

NEWSLETTER March 19, 2023 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA 02132

Fellow Parishioners and Friends,

It's refreshing to slow down a bit after these busy last few weeks, even if only for a brief time. We'll be into Holy Week and Easter soon enough. Please stay tuned for announcements regarding Holy Week and Easter services.

In the meantime, Fr. Jon has started the Lenten Adult Formation series. This week featured lessons on the saints: Who are they, how did they become saints and who exactly is a saint.

In the Episcopal Church there is a definition: "A holy person, a faithful Christian, who shares life in Christ."

The term may also indicate one who has been formally canonized or recognized as a saint by church authority. In the New Testament, the term is applied **to all faithful Christians** (Acts 9:32, 26:10).

Fr. Jon led a great interactive lesson that also allowed us to share light snacks and coffee together. All questions were welcomed. This is such a relaxed and wonderful way to share our Christian history and heritage.

We urge everyone who can to take the time to join us again next Sunday after our 10am Holy Eucharist service for this Lenten series. Coffee will be served, and anyone may bring a light snack.

Thank you and have a good week.

Terri and Ken, Co-wardens



Fr. Jon leads our Lenten Adult Formation Series with visuals! Join us next Sunday, March 19, after the service.

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 and SUPPORT 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:

 $\underline{https://support.savethechildren.org/site/Donation2?df_id=5746\&mfc_pref=T\&5746.donation=form1$

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---<u>info@emmanuelwr.org</u>. Only first names will be used.