



NEWSLETTER
March 5, 2023
Emmanuel Church
West Roxbury, MA 02132

Fellow Parishioners and Friends,

We finally arrived at Shrove Tuesday dinner, and it was a great deal of fun and feasting. The gumbo, desserts, bread, and fellowship joined together to create a wonderful Christian experience leading into Lent. Thanks to all who helped create this holiday event. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. For those who missed it, plan on next year.

We are also preparing for the Bishop Alan Gates' visit this coming Sunday. We hope all of our parish and friends can join us. This offers an occasion for us to meet with the bishop and share our stories and concerns. Please mark your calendars.

As for our Sunday service on 2/26, most of you know that Fr. Jon had a last-minute call out due to illness. We put together a workable Morning Prayer service early Sunday morning and prepared a few short remarks for a Lenten Homily. As people filtered into the Emmanuel, one of the new visitors was a recently retired Priest from Attleboro. Our good fortune was that she was willing to run a Holy Eucharist service for us. It was a wonderful surprise and service. It was a distinct pleasure to serve alongside someone who was so forthcoming. Many thanks to Rev. Meghan Sweeney for providing the Christian sustenance that we seek each week.

We hope to see you for this coming Sunday at 10am service with Bishop Alan Gates as Celebrant.

Terri and Ken, Co-wardens



First Sunday of Lent, 2/26/2023



**Sunday, March 5, 10am
Visitation from Bishop Alan Gates**

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 you can go directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jIdhA

PRAY FOR UKRAINE



As the war continues into a second year, 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](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/>

СЛАВА УКРАЇНІ!



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

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