

Library at St. Emile!!!

At our long time former Pastor, Father Peeters' passing, St. Emile Parish was left with boxes of books that this scholarly man owned as part of his private library. After many of the books were shared amongst Fr. Peeters' brother priests, there still remained a treasure-trove of English and French books! The process of separating, culling, and categorizing began! Parishioners also contributed many books; a small, former Catechism classroom was reassigned, shelves were dusted off and added, pictures and posters were hung, and cheerful and attractive decorations lend a welcoming atmosphere to the room. Now almost four years later, we have the St. Emile Parish Library, with close to 400 books!



Books are organized by categories with an identifying sticker on its cover such as: Bibles & Commentaries (BC), Saints (S), Prayers & Meditations (PM), Women of the Church (W), Church & Theology (CT), Wellness (W), General (G). There is also a section for Children's Christian books (C) and a wide selection of beautiful music. Parishioners are welcome at any time as the doors are always open! No membership fees are required and a minimum of up-keep is necessary. When borrowing books or music, parishioners simply enter the information on a Sign-Out sheet and when returning, they sign the date and are invited to replace the book to its proper category.

We hope that Father Peeters, a lover of learning and teaching, is pleased with the fact that his books still serve the parishioners of St. Emile!!!