

# 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 from 3:30-4:15 PM. Please call St. Emery Parish Office 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 Session. 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 Sponsor 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.

Parish Office: 203-334-0312

Fax (Office) 203-579-9423

Email: [Office@stemerys.org](mailto:Office@stemerys.org)

Faith Formation Email: [Jeannie@stemerys.org](mailto:Jeannie@stemerys.org)

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

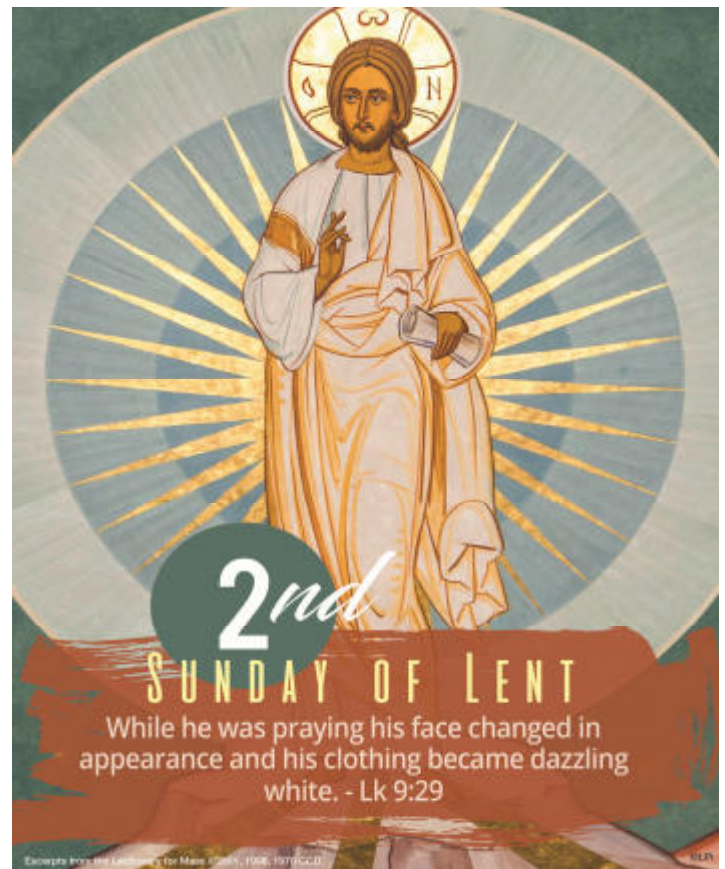
## LITURGICAL LIFE

### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY (MASS)

Saturday (Vigil) 4:30 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Daily—Monday to Thursday 8:00 AM



838 Kings Highway East  
Fairfield, Connecticut 06825



**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**March 17, 2019**

**Saturday, Mar. 16—Lenten Weekday**

4:30 PM Florence McMahon rb Pat McMahon

**Sunday, Mar. 17—Second Sunday of Lent**

10:00 AM Irene Szaszak Olah rb The Kazzi Family

**Monday, Mar. 18—Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM Deceased members of Psenicnik Family rb J. Psenicnik

**Tuesday, Mar. 19—St. Joseph**

8:00 AM Living & deceased of the Visinski Family

**Wednesday, Mar. 20—Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM Special Intention rb Justina Psenicnik

**Thursday, Mar. 21—Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM Msgr. Ernest Esposito rb Art & Mary Ann Corcoran

**Friday, Mar. 22—Lenten Weekday**

No Mass

**Saturday, Mar. 23—Lenten Weekday**

4:30 PM Peter J. Andrasi rb Andrasi Family

**Sunday, Mar. 24—Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00 AM MaryAnn Petrone rb The Correa Family

11:00 AM John P. Lyons rb Fr. Milan

**ETERNAL LIGHT**

This week our eternal light burns brightly in memory of Florence McMahon.



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

**Offertory Collection**      **March 9-10, 2019**

Total of all Masses	\$ 913.00
Loose all Masses	\$ 149.00
Via Mail	\$ 794.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 1856.00</b>
Monthly	\$ 65.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 354.00
Fuel	\$ 120.00
Painting Fund	\$ 220.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 100.00
<b>Total Other Collections</b>	<b>\$ 859.00</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 2715.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**Reader Schedule**

**March 23-24**

<b>4:30 PM</b>	Erica Andrasi
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Rob Adriani
<b>11:00 AM</b>	

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Our parish email has been changed to: [Office@stemerys.org](mailto:Office@stemerys.org)

Faith Formation email has been changed to: [Jeannie@stemerys.org](mailto:Jeannie@stemerys.org)

**March 17, 2019**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**

As we march through Lent, it can be easy to think it's all about sacrifice. No chocolate, no alcohol, no meat on Fridays. Yet here, only in the second week of Lent, we have the story of the transfiguration. This reading reminds us of the "why" behind what we do. We don't fast from dessert to lose weight. We don't donate money or serve others because it's merely a nice thing to do. Lent is about transformation!

