnnouncement@sainthedwigparish.org