

# SAINT EMERY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

(St. Stephen of Hungary, Bridgeport, CT 1897-1971)  
Szent Imre Romai Katolikus Templom

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## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on a date established ahead of time. Parents are required to attend a pre-Baptism instruction. Sponsors (godparents) must meet church requirements.

### RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance, Confession) will be celebrated on every Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM. Please call St. Emery's at 203-334-0312 to make an appointment for individual confession.

### MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at least six months in advance. Couples must attend a Diocesan Marriage Preparation Conference. No booking for a reception should be finalized until an initial meeting is scheduled with Father Milan Dimic or Deacon Rudy.

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### PARISH REGISTRATION

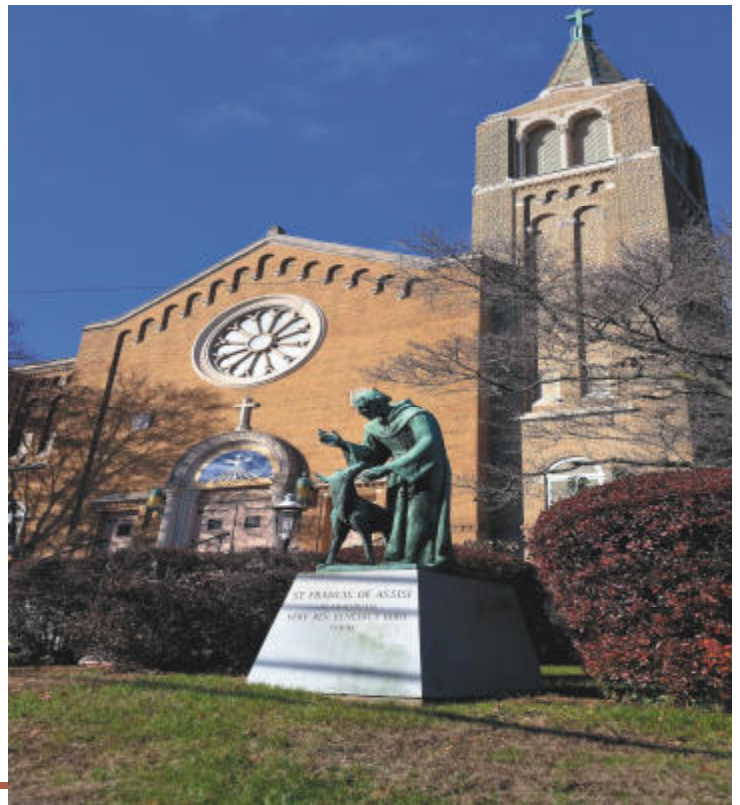
Families moving into the parish should register at the Parish Office as soon as possible. The celebration of Sacraments and Sponsorship Certificates will only be extended to Registered/Sustaining Parishioners.

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

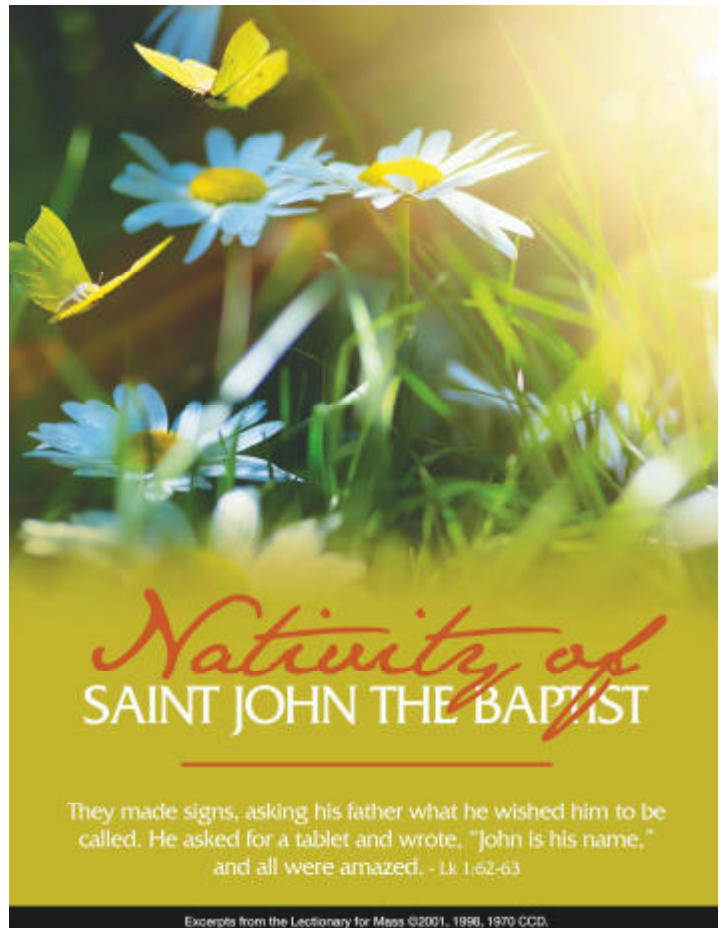
Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for pastoral visits and Communion calls to the sick. Emergency sick calls are made at any time.

