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*New Canaan, Connecticut*

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*First Sunday of Lent - March 9, 2025*

## SUNDAY MASSES

**Saturday:** Vigil for Sunday 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The **Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass** is live-streamed, recorded and available on the Parish Website: [www.starcc.com](http://www.starcc.com)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday - Friday:** 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday:** 7:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION** Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Chapel

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

## PARISH OFFICE

40 Maple St, New Canaan, CT 06840

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

In case of an **emergency** requiring a priest, please call the parish office: 203-966-0020 and follow the prompts.

## CLERGY & STAFF

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## PARISH TRUSTEES

Christine Hussey, Trustee

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## Lenten Activities This Week

Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> -

8:30 AM Healing Rosary in the Chapel

Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> -

12:15 PM Rosary in the Chapel

7:00 PM Women's Holy Hour  
in the Church

Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> -

7:30 AM Rosary in the Church

March, March 14<sup>th</sup> -

7:30 AM Adoration in the Chapel

5:15 PM Benediction in the Chapel

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross -  
led by our Wellness Ministry

## ~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday -	March 10, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Garo Garabedian
5:30 p.m.	John Strba
Tuesday -	March 11, 2025
7:00 a.m.	David Scannell
5:30 p.m.	William and Margaret Phiiptic
Wednesday -	March 12, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Mary Aldrich, St. Aloysius Parishioners
5:30 p.m.	Johnathan Malizia
Thursday -	March 13, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Joe Sigillo (L)
5:30 p.m.	Richard C. Browne
Friday -	March 14, 2025
7:00 a.m.	George E May, Jr. and Deceased Members of the May and Ahn families
5:30 p.m.	Vincenzo DiFrancesco
Saturday -	March 15, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Pat Berben
5:00 p.m.	Kevin Dougherty
Sunday -	March 16, 2025
7:00 a.m.	Donald Mustay
8:30 a.m.	Paul Torpey Babe Totaro Michael Burns Rose D'Alessandro Honorable Mary Carolyn "Jodi" Rell
10:00 a.m.	Thomas and Mary Kelleher and Family
11:30 a.m.	Virginia P. and John S. Spugani
5:00 p.m.	Joseph Natoli

***We Welcome Our Newly Baptized:***  
Juliette Elizabeth Johnson

***Marriage Banns:***  
I - Kara Kubinski and Chase Hyatt

***We Welcome Our New Parishioners:***  
Blosio Family  
McCartney-Pappas Family  
Vlad Roketsky

## ~ Please Pray For ~

***Please let us know if you see a name that should be removed from this list because their circumstances have changed.***

Maria Alvarado, Michele and Kurt Babyak, Benjamin Barresi, Robert Blosio III, Margaret "Peg" Brewer, Anthony Burrows, Michael Buzzeo, Jim Carty, Tom Carty, Margaret Cavanagh, Lois Cawley, Luz Celit, Brian Cristello, James Cristello, Tina Cusimano, Michael DeCarlo, Brooke D'Aleo, Rick Daniels, Audrey Dertinger, Matthew DeVaney, Lawrence DeVito, Mauro DiFulvio, Caragh Dougherty, Madeline Dwyer, Monique Elliot, John Emert, Michael Fallon, Rinda Farnham, Mark Dale Ferguson, Grace Ferlito, Owen Fitzgerald, Angela Franco, Maria Franco, Rick Franco, Henry Frank, Ging Galindo, Alexandra Gagliardi, Karolina Gardocki, Ann Gehrich, Franco Gencarelli, Austin Gidge, Barrie Gonzalez, Kathy Grove, Olivia Hurley, Juan Invernon, Maria Invernon, Sarah Jessie, William K., Katie Kennedy, Maryann Knag, Mary Jane Kopal, Clare Kretzman, Merrily Krauser, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Al Latte, Jose Lavana, Vicki LeBris, Joanne Liscio, Joshua Liscio, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Debbie B. Lyon, Dan Mao, Rachel Mawardi, Liz McKay, Martin McLaughlin, Sarah McNulty, Fabiola Mellio, Hudson Moore, Dell Murphy, Melissa Murray, Diane Oberander, Chris O'Connor, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Patricia Pastore, Austin Jack Pieck, Cathy McClane Quiaoit, Noah Quiaoit, Lily Pickering, Nora Radocea, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Kelly Robb, Jeanne Ruddock, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Massimo Sciarretta, Karen Scigliano, Carol Selvin, Diane Silverio, Donna Silverio, Lynda Ann Slovik, Frank Smith, Susan Leighton Smith, Paul Sorge, Sr., Fernando Spadaccini, Mike Szarpa, Ignatius Thompson, Graziella Tullio, Margot Vaughan, Dominick Anthony Vento, Dorothy Voris, Martha Wieber, Alex Wood, Marie Zapata

