

SAINT EMERY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Szent Imre Romai Katolikus Templom

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.

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.

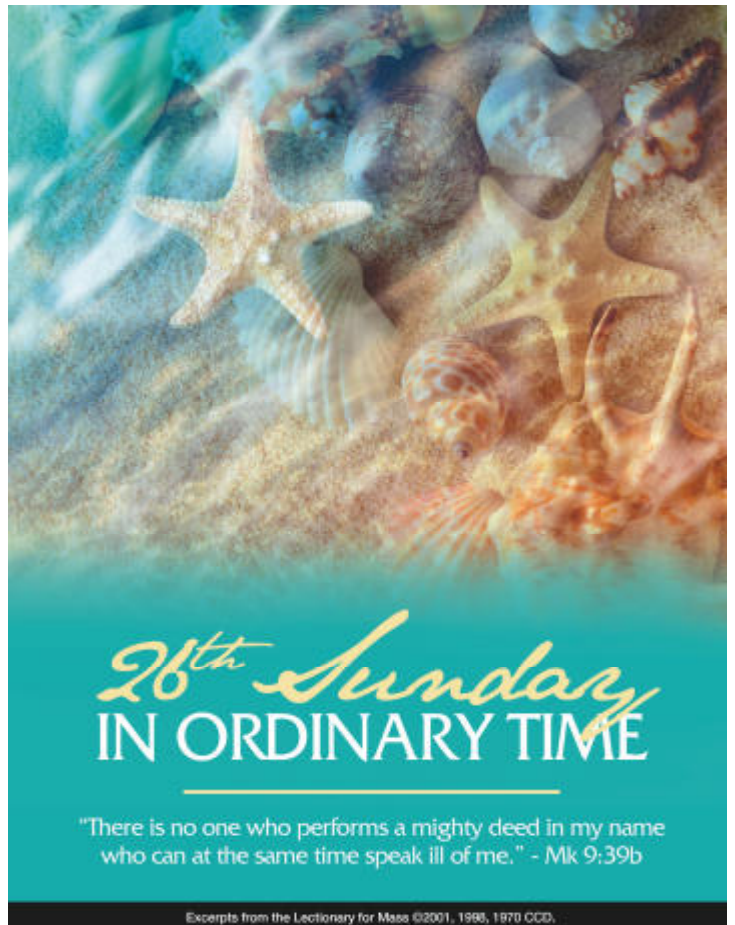
PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

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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Email: stemery@optimum.net
Faith Formation Email: stemery2@optimum.net
Website: www.stemerys.com



LITURGICAL LIFE
EUCHARISTIC LITURGY (MASS)
Saturday Evening (Vigil) 4:30PM



838 Kings Highway East
Fairfield, Connecticut 06825-5418



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 30, 2018

Saturday, Sept 29—Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael

4:30 PM Pearl Pavel rb Joseph Ull

Sunday, Sept 30—26TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Bess Sicsico rb Peter Ungvarski

11:00 AM Tomi Kolarich rb Charles & Zdenka Krasznai

Monday, Oct. 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus

8:00 AM For improved health rb Justina Psenicnik

Tuesday, Oct. 2—Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 AM For the parishioners of St. Emery

Wednesday, Oct. 3—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Special Intention rb Justina Psenicnik

Thursday, Oct. 4—St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 AM For government leaders rb Justina Psenicnik

Friday, Oct. 5—Ordinary Weekday

NO MASS

Saturday, Oct. 6—Ordinary Weekday

4:30 PM Frank Verzaro rb Beverly Rotolo

Sunday, Oct. 7—27TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mary Ann Petrone rb, sister, Catherine

11:00 AM Deceased members of John Swarney Family
 rb Greg & Barbara Chuga



ETERNAL LIGHT

This week our eternal light burns brightly in memory of the deceased members of St. Emery Parish.

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, Terri Wasilewski, Kevin Leary, Maria Santos, Fr. Stephen Balint, Gary Dicso, Suzanne Barnum, Helen Kautzner, Tanner Clavarino, Elizabeth Jando.

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

Offertory Collection **September 21-22, 2018**

Total of All Masses	\$ 972.00
Loose All Masses	\$ 187.00
Via Mail	\$ 349.00
Total Offerings	\$ 1508.00
Other Collections	\$ 20.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 100.00
All Souls	\$ 75.00
Faith Formation	\$ 165.00
Annual Collection	\$ 3425.00
Total Other Collections	\$ 3785.00
Total Collections	\$ 5293.00

Annual Collection To Date

Week of September 23, 2018	\$ 9997.00
On-line	1200.00
Total	\$ 11,197.00

Annual Parish Appeal

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our Annual Collection. God has blessed us abundantly. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. Thank you.



Lector/Eucharistic Minister Schedule

October 6-7, 2018

4:30 PM	Erika Andrasi—Lector Jeannie Bisson/John Lazowski—EME
9:00 AM	Laureen Pekar—Lector Jeannie Bisson/Cathy Pavlowski EME John Lazowski (choir)
11:00 AM	Barbara Chuga—Lector

September 30, 2018
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we go about our days, we necessarily label, classify, and prioritize. What's "in" and what's "out" on our priority list? Because humans are social beings, we tend to do the same thing with people. We can only invite six people to the dinner party. Our young child wants to invite certain friends to her birthday, but we're keenly aware of who the parents are, and the prospect of spending several hours with them is enough to give us pause.