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Faith Formation Email: [stemery2@optimum.net](mailto:stemery2@optimum.net)  
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LITURGICAL LIFE  
EUCHARISTIC LITURGY (MASS)  
Saturday Evening (Vigil) 4:30PM  
Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM



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**Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
**June 24, 2018**

**Saturday, June 23—Ordinary Weekday**

4:30 PM Todd Stolze rb David Danko

**Sunday, June 24—The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

9:00 AM Derry Chuga rb Susan Barrett

11:00 AM Pearl Pavel rb Jeannie Bisson

**Monday, June 25—Ordinary Weekday**

8:00 AM Judge Dan Caruso rb Dr. Patricia Richard

**Tuesday, June 26—Ordinary Weekday**

8:00 AM Special Intention rb Justina Psenicnik

**Wednesday, June 27—Ordinary Weekday**

8:00 AM For the parishioners of St. Emery

**Thursday, June 28—St. Irenaeus, Bishop**

8:00 AM For government leaders rb Justina Psenicnik

**Friday, June 29—Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles**

NO MASS

**Saturday, June 30—Ordinary Weekday**

4:30 PM Paul Mandeville rb Lisa Biagiarelli

**Sunday, July 1—13TH Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM MaryAnn Petrone rb sister, Catherine

11:00 AM Intentions of Dorothy LeBeau rb Garych Family



**ETERNAL LIGHT**

This week our eternal light burns brightly in memory of Stephen Mygodney as requested by Joseph Ull.

**Welcome to New Members at Saint Emery's**

We have been seeing new faces recently, we are happy to welcome you to our Family in Faith. Please let us know if you have any questions or ideas. Looking forward to seeing you again.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick**

We ask you to remember in prayer and thought those members of our Parish family – the sick, hospitalized, homebound or elderly and nursing home residents who are unable to worship with us. May the Healing Hand of the Lord be upon them and those who care for them. Please pray for others who are ill or weak and those who hide their suffering. Please especially remember in your prayers, Miralia Torres, Helen Borona, Terri Wasilewski, Kevin Leary, Maria Santos, Fr. Stephen Balint, Pat Dicso, Gary Dicso, Suzanne Barnum, Helen Kautzner, Tanner Clavarino, Chick Fulton, Fred Miller.

If you have someone that you would like included in our prayers, please contact the rectory at 203-334-0312.

<b>Offertory Collection</b>	<b>June 16-17, 2018</b>
Total of All Masses	\$ 1034.00
Loose All Masses	\$ 334.00
Via Mail	\$ 263.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 1631.00</b>
Monthly	\$ 10.00
Air Conditioning	\$ 95.00
Other Donations	\$ 60.00
<b>Total Other Collections</b>	<b>\$ 167.00</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 1798.00</b>

**Thank you for your support!**

**Annual Catholic Appeal 2018**

**OUR PARISH HAS REACHED ITS GOAL  
THANK YOUR FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



**OUR SUNDAY VISITOR**

Online Giving link

is on our parish website

[stemerys.com](http://stemerys.com)

You can continue your weekly donation to our parish while you are on Summer vacation on this secure website.

