

# 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

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

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

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## 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



**August 18, 2019**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, Aug 17—Ordinary Weekday**

4:30 PM Selina Fleming rb Kathleen Horvath

**Sunday, Aug 18—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM Yolanda Sokolski rb Gertrude Mygodney

11:00 AM For the parishioners of St. Emery

**Monday, Aug 19—Ordinary Weekday**

8:00 AM For improved health rb Justina Psenicnik

**Tuesday, Aug 20—St. Bernard**

8:00 AM For the parishioners of St. Emery

**Wednesday, Aug 21—St. Pius X**

8:00 AM For the souls in purgatory rb Justina Psenicnik

**Thursday, Aug 22—Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 AM For the deceased members of the Visinski Family

**Friday, Aug 23—Ordinary Weekday**

NO MASS

**Saturday, Aug 24—St. Bartholomew**

4:30 PM Cecilia Stepkovich rb Bernice Felinski

**Sunday, Aug 25—Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM Karen Mary Krozier Lazowski rb John Lazowski

11:00 AM Joseph & Yolanda Sokolski rb Gertrude Mygodney



**ETERNAL LIGHT**

This week our eternal light burns brightly in memory of Bess Scisco as requested by her niece, Beverly.

**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, home-bound 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, Arthur Corcoran, Jr., Todd Burr, Erika Faber, Msgr. Thomas Powers. If you have someone that you would like included in our prayers, please contact the rectory at 203-334-0312.

**Offertory Collection**      **August 10-11, 2019**

Total of All Masses	\$ 906.00
Loose all Masses	\$ 159.00
Via Mail	\$ 479.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 1544.00</b>
Monthly	\$ 85.00
Assumption	\$ 21.00
Air Conditioning	\$ 387.00
<b>Total Other Collections</b>	<b>\$ 493.00</b>
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 2037.00</b>

*Thank you for your support!*

**SARCARMENT OF BAPTISM**

Our parish welcomes

Blake Edward Fletcher

Baptized, August 18, 2019



**Reader Schedule**

**August 24-25, 2019**

<b>4:30 PM</b>	Susan Gulyas
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Laureen Pekar
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Jeannie Bisson

**August 18, 2019**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Prince of Peace wants to set the world on fire? This Sunday's Gospel can sound more intense than what we may be accustomed to. It's a passage of contradictions. Jesus so clearly prays for unity, yet here he speaks of division. Why would our God who comes as an offering of love speak so frankly about causing relationships to be torn apart?

The sobering truth is that Jesus is divisive. We see this throughout the Gospels, as the Pharisees critique him, the Romans condemn him, and not everyone in the crowd is enthusiastic about his words. Jesus has not come for the purpose of dividing, but what he does is so radical that it upends the status quo. And it doesn't end with his preaching and miracles! "There is a baptism with which I must be baptized." Jesus isn't talking about his baptism at the Jordan River, which has already occurred, but the passing through the waters of death on the Cross and rising again to new life in the resurrection. This is divisive stuff! Christ's spiritual fire turned the "fathers" - the Jewish people and Pharisees - against the "sons" - the common people. Not everyone wants the Gospel Jesus is preaching. Not everyone wants to be set on fire with the desire to love others. Some prefer to put on a warm sweater and curl up in front of the TV.

In living and loving as Jesus did, we, too, might ruffle some feathers. In disciplining our teenage child for sneaking out, we may cause some division (temporarily, we hope!). In standing up to gossip and the spread of cruel rumors in our workplace, we might cause division. In emphasizing the dignity of both the desperate mother and the unborn child, we might cause division. Not everyone wants the Gospel Jesus is preaching. Not everyone wants the Gospel we are invited to live. But that's no excuse not to live it.

**Readings for the Week of August 18, 2019**

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

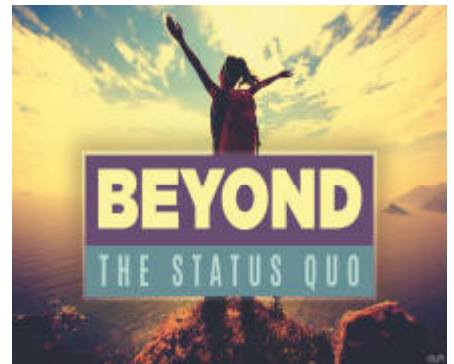
**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:** Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51



***St. Stephen's Parochial School Reunion***

***Sunday, October 6, 2019***

***12:30—4:00 PM***

***Testo's Restaurant***

***1775 Madison Avenue, Bridgeport***

**Contact: *Barbara Chuga (203) 286-4535***

***Nancy Legare (203) 259-2944***

***Mary Ann Corcoran (203) 336-0618***

**SAINT EMERY PARISH PASTORAL STAFF**

**Pastor**

Rev. Milan Dimic

**Deacon**

Rudolph P. Trankovich

**Pastoral Associate**

Ms. Jeanne Bisson

**Music Director**

Miss Mary Rose Garych

**Parish Council President**

Mr. Hobert Summers

**Finance Committee Chairperson**

Mr. Carroll Fencil

**Lay Representatives**

Mrs. Karen Adams

Mr. Robert Kavasansky

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### St. Emery Prayer Group

Our meetings will resume in September.