In today's Gospel, Jesus' disciples face a classification problem. They've seen another person driving out demons in the name of Jesus. They recognize him, a non-Apostle, as clearly "out." And yet "Jesus replied, 'Do not prevent him? whoever is not against us is for us.'" Jesus recognizes real faith in the would-be exorcist. In our own lives, Jesus invites us to recognize others' good intentions. They should not be cut off simply because they do not line up with all our personal preferences. What, then, is deserving of such a fate?

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off? if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out."

When his listeners blame others, Jesus tends to pivot the conversation to their own lives. In this case, the message is clear. What we really need to cut out is that which keeps us from Jesus. If over-commitment causes us to lose patience with our family, doubt God's providence, and become consumed with self-reliance, cut something out. If certain friendships lead us time after time into gossip and slander, cut it out. In today's Gospel, Jesus invites us to live intentionally in our discipleship. Are we ready?

Readings for the Week of September 30, 2018

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8 [3]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab [24b]/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24



Saint Emery Parish Pastoral Staff

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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

Choir News

Our choir is back and looking for new members. 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.

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.



**Adult choir rehearsals are held
Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM please join us!**

PARISH ACTIVITIES

St. Emery Prayer Group

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 26. You can join us in the rectory or contact the parish office to join us from home.

Benediction and Adoration

October 6, 4:30 PM
October 14, 9:00 AM
October 21, 11:00 AM



Blessings of the Animals

*In honor of
St. Francis of Assisi*

**Sunday, October 7, 2018
1:00 PM
In the Mary Grotto**

Please bring a donation of dog/cat food for the Fairfield Animal Shelter.



"A Rose, A Prayer and A Song"
In honor of Our Blessed Mother, Mary

**Saturday, October 20
3:00 PM
In the Church**

**Please join us before the 4:30 PM Mass to pray the
Rosary in song.**

ST. EMERY WEEKLY BULLETIN September 30, 2018

THE PARISH WEBSITE (www.stemerys.com)

News/Events

- Ziti and Meatball Dinner announced, Sept. 29
- Stuffed Cabbage Sale, October 20 and 21
- Fall Faith Formation Class photographs, September 9
- St. Emery receives Saint John Paul II Award announcement
- Financial Report for Fiscal-year 2018 posted
- The schedule for 2018 Upcoming Events posted

Outreach

- St. Emery 2018 Annual Collection details posted
- The schedule for 2018 Outreach projects posted

Home Page - Website links

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

Parish Facebook - Daily Mass

Mass is recorded and streams daily on our Parish Facebook Page in addition to many other Church events and postings. Click-on the **Facebook** icon on the website *Home Page* sidebar

Around the Diocese

Diocesan Leadership Institute

Coming soon, directions for all who serve as lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, or ushers, will be sent to you on how to register for the institute. You will be required to take on-line courses to assist you in your ministry. More information will be sent to you soon.

Sacred Heart Academy

An independent Catholic college preparatory school in Hamden for young women grades 9-12. Open House, Sunday, October 14, 1:00-3:00 PM, 265 Benham Street. Entrance exam Saturday, November 3, 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM. For more information call 203-288-2309.

Birthright

Volunteers are needed for friendship counseling, clerical work, and clothing work. Training provided. For more information call 1-800-550-4900.



THEME FOR OUR CATECHETICAL YEAR



Faith Formation at Home

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus reminds us that whoever is not against us is for us. This is a good reminder to treat anyone who brings Jesus to us with respect and kindness.

Question of the week

How does your parish bring Jesus to you? How can you bring Jesus to others.

Family Prayer

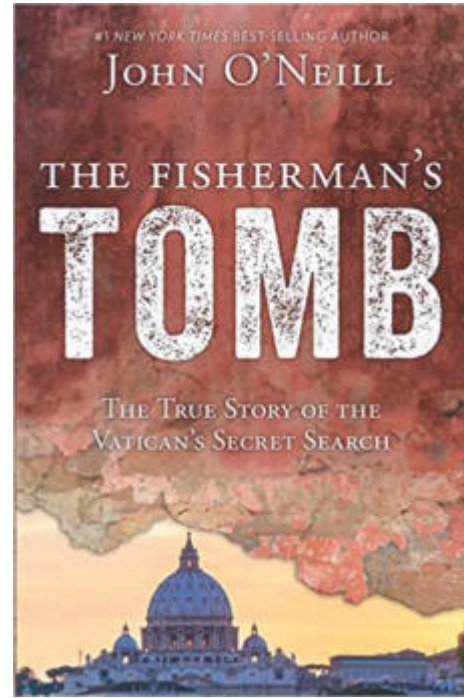
Lord, help us to recognize those who teach us to know you better. Help us to treat them with love and kindness every day. Amen.



All Souls Day
Friday, November 2, 2018
12:00 PM

We will have a special Mass to honor our departed loved ones here at St. Emery.

If you would like a special candle presented for someone in your life at this Mass, please see the flyer in this week's bulletin. A family member will carry the candle to the altar during the Mass.



Our Fall Book Selection
Available on Amazon.com

Next gathering:
Saturday, November 17
10:30 AM



STUFFED CABBAGE SALE

We are currently taking orders for stuffed cabbage. A package of 6 is \$15 and there is a limit of 2 packages per family. Please order in the vestibule of the church or call Barbara Chuga, 203-268-4535, Marie Kassay, 203-333-7534, or Jeannie Bisson, 203-334-0312

Pick up dates:
Saturday, October 20, 10 AM—4 PM
Sunday, October 21, 9 AM—12 PM

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