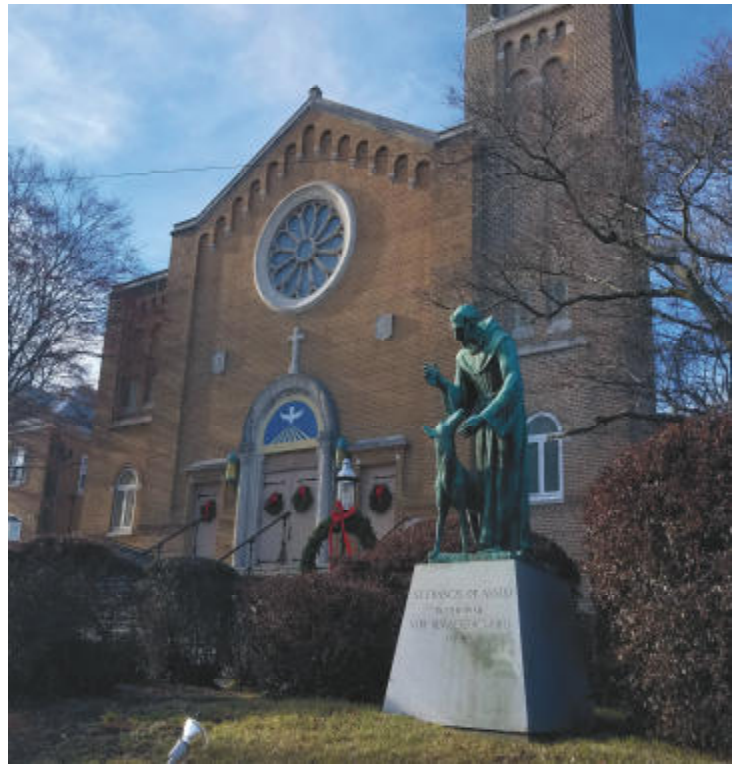


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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

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.

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.

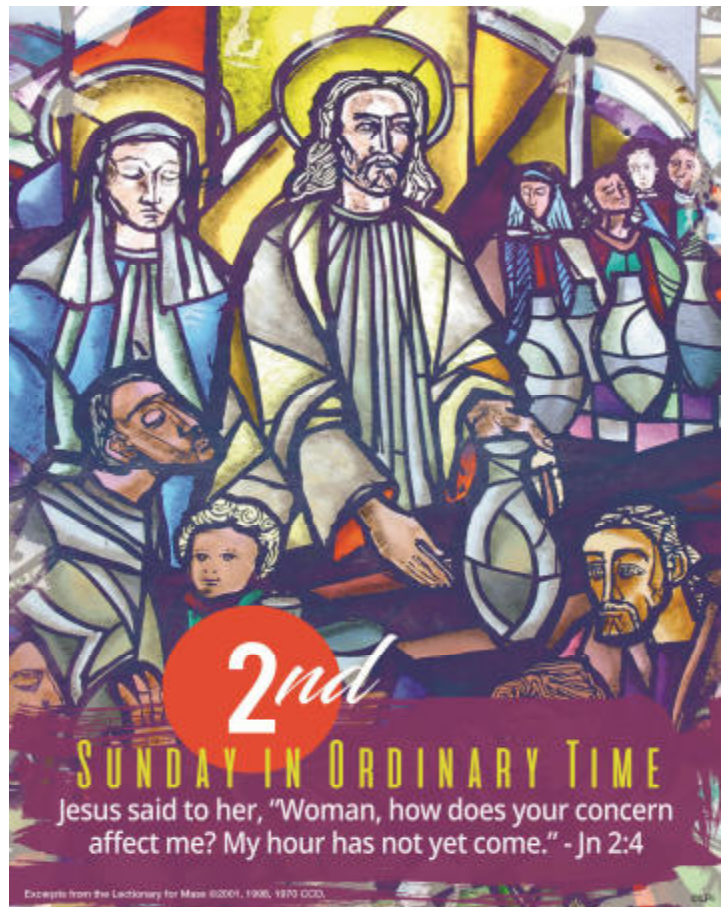
PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

