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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - September 14, 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: <a href="https://www.starcc.com">www.starcc.com</a>

#### **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

<u>EUCHARISTIC ADORATION</u> is on hiatus and will resume on Friday, October 3, 2025.

#### **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.

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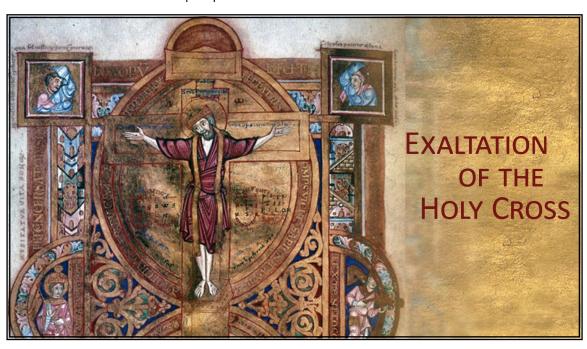
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#### ~ Mass Intentions ~

September 15, 2025 Monday -7:00 a.m. Eileen Wren 5:30 p.m. Kathleen Staudt Nickels Tuesday -September 16, 2025 7:00 a.m. Carmela DiMuzio 5:30 p.m. Thomas Paul Miller Wednesday -September 17, 2025 7:00 a.m. Eddie Bauer 5:30 p.m. Rose D'Alessando September 18, 2025 Thursday -7:00 a.m. Ed Lynn St. Aloysius Parishioners Gloria Vitti 5:30 p.m. September 19, 2025 Friday -7:00 a.m. John Scott Ahern 5:30 p.m. Ann O'Keeffe Saturday -September 20, 2025 7:00 a.m. Christopher Braccia 5:00 p.m. Mary O'Rourke Sunday -September 21, 2025 7:00 a.m. Philomena Cotoia 8:30 a.m. Msgr. Edward B. Karl 10:00 a.m. Gloria Doino 11:30 a.m. Robert Sirabella Blanca Auz Patricia Faughnan John & Althea Halan Ronald Halbardier 5:00 p.m. Ned Steele

#### We Welcome Our Newly Baptized:

Mae Munro Scheuerer Jack Douglas Reilly **Grover West Bashaw** 

#### Marriage Banns:

I - Sophie Thorndike Axenroth and Brandon Michael Salvatore II - Jane Ann Windhorst and Daniel Robert Emrick III - Abigail Jeanne Geanakos and David Paul Giusti

#### Please Pray for the Deceased:

Christopher S. Bleuel John Michael Joyce

We Welcome Our New Parishioners: Nardi Family

#### ~ 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, Dave Borgeson, Margaret "Peg" Brewer, Anthony Burrows, Michael Buzzeo, Nora Carbone, Tom Carty, Lois Cawley, Luz Celit, Brian Cristello, James Cristello, John Cristello, Tina Cusimano, Michael DeCarlo, Brooke D'Aleo, Audrey Dertinger, Matthew DeVaney, Caragh Dougherty, Gerald Dulski, Madeline Dwyer, Monique Elliot, Michael Fallon, Rinda Farnham, Pat Feeley, Mark Dale Ferguson, Grace Ferlito, Owen Fitzgerald, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Angela Franco, Maria Franco, Henry Frank, Ging Galindo, Alexandra Gagliardi, Karolina Gardocki, Ann Gehnrich, Franco Gencarelli, Austin Gidge, Barrie Gonzalez, Kathy Grove, Douglas Hull, Olivia Hurley, Juan Invernon, Maria Invernon, Sarah Jessie, Sharon Kempf, William K., Katie Kennedy, Maryann Knag, Clare Kretzman, Merrily Krauser, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Al Latte, Jose Lavana, Vicki LeBris, Joanne Liscio, Joshua Liscio, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Debbie B. Lyon, Alan Maguire, 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, Beverly Peck, Theresa Petrucci, Lily Pickering, Austin Jack Pieck, Cathy McClane Quiaoit, Noah Quiaoit, Nora Radocea, Matthew Raymond, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Massimo Sciaretta, 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, Margot Vaughan, Dominick Anthony Vento, Dorothy Voris, Peggy Wallace, Alex Wood, Marie Zapata

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

Sqt. Tiernan Christopher Brady: 1st Lt. Morgan Carson: CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; CPT Paul Corapi; CPT Vienna Corapi; Lt. Col. Neil Dolan; Major Brian Gerardi; 2nd Lt. Jack Goetz; Senior Airman Chase Hyatt; SR Christopher Kouimanis; 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

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#### **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



# 🌉 Words from Monsignor Rob Kinnally

#### Saint Pier Giorgio Michelangelo Frassati

The other Saint who was canonized last Sunday was Pier Giorgio Frassati. He was born in Turin, Italy on April 6, 1901. The son of an artist mother and a journalist-politician father, Pier Giorgio joined the Marian Sodality and the Apostleship of prayer, and at an early age received permission to receive Holy Communion daily (which was rare at that time). At the age of 17, he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society and dedicated much of his spare time to serving the sick, the poor, orphans, and servicemen returning from World War I. He studied mining engineering at the local university so that he could "serve Christ better among the miners." While a student, Pier Giorgio joined the Catholic Student Foundation and Catholic Action. He was also very active in the People's Party which promoted the Church's social teaching based on the principles of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical Rerum Novarum.