### **Please pray for those serving in the military:**

Sgt. Tiernan Christopher Brady; 1st Lt. Morgan Carson; CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; CPT Paul Corapi; CPT Vienna Corapi; Lt. Col. Neil Dolan; Major Brian Gerardi; Staff Sgt. Patrick Joseph Hussey; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; 1st Lt. Andrew Scott; E3 Peter Sloan USN; CPT Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko

### **SANCTUARY CANDLES**

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#### **Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle**

Barbara Jean Lapolla

#### **Mary Sanctuary Candle**

Kathy Stachura

#### **Chapel Candle**

### **Bulletin and Eblast Submissions Deadlines**

- Eblast submissions are due by **Monday at 1 p.m.**
- Bulletin submissions are due by **Tuesday at 1 p.m.**

Email to: [bulletin@starcc.com](mailto:bulletin@starcc.com)

## St. Aloysius Church, New Canaan, CT



Words from Monsignor Rob Kinnally

### Into the Desert

From this Sunday's Gospel (according to Luke):

*Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry.*

So, if Jesus is God how could he have been tempted? We don't think of Jesus being tempted – after all, he's Jesus! But Jesus was human, and humans are tempted. Consider that scene described in the Gospel passage: The Son of God, poised to begin his earthly ministry is driven into the desert by the Holy Spirit (God) for more than a month, and who's there? Satan, wild beasts, and angels. It sounds like an ordinary day in the life of a child of God, doesn't it? Think about it – every day we are faced with temptations that are rooted in some form of evil: the temptation to be unfaithful, self-promoting, judgmental, dishonest, vain, -- no need to extend the list of such unpleasant attributes; you get it.

There are forces out there that want us to fail at being faithful, humble, patient, understanding, truthful, and modest. Those forces include the "wild beasts" from the kingdom of "wanting more and wanting it better." The good news is that we often have "angels" ministering to us to save us from the onslaught of the crazy ideas we have of reaching far beyond where God wants us to be. Those "angels" are the ones who love us and care for us so much that they bring us to the proper desert – the desert of our inner selves where God wraps his love around our restless hearts and calms us into living in Him.

The way to face temptation head on and win is to first spend time in the desert – alone with God who wants "just-you-and-me" time to say "I love you and I will guard you and guide you like the most loving father or mother you can imagine." Nothing will seem more important if we do that. Nothing will tempt us away from being truly alive in Christ. No wild beast of false opportunity can overcome us!

Having spent our Lent in the desert with God – in prayer, in worship, and just being in one another's presence – we will spend our Easter fully alive in the Risen Lord.

I'm praying that you have a good desert experience.

*Monsignor Rob*



### THE BUILDING CORNER

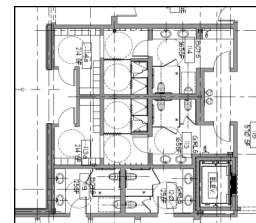
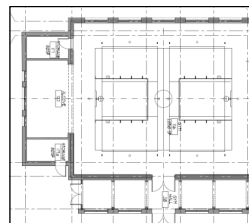
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Are you, or someone you know, experiencing a difficult life situation - such as the loss of a loved one, medical crisis, divorce, family issues, job loss, or caregiving challenges? Please consider reaching out to a Stephen Minister by contacting Msgr. Rob at [frrob@starcc.com](mailto:frrob@starcc.com).

