

NEWSLETTER The Eighteenth day after Pentecost October 1, 2023 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA 02132

Fellow Parishioners and Friends,

Another grand week has come and gone. Our outside work on the gutters has been completed. The Vestry approved repairs to the fencing along the side entrance as well as repair of a large, eroded area by the funeral door, due to rainwater damage. All this has been repaired with a new gutter and downspout. We are very thankful that flooding from all the wet weather this summer, even before the gutter and downspout work, did not occur in the church building proper. Just some seepage in the boiler room.

We've posted Fr. Jon's return service from 9/24 on Facebook along with additional pictures of the final Vacation camp week in early September. I encourage you to visit/like and share these fabulous images of our parish in its many roles.

We continue our efforts to set up live streaming of our services. There was a glitch in the cable installation that damaged the cable. Ken is ordering a new cable and the installation will be underway soon.

This week, Emmanuel hosts the Deanery meeting. This is a meeting that puts some of our local parishes together for a discussion about our mutual Episcopal ministries and concerns. We will also be applying for a matching grant to acquire funds for our local food bank. There will be more on that issue if the funding is approved.

Fr. Jon is putting together some Adult Education sessions, to start in late October. These will follow our Sunday service. Our fellowship coffee hour will be combined with some thought-provoking discussions. We invite you to join us. More info to follow.

Remember to mark your calendar for the Blessing of the Animals on October 15th. All animals, real or stuffed, in-person or in a photo, or just in our hearts, are welcome to receive a blessing from Fr. Jon.

See you on Sunday October 1 for our Holy Eucharist service at 10am.

Terri and Ken, Co-Wardens

WATCH EMMANUEL VIA YOUTUBE

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service, usually posted by Tuesday evening via our website, https://emmanuelwr.org/ or you can go directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jIdhA (Morning Prayer Services are not videotaped nor posted.)

PRAY FOR and SUPPORT UKRAINE



The war continues. We prayer for Ukraine and its people. Our prayers truly help, as they keep us mindful of God's love for us and his miracles.

Please consider donating to one of these curated and trusted organizations raising money for Ukraine. https://www.helpsaveukraine.org/ СЛАВА УКРАЇНІ!



We pray for those who are homebound or ill: For all those who have asked for our prayers, especially Bud Cederholm, Paul, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne H, Patricia, Barbara, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Marilyn, Eddy, Christopher, Laura, and Steve for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Please email us the names of those who need special prayers---info@emmanuelwr.org. Only first names will be used.