



NEWSLETTER
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 9, 2022
Emmanuel Church
West Roxbury, MA 2022

Fellow Parishioners and Friends of Emmanuel,

As I look back on this summer's events at Emmanuel, I can only say what a spectacular closing to a very event active time. This past Sunday we celebrated the Feast of St Francis. What sounds like something simple, really isn't. It is not just about putting together the service and then meeting with the pets and casting Blessings. It is a special service to honor St. Francis, the Patron Saint of the Environment and Animals.

It is put together in a unique way. It is about holding each pet in our hearts as Fr. Jon gave a special blessing to each one...those who await us at the Rainbow Bridge, those that can only attend as a picture on our phones, and those we can hold and touch and speak to. It is a very special day. This year it was made more so by the presence of 'The Musicians' offering their special jamming style of music and welcoming those who have requests. Many thanks to Walter, Andy, Brian, and Mike.

In all of this we want to thank the three people who coordinated these two very successful events: Anne, Cathy and Kellon. Cathy took the additional time to upload many of the very many photos on our Facebook page. They will also appear on Instagram. Please make it a point to visit these sites and hit the like/love option. The service has been uploaded to YouTube and I enjoyed being able to see it while not being able to be there. Make sure to support our parish by visiting all of these sites.

By Wednesday, our HBO friends this past week will close up shop. There may be an additional visit but for now they have completed their filming. They have been spectacular guests and we hope that all those that have access to HBO will get a chance to watch Season 2 of Julia. A big thanks goes out to Susan Kryczka, our website coordinator. She has been the point person for HBO since they first came to Emmanuel. Her efforts here have been essential to making things run smoothly for them while they use our facilities. It has made us their first choice when in the area.

We thank everyone for all your support and look forward to seeing you at next Sunday's 10am for Morning Prayer.

Terri and Ken, Co-warden

**Scenes from the Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 2, 2022**



“The Musicians”



Memorial Table



One of God’s Creatures Blessed via Cell Phone Photo



“The Blessing” Parish Leaders

WATCH EMMANUEL VIA YOUTUBE

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service, usually posted by Monday evening*, via our website, <https://emmanuelwr.org/> or by going directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jIdhA

Remember to follow us also on Facebook: [emmanuelwr.org](https://www.facebook.com/emmanuelwr.org)

**There will be no video of the Morning Prayer services for Sunday, October 9 and Sunday, October 16.*

PRAY 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=form1

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: <https://wck.org/>

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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---info@emmanuelwr.org. Only first names will be used.