### St. Aloysius Church Offertory

<b>Sunday, March 2, 2025</b>	<b>\$16,541</b>
Online Giving for the week:	<u>6,995</u>
<b>TOTAL OFFERTORY:</b>	<b><u>\$23,536</u></b>
<b>LAST YEAR:</b>	<b>\$22,744</b>

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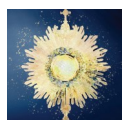
#### Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.



Eucharistic Adoration begins immediately following the 7:00 a.m. Mass and will conclude with Benediction at 5:15 p.m. prior to Mass. (There is 3:00pm recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by the Rosary.)

If you can spare 30 or 60 minutes to adore Our Lord, contact Mary Ellen Kranzlin at: [mkranzlin@gmail.com](mailto:mkranzlin@gmail.com)



#### Women's Holy Hour

St. Aloysius, New Canaan

Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
in the Church

For more info. contact: Tricia LaValle: 203.536.0237

All who have experienced the loss of a loved one are invited to join us for the

#### Journey to Light Bereavement Ministry

The next Meeting is Wed, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m.  
in the Maple Street Room (at 40 Maple Street).



#### MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Our next meeting is  
Tuesday evening,  
March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the  
Maple Street Room at 40 Maple Street.

All men in the parish are welcome.  
We hope you can join us.

#### Parish E-Mail Notifications

If you would like to receive our weekly parish e-mail, our digital bulletin plus other parish news, please sign up at:  
[bit.ly/StA-email](http://bit.ly/StA-email)

### ~ Youth Ministry ~



#### WHERE IS GOD CALLING YOU THIS LENT?

#### Food, Faith & Flicks

Friday, March 14

A casual pizza dinner gathering with a showing of the inspirational movie "My All American"

Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-55081365-food>

#### Visit to Thorpe Family Residence

Saturday, March 15

Travel to the Bronx to help mentor the children of single moms in crisis!

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#### Teen Adoration

Tuesday, March 18

Special Guest Fr. Brendan G. Coffey, SJ who is the Campus Minister from Fairfield Prep will lead us deeper into our faith journey for Lent! Come spend this time in the presence of Jesus!

Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-55508562-teen>



Our teens continue to be the light of Christ to the world as they recently hosted St. A's Buddies, prayed the Rosary, fed the hungry at FOODSHARE and hosted a dinner for the Malta Moms and watched their babies!

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## Stations of the Cross For Healing

Friday, March 14th at 7 PM

Join our Wellness Ministry as we pray, reflect and unite our sufferings to the Way of the Cross. All who are experiencing any type of chronic medical condition and caregivers are welcome.

For more information, email Colette Gardner at [colettegardner@gmail.com](mailto:colettegardner@gmail.com)



### Blood Pressure Screening After All Masses Next Weekend March 15th & 16th

The St. A's Parish Nurse Ministry will be taking blood pressure screenings after all Masses in the Quiet Room in the back of the church.

If you are a registered nurse and would like to help with this ministry please email:  
Kim McNamara at [kmcnamara3@me.com](mailto:kmcnamara3@me.com)

Keep Marching



## MARCH FOR LIFE Connecticut March For Life March 19th

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Aloysius  
10:00 a.m. Bus leaves from church to Hartford  
12:00 p.m. Rally at the State Capitol  
1:00 p.m. March for Life  
4:00 p.m. Bus returns to St. Aloysius

- No cost for the bus - donations welcome
- Email [respectlife@starcc.com](mailto:respectlife@starcc.com) with any questions.



