

NEWSLETTER The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 4, 2022 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA, 2022

Fellow Parishioners

"Jesus, help me to be humble as you were. I want to be free to choose the lowest place."

Thank you, Fr. Jon, for such a wonderful Sermon on last week's powerful readings.

Lately I have felt breathless at the end of the week coming into newsletter time. The final efforts by Fr. Jon, Cathy, Seraiah, Anne, me, and Susan to capture and post the essence of our practiced faith and bring them to the digital space is to say, at the very least, intense! But it is something we enjoy because it is Evangelism at its best.

We have been slowly building our online presence. What makes it so special is the weekly devotion to our practice as witnessed through our Lectors and Priest. We have chosen to focus on the passion of our participants as they bring the Word forward. Now, Fr. Jon has brought us our service on YouTube. Judging by the viewership, that has been a success. The difference I see between other services and Emmanuel's is the personal passion put forward. No one is just reciting or playing a part. They are living the Word and using all their ability to spread it!

I close with a statement I used many years ago to sum up a homily I did at Emmanuel:

"When we choose to follow Christ, we then walk in the light of Christ. When we meet with someone who is looking, they see that light. They may never grace or enter our doors, but they will be forever affected by that light. Now, <u>that</u> is Evangelism, and you don't have to preach it to the bleachers!"

Hope to see you next Sunday at the 10am Holy Eucharist service. Have a wonderful week walking in the Light.

Terri, Co-warden

WATCH EMMANUEL VIA YOUTUBE

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service late Sunday night or on Monday morning via our website, <u>https://emmanuelwr.org/</u> or by going directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jIdhA</u>

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE



As the war continues now for over six month, we prayer for Ukraine and its people. Our prayers truly help, as they keep us mindful of God's love for us all and the miracles that occur even when all seems lost.

Please consider donating to one of the many organizations raising money for Ukraine. If you prefer to donate directly to an organization focused on helping children in Ukraine, there is Save the Children:

https://support.savethechildren.org/site/Donation2?df_id=5746&mfc_pref=T&5746.donation=fo rm1

Another worthy organization is World Central Kitchen a nonprofit founded by Chef José Andrés providing food onsite in Ukraine and to refugees coming into border countries. Learn more at: <u>https://wck.org/</u>

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PRAYER LIST



We pray for this who are homebound or ill: Paul, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Gail, Anne H, Patricia, Anne J, Barbara., Maureen, Tony, and Edmond.

Please email us the names of those who need special prayers---<u>info@emmanuelwr.org</u>. Only first names will be used.