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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Fax (Office) 203-579-9423

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

LITURGICAL LIFE
EUCHARISTIC LITURGY (MASS)
Saturday Evening (Vigil) 4:30PM
Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 20, 2019

Saturday, Jan. 19—Ordinary Weekday

4:30 PM Phillip Felinski & Charlene Duckworth rb
 Bernice Felinski

Sunday, Jan. 20—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Cynthia LeMay rb John Lazowski & Family
 11:00 AM Mary Frances Balint-German rb Joseph Ull

Monday, Jan. 21—St. Agnes

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

Tuesday, Jan. 22—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Special intention for Stephani Psenicnik rb J. Psenicnik

Wednesday, Jan. 23—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Special Intention rb Justina Psenicnik

Thursday, Jan. 24—St. Francis de Sales

8:00 AM Living & deceased of the Visinski Family

Friday, Jan. 25—Conversion of St. Paul

NO MASS

Saturday, Jan. 26—Sts. Timothy and Titus

4:30 PM Patrick M. McMahon rb grandson Pat McMahon

Sunday, Jan. 27—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Edward Laska, Sr. rb son, Edward Laska
 11:00 AM Elizabeth Mitchell rb Bart Psenicnik



ETERNAL LIGHT

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

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, Fr. Stephen Balint, Gary Dicso, Suzanne Barnum, Helen Kautzner, Elizabeth Jando, Dorothy Rouleau, Ralph Fisco. If you have someone that you would like included in our prayers, please contact the rectory at 203-334-0312.

Offertory Collection **January 12-13, 2019**

Total of All Masses	\$ 863.00
Loose All Masses	\$ 180.00
Via Mail	\$ 110.00
Total Offerings	\$ 1153.00
Other Donations	\$ 50.00
Initial Offering	\$ 140.00
Monthly	\$ 657.00
Memorial donation	\$ 100.00
Total Other Collections	\$ 947.00
Total Collections	\$ 2100.00

December online donations \$ 1225.00

Thank You for your generosity!



Special Collection
 Next weekend
 January 26-27, 2019

Please be as generous as your means allows.

Reader Schedule
January 26-27

4:30 PM Susan Gulyas—Reader
9:00 AM Rob Adriani —Reader
11:00 AM



January 20, 2019
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

When you think of being Catholic, what do you think of? Perhaps you grew up with your only associations being fasting, nuns with rulers, and "Catholic guilt." Our faith can sometimes have the connotation of restriction and absence, not abundance. Who is God in your life? Is He the divine law-giver, the judge punishing the rule-breakers? These are certainly attributes of God. But the laws don't exist for themselves alone. They exist to help us love one another as God loves us. And this loving God is the author of abundance and joy.

Did you hear today's Gospel? "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee." Here at this wedding, Jesus would perform "the beginning of his signs...and so reveal his glory." This first sign isn't a miraculous healing. He didn't raise someone from the dead. He kept a party going! "There were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons...the water...had become wine." The wine has run out. Jesus creates somewhere between 120 and 180 gallons to help his friend save face. We may not have such momentous miracles in our lives, but God is watching out for us. The string of green lights when you're running late. The sale on the replacement appliance you need. The friend who calls at just the right time. These are the little moments of God's abundance. We just need to look for them!

Not only does Jesus surprise, but the guests point out to their host: "You have kept the good wine until now." The divine wine is better than the earthly variety. God's goodness is better than what we can grasp at for ourselves. Isn't that how it always goes?

Readings for the Week of January 20, 2019

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

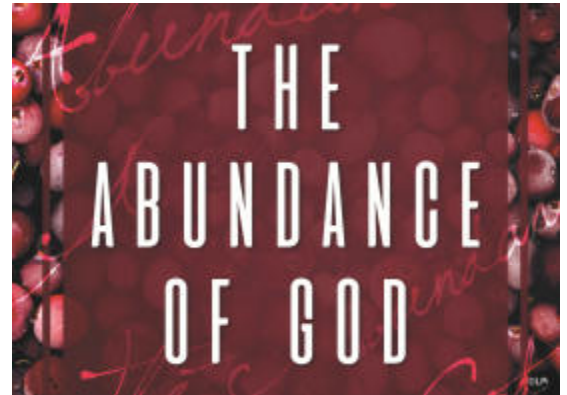
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:20-21



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Music Director-Organist

Miss Mary Rose Garych

Choir News

Our choir is 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** 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, January 23, you can join us in the rectory or contact the parish office to join us from home.