Pier Giorgio was very generous to the poor, often using his bus fare for charity and then running home to be on time for meals. He often sacrificed his vacations at the family summer home outside Turin because, as he said, "if everybody leaves Turin, who will take care of the poor?"

This new Saint loved mountain climbing, and his numerous outings in the mountains with friends served as opportunities for his apostolic work. He led many of his friends to Mass, the reading of Scripture, and praying the rosary. His fondness for the letters of Saint Paul sparked his zeal for fraternal charity and his reading of the sermons of the Renaissance preacher and reformer Girolamo Savonarola impelled him to join the Third Order of St. Dominic.

Just prior to receiving his university degree, Pier Giorgio contracted poliomyelitis, which doctors later speculated he caught from the sick whom he tended. Neglecting his own health because his grandmother was dying, after six days of intense suffering Pier Giorgio died at the age of 24 on July 4. 1925. On the eve of his death, he scribbled a message to a friend to take the medication Pier Giorgio needed to a poor sick man he had been visiting. In 1981 his mortal remains were found completely intact and incorrupt upon their exhumation; following his beatification in 1990 they were transferred from the family plot in Pollone to the cathedral in Turin. Many pilgrims, especially the young, come to visit his tomb.

St. Pier Giorgio, help us to be zealous disciples and conquer the mountains of challenge that come our way. Amen.

Monsignor Rob

### Parish E-Mail Notifications If you would like to receive our weekly parish e-mail, our digital bulletin plus other parish news, sign up at: bit.ly/StA



#### Mornings in the Education and Faith Center

When the day begins in the Education and Faith Center, our preschool children's voices will fill the halls. These little ones attending The Saint Aloysius Catholic Preschool will experience their earliest encounters with faith, community, and learning in classrooms created especially for them. Bright, cheerful, and secure, the spaces were designed with their safety, joy, and growth in mind.

To make sure our youngest parishioners are cared for in body as well as spirit, the preschool classrooms include radiant heating beneath the floors. Even on the coldest mornings, our little ones will be able to play, pray, and learn in warmth and comfort. Every detail has been thoughtfully considered so the space feels like a second home for children and a place where parents can know they are safe and nurtured.

The mornings will be filled with energy, wonder, and joy: children listening to Bible stories for the first time, learning simple prayers. singing songs of praise, and making friends who will grow up alongside them in the parish. Teachers and catechists will have the space and resources they need to create an environment where faith is introduced not as an idea, but as a way of life.

In this way, the *Education and Faith Center* will embody its mission from the very start of the day: to be a home where faith is planted, nurtured, and allowed to grow. For our preschoolers, these first mornings will be the foundation of a lifetime of faith.

#### YOUR SUPPORT IS STILL NEEDED - NOW!

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Please contact Maria Molloy at mmolloy@starcc.com if you would like to make a gift, join a tour or have any questions.

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#### ~ Religious Education ~

#### Grades Pre-K to 6th

The Religious Education program for PreK to 6th grade kicks off THIS Sunday, September 14th. If your child is attending inperson for any of our classes, please check online for their exact start date. Emails with your child's assigned day and time were sent out the week of Aug 20th. If you have any questions please contact Danielle Sibilia at

<u>directorreligioused@starcc.com</u> or go to our website at <u>tinyurl.com/StARelEd</u>.

If you have not registered and interested in our program please contact Danielle Sibilia at the email above directly for guidance.

#### ~ Parish News ~



Mother Teresa's Closet IS OPEN, by appointment.

#### We're back and need your help to restock!

We are accepting gently-used clothing and linens.

To schedule an appointment between September 15 - 21, please contact Margot Murray at 3mchef@optonline.net or call 203-940-2266.



#### Our next Emmaus Teen Retreat is

#### November 7-9

Candidate application and team registration IS OPEN!
Visit https://starcc.com/emmaus-2/ for more information and links.

#### BE A TEEN CANDIDATE

Teens in grades 10-12 who have never attended an Emmaus will APPLY as Candidates ... Don't delay as there are limited candidate spots!

#### SERVE ON OUR TEAM

High school teens who have been candidates, college students and adults will register for the team by September 17, please. First team meeting is Sunday, September 21 at 2:45 pm.

