



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021

Holy Family and St. Emery Parish
Being Like Minded...Being One In Spirit And Purpose
(Phil.2:2)



Saturday, January 23

St. Emery

8:30 AM +Celia and Albert Edwards, Sr.

Holy Family

4:00 PM +Jackie Carroll

Sunday, January 24

Holy Family

8:30 AM For All Parishioners

11:30 AM +William E. SanFilippo, Jr.

St. Emery

10:00 AM +Elizabeth Cervone

Weekday Masses, Holy Family

Monday Mass, 1/25

7:45 AM +William E. SanFilippo, Jr.

Tuesday Mass, 1/26

7:45 AM +Marguerite DiBiase

Wednesday, 1/27

7:45 AM +Edward Laska, Sr.

Thursday Mass, 1/28

7:45 AM +Francisco E. Bahamonde

Friday Mass, 1/29

7:45 AM +William E. SanFilippo, Jr.

Saturday, January 30

St. Emery

8:30AM +For All Souls

Holy Family

4:00 PM +The Deceased Members Of The
Scalzi, Matthews and Miller Families

Sunday, January 31

Holy Family

8:30 AM +William E. SanFilippo, Jr.

11:30 AM For All Parishioners

St. Emery

10:00 AM +The Deceased Members Of The
Zadrovicz Families



Pray for

We ask that you remember in prayer and thought those members of our Parish family who are unable to worship with us, the sick, hospitalized, home-bound or elderly and nursing home residents.

Please especially remember in your prayers, Miralia Torres, Terri Wasilewski, Kevin Leary, Gary Dicso, Suzanne Barnum, Helen Kautzner, Todd Burr, Erika Faber, Nina DeBenedetto, Doreen Haray, Joanne Iurato, David Carbonella, Dee LaBelle, Nancy Roche, Connie Knorra, Maxine Vipond, Laura Backus, Erin Backus, Kenny Krushinski, Ramon Gonzalez, Barbara Miro, Debbie Izzo, Marie and Terry Armstrong, Patsy Bennett, Anne Chatlos, Mary DeSanto-Belletzkie, Sandy Miller.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



The Sanctuary Lamps at Holy Family and St. Emery shine brightly for all Front Line Health Care Workers, First Responders and Essential Workers

Clergy (office phone extension)

Rev. Sean Kulacz, Pastor x101

Rev. Dious Joseph, Parochial Vicar x 113

Deacon Joseph DeBiase

Deacon Rudolph P. Trankovich

Staff (office phone extension)

Cheryl Camillo, Business Manager x103

Mary Rose Garych, Music Director x102

Gail Young, Administrative Assistant x100

After Hours Emergency x251

Parish Trustees

Karen Adams Maurice Magnotta

Parish Organizations/Ministries

Companions on the Journey: meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the Holy Family Parish office conference room, 10:30AM-noon (except summer months).

Knights of Columbus: Meets 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM, K of C Room, Holy Family Church. Grand Knight, Brian Parisi, 203-368-9286

Parish Nurse: Karen Palaia, 203-384-0229

Blood Pressure Screenings: Announced after Mass

Men's Reflection Group: Saturdays, 8 AM-9:30 AM, Holy Family Parish office conference room, Maurice Magnotta, 203-366-6707

Rosary Prayer Group: Thursday evening, 6 PM, Holy Family Church.

Sick/Homebound Visits: Contact Deacon Joe DiBiase at 203-260-7493.

N.A.: Tuesdays, 7-8:15 PM, Rm 10, Holy Family School.

Bulletin Deadline

Items for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office by noon on Tuesday for the next weekend's bulletin.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office at least a year in advance to ensure proper time and adequate preparation for this Sacrament. Pre-Cana required.

Baptisms

Please call the Parish office for details.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office to set up a visit.
For the dying, please contact the parish office immediately.

Funerals

In the event of a funeral, please contact your funeral director to make arrangements. They will, in turn, contact us with the details and we will make the arrangement for music as well as meet with you to plan the Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Anyone interested in becoming a Roman Catholic becomes a part of this process, as can any adult who has not received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation). For further information, please call the parish office.

Mass Schedule

Saturday

8:30 am St. Emery

4:00 pm Holy Family

Sunday

8:30 am Holy Family

10:00 am St. Emery

11:30 am Holy Family

Confession: By appointment only by calling the Parish office, 203-336-1835

Daily Mass: Monday thru Friday 7:45 am
Civic Holidays, 9am
Holy Family

General Information:

Email: office@holyfamilyrc.org

Parish website: www.holyfamilyrc.com
Mon-Fri 9am-4pm (closed 12:30pm-1:30pm)

Fri 9am-1pm

Phone: 203-336-1835

Offertory**1/17/21:****TOTAL \$4,449****Weekly operating expense \$10,500**

We thank you for your generosity!