Peter, James, and John trudged up the mountainside behind Jesus. This must have been a difficult hike, because when they reached the top, "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep." Despite our best efforts, perhaps we, too, can be asleep to the deeper meaning of the Lenten season. Jesus is transfigured while they slumber, but eventually they become "fully awake, [and] they saw his glory and the two men standing with him."

This is no small thing! The disciples witness Jesus in his divine splendor and see the miraculous apparitions of Moses and Elijah. The entire mountain becomes a spiritual breakthrough. "A cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud." These symbols are present in the Old Testament. They are present on Mount Sinai when Moses prayed alone and received the 10 Commandments. Elijah had a similar experience when he prayed alone before God. But here are ordinary men, former fishermen, who have been drawn up into an adventure beyond their wildest expectations. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the fulfillment of all that came before. But Christianity is not the religion of the elite, where only the select few are allowed to participate. We are all invited into spiritual transformation. Lent is a privileged time for this!

**Readings for the Week of March 17, 2019**

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



**SAINT EMERY PARISH PASTORAL STAFF**

Pastor

Rev. Milan Dimic

Deacon

Rudolph P. Trankovich

Pastoral Assistant

Ms. Jeanne Bisson

Music Director

Miss Mary Rose Garych

Parish Council President

Mr. Hobert Summers

Finance Committee Chairperson

Mr. Carrol Fencil

Lay Representatives

Mrs. Karen Adams

Mr. Robert Kavasansky

**Diocese of Bridgeport**

**White Mass**

**For Healthcare Professionals and  
all who serve the sick**

**Sunday, April 7, 2019**

**9:30 AM**

**St. Augustine Cathedral, Bridgeport**

**Followed by Brunch  
at Brooklawn Country Club, Fairfield**

For more information contact Elizabeth Auda at the Diocese of Bridgeport, 203-416-1636.

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### St. Emery Prayer Group

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 27, you can join us in the rectory or contact the parish office to join us from home.

### Benediction and Adoration

March 23, 4:30 PM

March 31, 11:00 AM

April 6, 4:30 PM

## 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,

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## ST. EMERY PARISH WEBSITE

March 17, 2019

[WWW.STEMERYS.COM](http://WWW.STEMERYS.COM)

### News/Events

- ◆ Schedule for 2019 Upcoming Events posted
- ◆ Church Ceiling Painting Restoration Project posted
- ◆ Faith Formation news posted

### Outreach

- ◆ St. Emery 2019 Annual Collection details posted
- ◆ Lenten Food Drive March 3-24 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**



Saint Emery Parish

welcomes

Logan Ryder Estrada

Baptized on Sunday, March 10, 2019

**Welcome**  
to our  
**Church Family** 

Miguel, Christina, and Logan Estrada

Erika, Alex and Camilla Stellato



THEME FOR OUR CATECHETICAL YEAR



ENLISTING WITNESSES FOR JESUS CHRIST

### Faith Formation at Home Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday's Gospel tells us about the Transfiguration of Jesus. We learn that Jesus' clothes became dazzling white and he appeared with the Old Testament figures. Maybe the most important thing, however, is that God the Father calls Jesus his "chosen Son" and instructs us to "listen to him."

#### In church

God reveals himself through Sacred Scripture, Tradition, and Jesus—God's most perfect Revelation. Think about what God reveals to you through each of these.

#### Question of the week

How can you listen to Jesus? What might he say to you?

#### Family Prayer

Dear Lord, open our hearts to better hear you. Amen.

### 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](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.



### LENTEN FOOD COLLECTION

March 3-March 24

Please place all non-perishable food items

In the boxes in the vestibule.

### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

#### "JOY IN CHRIST, OUR GIFT TO SHARE"

The Bishop's Scholarship Fund provides tuition assistance to families who attend our Diocesan elementary schools. On average, over \$2,500,00 in scholarships are awarded each year to students who demonstrate financial need.

Gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal support this fund. Thank you for your gift.



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Stations of the Cross followed by luncheon:

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, April 7, 4:30 PM Presentation of "The Greatest Gift"

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