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The Emmaus Teens of St. Aloysius  
Invite You to Join Them for our



## Trinity Tea

Sunday, March 16th 3:00-4:30pm

Stapleton Hall at St. Aloysius

**WEAR GREEN IF YOU CAN!**

An intergenerational gathering for our young at heart seniors and teens featuring a bountiful buffet of tea treats, music and fun fellowship! Caregivers welcome!



R.S.V.P. Chris Otis at 203-652-1154 or at [youth@starcc.com](mailto:youth@starcc.com)

## Loaves & Fishes

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PLEASE ADD THESE ITEMS TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST EACH WEEK AND DROP THEM IN THE BACK ENTRY OF THE CHURCH ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE CHAPEL.

SIDE DISH POUCHES (PASTA, RICE POTATOES, ETC.)

SALAD DRESSING/SYRUP

KID SNACKS/KIDS BREAKFAST SNACKS (NO GRANOLA BARS)

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Thank you for your generosity to our emergency food drive for New Covenant Center!

### NEW COVENANT CENTER

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#### LENTEN REFLECTIONS ON THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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**7:00 PM**

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To schedule an appointment between March 10 - 16,  
please contact Valerie Franco  
at [francovalerie10@gmail.com](mailto:francovalerie10@gmail.com) or 912-658-8580.

**Please join Monsignor Rob at  
St. Aloysius Parish Men's Lenten Retreat  
March 28-30, 2025**

Info. and signup: [www.holyfamilyretreat.org/  
calendar/men10-11](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar/men10-11)



**Or scan or click the QR Code:**

Questions - contact **Kevin Leitão** at 203-829-9408 or  
[kevinleitao@mac.com](mailto:kevinleitao@mac.com).

### ~ Faith Formation ~



**Men's Bible Study & Fellowship**  
**Saturday Mornings 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.**

All Men are welcome, whether you have a degree in Scripture  
or you've never opened the Bible outside of Mass.

In the Maple Street Dining Room of the Parish Center. Doors open  
at 7:30. Enter through the kitchen door off Maple Street.

For more info. contact Bob Mantilia at 203-414-1500  
or [Robert.R.Mantilia@gmail.com](mailto:Robert.R.Mantilia@gmail.com)



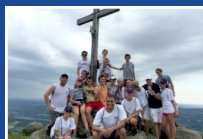
#### Our Lady's Pilgrimage INFO NIGHTS

Join us to learn about the OLP summer youth pilgrimages  
to serve in Lourdes, France. Hear from pilgrims and  
leaders, & have the opportunity to ask your questions.

**Sunday, March 23 or Monday, March 24**  
**at 7:30-8:30 PM EST on Zoom**

#### 2025 Pilgrimage Schedule

- P1 (Stage & Alumni), July 11 - 20, 2025
- P2 (New Pilgrims), July 20 - 28, 2025
- P3 (New Pilgrims), August 8 - 17, 2025



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**St. Aloysius Women's Bible Study**  
**2025 Program**

**It's never too late to join us!**

**Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:30 am**

(Meeting Room at First Presbyterian Church, 178 Oenoke Ridge)

**A Biblical Walk With the Blessed Mother**

For more information, visit <https://starcc.com/wbs/>

Any questions, please contact the leadership team at  
[wbsstaloysius@gmail.com](mailto:wbsstaloysius@gmail.com)



**St. Aloysius Zoom Bible Study**  
**Online - Monday's 10 - 11:30 a.m.**

All are welcome — Bible scholars to Bible beginners! The class is led  
by Maryann Knag MAT MAR, a trained Catholic Bible scholar who has  
been leading Bible studies in the diocese of Bridgeport for 20 years.  
She teaches under the Magisterium. We are currently reading,  
praying and discussing The Book of Psalms, Pss 110-150. Then we  
will take up the Book of Genesis.

For more information, contact Maryann at 203.213.4809 or  
at [mmknag@aol.com](mailto:mmknag@aol.com) for the Zoom Invitation and Link.



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~ Other News ~

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