**Please refer to page 6 of the Bulletin for
an important message regarding
Ash Wednesday.**

Thank you.

**As a reminder, please do not attend Mass if you
are not feeling well with even the slightest
symptoms, have a cough, fever or have been
around anyone with the COVID-19 virus.**

2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The statements will be completed by January 31 and
mailed out shortly thereafter.

Please note that the prepared statements only reflect
total donations in excess of \$250 for the year 2020.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

“Repent, and believe in the gospel.” Some type of honest and sincere repentance is necessary for any type of authentic growth and maturity. We have to come to the realization, unless we are happy wallowing in immaturity and superficiality, that the way we have been doing things is not the best or the healthiest. There isn’t a human being alive who hasn’t acted foolishly or erratically at the cost of almost losing a treasured relationship. “Why did I act that way?” is a question we often ponder after some reflection and enlightenment.

Faith works the same way. Stumbling through life and bumping up against meaninglessness, a person can begin to see that something significant is missing. They see that there is merit to a relationship with God and an embrace of faith. Before these can take root, sincere sorrow for past wrong doing, missed opportunities, errors in judgment, and short sightedness is necessary. Repentance is necessary. Then having realized that we were walking in darkness, we can rejoice that by God’s grace we now see the light.

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Our Parish Rosary Group is once again
meeting on a weekly basis and would love
to have you come and join them.

Every Thursday, 6pm in Holy Family
Church (weather permitting during the
winter months).

We hope to see you there soon.

IMPORTANT DIRECTIVES REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES ON ASH WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 17)

In order to accommodate as many people as possible in a safe and reverent manner, the distribution of ashes will be done differently this year. I have outlined the details below:

- Everyone who attends Mass or a Liturgy of the Word on Ash Wednesday, must register beforehand the same way we handle weekend Masses. Therefore, reservations are required.
- We will begin taking reservations on Monday, February 1. You may call Monday through Thursday, 9:30am - 3:30pm. If you receive the auto attendant, you can leave a message, but your reservation is not confirmed until we return your call. The office number is 203-336-1835. We will be taking reservations up until 3:30pm on Tuesday, February 16.

To ensure the safety of clergy and the lay faithful, the following has been instituted for receiving ashes.

- The dry ashes will be sprinkled on the crown of the head.
- When coming forward for the ashes, please follow the same process as Communion, after which please return to your pew via the center aisle.

The Mass times are:

7:45am, Mass - Holy Family

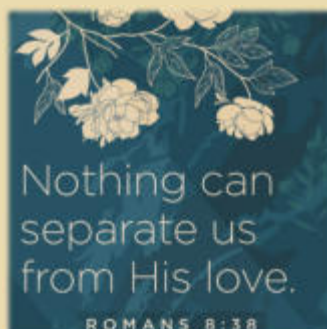
Noon, Mass - St. Emery

5:30pm, Liturgy Of The Word - Holy Family

Our prayers, faith and our love of The Lord will help strengthen us when we feel overwhelmed by the difficult times we have been faced with.

You are all in my prayers. God bless you.

Fr. Sean





We Stand With Christ Capital Campaign Update



Our Parish's ***We Stand With Christ*** capital campaign has now reached **\$298,000** in pledges, or 38% of our campaign goal!

All parish families should have received your campaign materials by now. If you have not received your packet, please pick one up in the church vestibule.

Our ***We Stand With Christ*** campaign goal is **\$775,000**, which includes our 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal (\$91,000). 50% of the funds raised by our Parish will support Holy Family and St. Emery's capital priorities, which include:

1. Add Handicap Accessibility to Parish Offices



2. Repair Rose Window at St. Emery Church



3. Repair Overhang Roofs at Holy Family Church



4. Replace Organ in Holy Family Church



50% of the funds raised will also support three lay-lead foundations, legally separate from the Diocese of Bridgeport, that help provide Catholic education, pastoral ministries, and works of charity throughout Fairfield County.

If we can exceed our goal, Holy Family and St. Emery Parish will receive back 75% of the funds we raise above our goal.

You can also make your pledge online by visiting GiveCentral.org/WSWC.

Thank you to all of those who have already pledged their support and those who are considering a gift to this historic campaign.

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