**June 24, 2018**  
**Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

Tiny fingers and toes. A little yawn. A loud cry. An infant wrapped in swaddling clothes. "What will this child be?" It is a question every parent asks time and time again. As first steps are taken, as personalities emerge, as a child shows interest in reading or drawing or climbing, the question is on our lips. "What will this child be?" This question is asked as John the Baptist is born. Will he be a priest like his father? Does his strange, unexpected name signal a departure from that inheritance? Could Elizabeth and Zechariah ever have predicted what would be?

Under the tutelage of his priestly father, John "became strong in spirit." As an adult, John would retreat into the desert to preach repentance. He would attract a large following and eventually attract the attention of the rulers of the day. He would point out the adulterous ways of King Herod and would find himself in prison. Eventually, he would be beheaded. But today, he is a child, an infant newly born.

On this special feast, we're reminded of the great humility required of parents. The character formation, the discipline and encouragement, the violin lessons and soccer practices? every parental effort is subjected to the decisions of the child themselves. Even children on a sure track by high school graduation transform under life's circumstances. Entrusting our children to God can be incredibly intimidating. "What will this child be," especially when that transformation lies outside of my control? John the Baptist's story might not have ended as his parents imagined. But he is celebrated as the greatest of the prophets, as the one who prepared the way for the Messiah. Here is the hope of all Christian parents -- that our children would be raised in such a way that when people meet them, they meet Jesus Christ.

**Readings for the Week of June 24, 2018**

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 [33a]/Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17



**Saint Emery Parish Pastoral Staff**

Pastor

Rev. Milan Dimic

Deacon

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Mr. Hobert Summers

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Mr. Carroll Fencil

Pastoral Assistant

Ms. Jeanne Bisson

Bookkeeper

Mrs. Cheryl Camillo

Lay Representatives

Mrs. Karen Adams

Mr. Robert P. Kavasansky,

Music Director-Organist

Miss Mary Rose Garych



Christine Hanna and Bo Chen  
Erica Kohalmi and Brandon Gaynor

**Our Parish has a new email address:**

**[stemery@optimum.net](mailto:stemery@optimum.net)**



**Please send all communications to this new address.**

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### St. Emery Prayer Group

Our next gathering will be June 27, 7:00 PM. Please join us in the rectory or contact the parish office to see how you can join us from the comfort of your own home.

### Benediction and Adoration

July 7, 4:30 PM  
July 22, 9:00 AM  
July 29, 11:00 AM



## PARISH BOOK GROUP

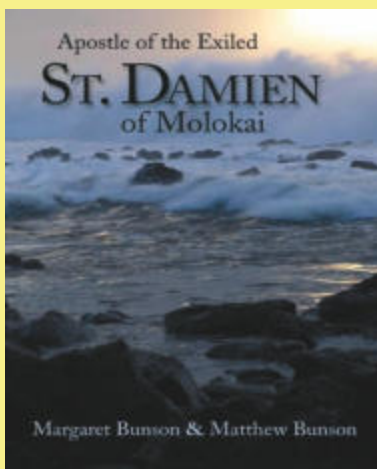
The book for  
our Summer reading:  
St. Damien of Molokai

Discussion date  
to be announced

Please join us!

This book can be  
purchased on  
Amazon.com

Register in vestibule or call the Parish Office



## Parish Ministry to the Sick

If you or a member of your family is in an area hospital or Rehabilitation Facility, please let the parish office know. Because of privacy policies, hospitals and nursing homes can no longer notify the parish when any of our parishioners is admitted.