### Benediction and Adoration

August 18, 2019 11:00 AM

September 14, 2019 4:30 PM

September 15, 2019 11:00 AM



PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM

WEEKS 1 through 32

3667 ROSARIES HAVE BEEN OFFERED

## ST. EMERY PARISH WEBSITE

August 18, 2019

WWW.STEMERYS.ORG

### **News/Events**

- ◆ Family Movie Night pictures posted
- ◆ Parish Raffle posted
- ◆ Annual Choir fundraiser pictures posted
- ◆ Ladies Tea pictures posted
- ◆ May Crowning pictures posted
- ◆ First Holy Eucharist pictures posted
- ◆ Schedule for 2019 Upcoming Events posted

### **Outreach**

- ◆ 2019 Catholic Annual Appeal (ACA) posted
- ◆ 2019 Outreach Projects posted

### **Home Page—Website links**

- ◆ 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.**

### **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES GRADES K-8 BEGIN**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

**PLEASE REGISTER NOW!  
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE  
203-334-0312**



**School Supply Drive for St. Augustine Academy**

**Last day of collection:**

**September 1**

### **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.



### SAINT EMERY PARISH RAFFLE

*Tickets on sale now at all Masses*

*or call the Parish Office*

**Cash Prizes!!!!**

**Price: \$20 per ticket**

**Drawing:**

**September 6, 2019**

**St. Emery Parish Hall**



***You can now pay with your credit/debit card!!!***

***If you can help by taking a few tickets to sell to your family and friends, please see the ticket sales person in the church vestibule!***

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Hungarian Festival—Wallingford

Sunday, September 8, at the club house, 147 Ward St., Wallingford, noon until 6 PM. Free Admission, vendor space available, volunteers needed. Rain or shine!!!

#### Malta House Fundraiser

Saturday, September 14, 8:00 PM, The Midtown Men will present a concert at The Palace Theatre, This group previously appeared on Broadway in "The Jersey Boys." For more information or to purchase tickets contact:

[www.maltahouse.org/events](http://www.maltahouse.org/events).

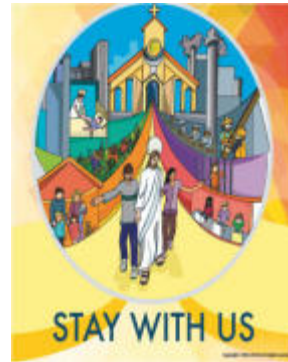
#### Order of Malta

"Our Lady in a Day" will take place on Saturday, September 21, 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM at St. Peter Claver Church, 47 Pleasant Street, West Hartford, CT.

All are welcome especially the sick, the frail, and the handicapped. Event includes washing in the water of Lourdes, Sacrament of the Sick, Confessions, Adoration and Benediction, praying the Rosary, talks for the ill and for their caregivers, and a relaxing lunch.

For more information and for reservations contact: Mark Sullivan, 860-523-1405 or go to:

[slvnchrth@yahoo.com](mailto:slvnchrth@yahoo.com)



Catechetical Theme for 2019-2020

### FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

#### In this week's Gospel:

This week's Gospel is a difficult one to understand. Jesus loves us and wants us to be together, but he talks about division. Jesus is showing us that faith sometimes requires sacrifice and hard choices. Not everyone will understand our faith, and some will even be against it. We should follow him anyway.

#### In Church:

Look at the flame on a candle. Think of the different qualities of fire and consider why we say Jesus is the Light of the World.

#### Question of the week:

What do you think it means when Jesus says, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing?"

#### Family Prayer:

Sometimes your ways are hard, Lord. Give us strength to make the difficult choices. Amen.

### **ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS**

Please join us on Saturday, September 7, 2019, at 10:00 AM, at Holy Family Church for a "Town Hall" meeting for both Holy Family and St. Emery parishes. There will be a presentation on the merger progress by Patrick Turner, the Diocesan Director of Strategic Planning followed by a time for questions from those in attendance.

This meeting has come about as part of the "Visioning" process that is underway in each parish.

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