

SAINT EMERY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

(St. Stephen of Hungary, Bridgeport, CT 1897-1971)

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 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.

LITURGICAL LIFE

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY (MASS)

Saturday Evening (Vigil) 4:30PM Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Daily - Monday to Thursday 8:00 AM

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 24, 2019

Saturday, Feb. 23—St. Polycarp

4:30 PM Mary Krozier rb The Lazowski Family

Sunday, Feb. 24—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Charles Schaaf, Jr. rb Veronica Adriani & family

11:00 AM Bart Psenicnik, Sr. rb wife, Justina

Monday, Feb. 25—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Joseph J. Nosal rb Lou & Mary Kocsis

Tuesday, Feb. 26—Ordinary Weekday

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

Wednesday, Feb. 27—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Helmut Busack rb Bart Psenicnik

Thursday, Feb. 28—Ordinary Weekday

8:00 AM Special Intention rb Justina Psenicnik

Friday, Mar. 1—Ordinary Weekday

No Mass

Saturday, Mar. 2—Ordinary Weekday

4:30 PM Deceased members of the McMahon Family
rb Pat McMahon

Sunday, Mar. 3—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM John & Ann Pipa rb Nick & Lauren Pekar

11:00 AM Charles Schaaf, Jr. rb Veronica Adriani & family



ETERNAL LIGHT

This week our eternal light burns brightly in memory of the 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, Arthur Corcoran, Jr. If you have someone that you would like included in our prayers, please contact the rectory at 203-334-0312.

Offertory Collection

February 16-17, 2019

Total of all Masses	\$ 981.00
Loose all Masses	\$ 144.00
Via Mail	\$ 290.00
Total Offerings	\$ 1415.00
Fuel	\$ 409.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 80.00
Total Other Collections	\$ 489.00
Total Collections	\$ 1904.00

Thank you for your generosity!

WE ARE MOVING TO THE PARISH HALL

Our church is being painted so we will be celebrating all daily and weekend Masses in the Parish Hall until the project is complete.

You will be kept updated on the progress.

Reader Schedule

March 2-3, 2019

4:30 PM	Susan Gulyas
9:00 AM	Ed Laska
11:00 AM	



February 24, 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Sunday, Jesus continues his challenging Sermon on the Mount. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you? Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back." Words like these are challenging! Many of us have grown up in a culture of independence and retaliation against those who harm us. Today's Gospel reminds us that the way of the world is not necessarily the way of the disciple.

In many spiritual texts, saints describe the first stage of the spiritual life as mercenary love of God. That is, we love Him because he "pays" us with graces and good things. Consider for a moment, why do you do the good that you do? Take volunteering, for example. How often do we talk about the good feelings service evokes and how you "get so much more than you give." This is still based on an attitude of return on our investment. Would we volunteer if we knew it was good to do, but we didn't "feel" good afterward? What if the people we helped seemed ungrateful, or if someone at the food pantry stole \$20 out of our purse? It can be difficult to love people when we think we might not get anything back. "For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you?"

As Christians, we are called to imitate God. We follow a God who loves not only His closest friends, but who loves betrayers, deniers, and crucifiers. The Christian walk is one of perseverance and sacrifice. What does your love look like?

Readings for the Week of February 24, 2019

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [cf. 5]/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175 [165a]/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35 [35a]/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 17]/Mk 10:13-16



Saint Emery Parish Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Milan Dimic

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Miss Mary Rose Garych
Saint Emery

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](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, March 13, you can join us in the rectory or contact the parish office to join us from home.

Benediction and Adoration

March 2, 4:30 PM

March 3, 9:00 AM

March 10, 11:00 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,

PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM

WEEKS 1 through 5

673 ROSARIES HAVE BEEN OFFERED



NEXT WEEKEND WE
BEGIN OUR
LENTEN FOOD
COLLECTION
PLEASE NOTE THE FLYER
IN THE BULLETIN!

ST. EMERY PARISH WEBSITE

FEBRUARY 24, 2019

WWW.STEMERYS.COM

News/Events

- ◆ Schedule for 2019 Upcoming Events posted
- ◆ Epiphany Mass photos posted, Jan. 6
- ◆ St. Emery receives St. John Paul II Grant

Outreach

- ◆ St. Emery 2019 Annual Collection details posted

Home Page—Website links

- ◆ GoFundMe page Church Painting Fundraiser
- ◆ Parish Facebook page
- ◆ On-Line Giving through OSV
- ◆ Diocese of Bridgeport Website
- ◆ Religious Education Facebook
- ◆ Weekly Bulletin posted

If there is an article you would like to include on our parish website, please contact the Parish Office or Carroll Fencil.



Day

24 John Bambus
26 Madeline Petrone
28 Barbara Chuga

May God bless you on your special day!

If your birthday has not been listed, please contact the Parish office to update your records.



THEME FOR OUR CATECHETICAL YEA



ENLISTING WITNESSES FOR JESUS CHRIST

Faith Formation at Home Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us to be kind even to those who are not kind to us. This is very difficult, but if we want to be like Jesus, we need to love our enemies and those who would hurt us. Jesus loved everyone, even those who crucified him.

In church

When we offer the Sign of Peace at Mass, we are not just greeting those seated near us. By this gesture, we say that we believe true peace is a gift of Christ's Death and Resurrection and that we desire reconciliation with Christ and the community.

Question of the week

Do you need to ask forgiveness from God or another person? What is holding you back from doing so?

Family Prayer

Lord, we find it hard to be kind when someone is not kind to us. Help us to see others as you do, so that we will not be tempted to judge them or be unkind. Amen.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

2019 WEDDING JUBILEE MASS AND CONCERT

Sunday, May 5, 2019, 3:00 PM at St. Theresa Parish in Trumbull. Bishop Caggiano, celebrant. For couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50+ years of marriage. To register, please contact the parish office. Space is limited so please RSVP by April 25, 2019. You can also register online at:

www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation.

EMAIL AND PHONE SCAM ALERT

The Diocese of Bridgeport has been informed from various towns and parishes that parishioners are receiving emails and/or phone calls that claim to be from pastors or other clergy members. Anyone whose phone number is listed on a church website may possibly be targeted.

These scammers are posing as clergy to get people to provide financial information.

PLEASE NOTE—THE DIOCESE DOES NOT MAKE UNSOLICITED CALLS OR CONTACT ANYONE BY EMAIL OR PHONE TO REQUEST FINANCIAL INFORMATION. THEREFORE, SHOULD A PARISHIONER OR INDIVIDUAL RECEIVE SUCH A REQUEST, THEY ARE ADVISED NOT TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION TO THE SENDER.

The Diocese has made the appropriate notifications to civil authorities and urges anyone who is contacted NOT to respond or provide any information. Anyone with any questions or concerns should contact the Development Office of the Diocese: 203-416-1479 or 203-416-1473.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Stations of the Cross followed by luncheon:

Friday, March 8, 12:00 noon

Friday, March 15, 12:00 noon **Special Stations of the Cross for Seniors**

Friday, March 22, 12:00 noon

Friday, March 29, 12:00 noon

Friday, April 5, 12:00 noon

Friday, April 12, 12:00 noon

Sunday, March 24, 2:00 PM "Biblical Stations of the Cross" (scripture, music)

Sunday, March 31, 2:00 PM Presentation of "The Greatest Gift"

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