## ST. EMERY WEEKLY BULLETIN

June 24, 2018

### THE PARISH WEBSITE ([www.stemerys.com](http://www.stemerys.com))

#### **News/Events**

- ◆ St. Emery Annual Concert video and photographs posted, June 20
- ◆ Adult Confirmation posted, Sunday, May 20
- ◆ May Crowning of the Blessed Mother posted, Sunday, May 13
- ◆ Our First Communion children posted, Sunday, April 22
- ◆ The Ladies Tea, Sunday April 22, 2018 posted
- ◆ Annual Church Raffle to fund Bell Tower critical repairs underway, June 3
- ◆ The schedule for 2018 Upcoming Events posted

#### **Outreach**

- ◆ St. Emery meets Bishop's 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal goal
- ◆ The schedule for 2018 Outreach projects posted

#### **Website links**

- ◆ A link to the Parish Facebook page
- ◆ A link to On-Line Giving through OSV
- ◆ A link to the Diocesan website Weekly Bulletin postings

#### **Daily Mass**

Mass is recorded and streams daily on our Parish Facebook Page. Click-on the **Facebook** icon on the *Home Page* sidebar

### Registration for 2018-2019 Faith Formation Program

If you have a child in Grades K through 8 and would like to register them in our parish Faith Formation Program, please contact the Parish Office. Registration for the next school year is now open. Our classes take place on Sunday mornings following the 9:00 Mass. If you would like to learn more about our program, please contact Jeannie Bisson, Director of Faith Formation, 203-334-0312 or online at [stemery2@optimum.net](mailto:stemery2@optimum.net). Our classes begin on Sunday, September 9, 2018.

### My how we've grown!

We need one new catechist to join our team of catechetical leaders. Will you share your time and faith with the young people in our parish? You are needed. All materials and training will be provided. Call Jeannie at the Parish Office if you can help us.





**Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
**June 24, 2018**

**This week's Gospel in the home**

The first two chapters of Luke's Gospel alternate between stories of two births. One is the annunciation and birth of John the Baptist, who was, for Luke, the last great prophet of the Old Testament and who prepared the way for someone greater than any prophet—Jesus the Messiah. The annunciation and birth of Jesus is the other story. The story of John sets the very Jewish environment into which Jesus and John were born. Jesus' annunciation and birth begins to move the Gospel into the environment of the Roman empire.

We read today that Elizabeth's neighbors and relatives rejoice with her because God has shown her mercy in the birth of a son. But they are confused when she tells them that his name is to be John, which means "God has been gracious." Zechariah has been unable to speak since Gabriel appeared, because, unlike Mary, he doubted the angel's word. But when he writes on a tablet "John is his name" all are amazed, and a great fear comes upon everyone. Fear, along with joy and praise, is for Luke the appropriate response to God's mercy. People ask, "What, then, will this child be?" But this question has already been answered by the angel. "He will be great in the sight of the Lord. He will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God."



**Most sweet Heart of Jesus, grant that peace, the fruit of justice and charity, may reign throughout the world. Amen.**

**PRIZES**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize - \$1,000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$500
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$250
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$250
- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100
- 6<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100
- 7<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100
- 8<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100

**RAFFLE**  
**FIRST PRIZE**  
**\$1,000**

No. 250

*To cover Bell Tower repair costs*

**8 PRIZES TOTAL TO BE AWARDED**

Raffle sponsored by

St. Emery Parish

Drawing to be held

August 5, 2018

Church Hall- 4:00 p.m.

838 Kings Highway E, Fairfield, CT 06825

WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT WINNER RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TAXES

**Price \$25.00 per ticket - Only 400 tickets**

St. Emery Parish reserves the right to cancel the raffle if 100 or less tickets are sold. Money will be refunded

If you can help our parish by selling tickets to your friends and family, please stop in the church vestibule to pick up tickets to take with you.

***Thank you for supporting our parish projects!***

**Choir News**

Rehearsals are held on Thursdays at 7:00 PM. All voices high school age and older are welcome to join, and anyone interested should contact Music Director Mary Rose Garych after Mass or at [203-981-4790](tel:203-981-4790) or [mriwg@optonline.net](mailto:mriwg@optonline.net). No musical training required but all must have a love of singing! We are looking to expand the music ministry and always welcome new members.

***Please contact Mary Rose about our new children's choir!***



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