

# NEWSLETTER The Fourth Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve December 24, 2023 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA 02132

Dear Fellow Parishioners and Friends of Emmanuel Parish,



The Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day, this Sunday, December 24. Join us for our Advent IV service at 10:00 a.m. and then our Christmas Eve service at 5:00 p.m. We would love to see you at both.

Terri and Ken, Co-Wardens

# Santa Visits with Emmanuel's Four-Legged Friends

Santa, and his helper, stopped by Emmanuel Church on Sunday, December 17 to have photos taken with his many friends, both doggy and human:























Check our Facebook site at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelWestRoxbury/">https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelWestRoxbury/</a> for other photos from Sunday, December 17.



# "Help Us Help Our Neighbors" Campaign

We continue to collect donations to Emmanuel Church for Rose's Bounty Food Pantry operating from the Stratford Street Church located just up the street on the same block as us. Our goal is to match a diocesan grant given to us for \$500. Any questions, please reach out to Gail Halpin-Evans (<a href="mailto:ghe9876@aol.com">ghe9876@aol.com</a>) if you have questions. Please make checks payable to Emmanuel Church with a memo that is intended as a Rose's Bounty contribution.

## Watch Emmanuel via YouTube

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service, usually posted by Tuesday evening via our website, <a href="https://emmanuelwr.org/">https://emmanuelwr.org/</a> or you can go directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\_XbZ8h9jIdhA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\_XbZ8h9jIdhA</a> (Morning Prayer Services are not videotaped nor posted.)

### **Pray for and Support Ukraine**



The war continues and winter is upon us, prolonging the suffering of the Ukrainian people. 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 Alfred, Stanley, Peter, Felix, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Barbara, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, Christopher, Michael Curry, Christina and Tony and his wife Manny and son, Alex..

We also pray for those who have died, especially Laura.

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