Benediction and Adoration

January 20, 11:00 AM
February 2, 4:30 PM
February 10, 11:00 AM
February 17, 9:00 AM



ST. EMERY PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM

Pick up a Parish Rosary Program card at one of the church doors, pray the rosary during the week, fill out the back of the card, and drop the card in the collection basket the following weekend. We will keep a tally of all the rosaries prayed in our parish.

Together, as a community, let us pray for peace in our world, in our loves, and for whatever special intentions we hold in our hearts.



St. Philomena, Patroness of the Living Rosary,
pray for us!

ST. EMERY FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

Our Parish Council has voted to initiate a new parish ministry. We are looking for volunteers to help set up coffee and pastry on the third Sunday of every month following the 9:00 AM Mass, If we can get six teams of two people you will have a commitment of twice a year.

Our first event is scheduled for Sunday, February 17. If you are willing to help with this new parish endeavor to help promote our fellowship ministry, please sign the sheet in the church vestibule and let us know which month(s) you would like to volunteer to host.

Cost of coffee and pastry will be covered by the parish.

ST. EMERY WEEKLY BULLETIN January 20, 2019

THE PARISH WEBSITE (www.stemerys.com) News/Events

- Epiphany Mass photos posted, Jan. 6
- Christmas Cookie Walk photos posted, Dec. 8-9
- Advent celebration photos posted, Dec. 2
- St. Emery receives St. John Paul II Grant

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.



Day

- 13 Ginny Pavlowski
- 20 Dorothy Rouleau
- 21 Ronald Orszag

May God bless you on your special day!



PARISH OFFICE
CLOSED
MONDAY,
JANUARY 21
FOR THIS NATIONAL
DAY OF
REMEMBRANCE



THEME FOR OUR CATECHETICAL YEAR



Faith Formation at Home
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In this week's Gospel, Jesus performs his first miracle—turning water into wine at a wedding in Cana. We learn that Jesus is completely obedient to his mother, Mary. We are reminded to listen to her words to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

In church

The Church is the bride of Christ. Notice that when people go up the aisle to receive Holy Communion, they are like a bride going up the aisle to marry her beloved.

Question of the week

How can you know what it is Jesus wants you to do?

Family Prayer

Jesus, help us to be obedient, just like you were to your mother. Help us to do what you teach us. Amen.

Everyday Stewardship

There are close to 7.6 billion people currently on earth. That is a lot of people! If you try to estimate how many people have collectively been born since the beginning of time, a good guess is 108 billion! It is hard to contemplate that many distinctly different human beings created by our God. In the midst of all those people, where do you and I fit? Can we really be created to make a difference in the world? One can feel very small and insignificant when reflecting on the numbers.

We render ourselves insignificant when we make the mistake of seeing ourselves as being just like everybody else. However, when looking at the numbers, how can one honestly think we are all the same? Another way we become insignificant is believing the lie that one person in the midst of so many does not have the power to make an impact. However, we all spend time reading books, watching movies, or listening to news about singular people who made all the difference in some part of the world. Imagine your own world without a few key people who have touched you and made a difference.

We are all created with unique gifts. We have those gifts that have been part of us from birth and those that have been imparted to us by the Holy Spirit. St. Paul tried to get the Corinthians to understand that reality when he explained to them the many gifts of the Spirit. Perhaps some of his audience back then thought they were insignificant. The message then remains the message today: God is counting on you to use what He has given you. If you don't, who will?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Three plots in a row are available for \$1000 per plot (half of current price). If you are interested, please call Don Horelik, 203-260-5885. All sales will be handled and transferred by Lawncroft Cemetery office, 203-335-2873. Lawncroft Cemetery is located at 1740 Blackrock Turnpike in Fairfield.

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