Questions? Please contact the Rector/Rectora Jim & Megan Steele at saintaloysiusemmaus@gmail.com

#### ~ Youth Ministry ~



WHAT A GREAT KICK-OFF TO OUR 2025-2026
YOUTH MINISTRY YEAR!

If you missed joining us at our Kick-Off Mass and BBQ, please check out the YM Flyer/Fall Schedule AND our event photos at Youth – Saint Alovsius Parish: Welcome! – New Canaan

Fill out your Teen Interest Form at <a href="https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8461272/StAY-Teen-Interest-Form-2025-2026">https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8461272/StAY-Teen-Interest-Form-2025-2026</a>

#### START GETTING INVOLVED!

Malta House Volunteers Needed Sunday, September 14

Sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-58390257-malta

Saturday, September 27 - TWO Opportunities! Feed the Hungry at FOODSHARE

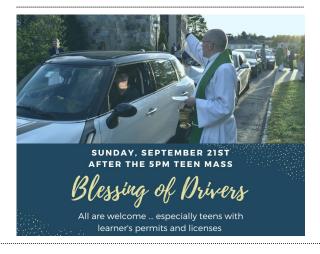
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Host our Friends with Special Needs at St. A's Buddies

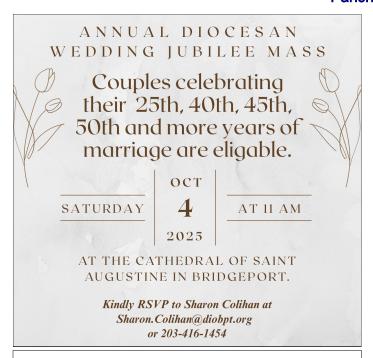
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Sunday, September 28 Host the Elderly of our Parish at Oktoberfest

Sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-58439924-oktoberfest



#### ~ Parish News ~



#### Catholic Parents Connect Love n' Care College Care Packages

Let your college or boarding school student know that their parish family misses them and is praying for them! We will gather on **Thursday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m.** in Stapleton Hall for our first care package stuffing event. Our program this year will include two care package mailings.

To register, please send a check for \$45 (made out to St. A's) and your college student's name/address to the attention of Chris Otis and sign up at

www.signupgenius.com (under the email youth@starcc.com) or by clicking or scanning the QR code to attend the event and donate items for the boxes.



# Misa en Español Sábado 27 de Septiembre a las 6:30 p.m.

Para más información póngase en contacto con el Padre Flavian - frflavian@starcc.com



Blood Pressure Screening
will take place in the Quiet Room
at the back of the church after
all Masses next weekend September 20th & 21st







#### ~ Parish News ~



#### MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Our next meeting is Tuesday evening, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Stapleton Hall.

All men in the parish are welcome.



- Not Catholic?
- Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?
- Perhaps you were baptized Catholic and have not received all the sacraments of initiation – Reconciliation, the Eucharist. Confirmation.

St Aloysius will begin a new journey in faith during the 3rd week of September to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family with those who are not Catholic or baptized Catholics who desire to complete the sacraments of initiation. We invite you to learn what our Church teaches in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the church.

These sessions are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant backgrounds and want to learn about our Catholic faith.

Please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at 203-940-0711 or santulliw@starcc.com if you have questions or would like further information.

Come Join the Journey with us!

#### ST. ALOYSIUS YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

MON 15 BIBLE STUDY ld by Kevin Brunner

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

40 Maple Street, New Canaan

MON ZZ BIBLE STUDY led by Fr. Flavian

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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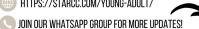
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**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** 

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. Aloysius Church



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#### ~ Faith Formation ~

# BIBLE STUDY

#### **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

St. A's Women's Bible Study 2025 - 2026

Meetings are Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. -11:45 a.m. Beginning Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> in Stapleton Hall Refreshments Included - All are invited!

#### Our Study this year is:

True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation

This study explores the saints, including St. Ignatius, St. Thomas More and St. Theresa of Avila, who led the Church's rebirth through the ashes of Renaissance decadence and the turbulence and confusion caused by the Protestant Reformation. We will discover how powerful - and beautiful - is the human heart's free response to God's generous grace.

Registration is required. We will be purchasing study materials in advance. True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation by Jerome K. Williams

Registration: https://forms.gle/zH9Y2gxqUWVVfYzq5 For more information: www.starcc.com/WBS Questions? Email the WBS Leadership Team at: wwpstaloysius@gmail.com

#### New Zoom Bible Study begins Sept. 15th

St. A's Zoom Bible Study meets Monday's 10-11:30 a.m.

Have you always wondered why there are two creation narratives at the beginning of the Bible? Did Methuselah really live 969 years?? Did Joseph forgive his brothers? When does Jesus quote Genesis?

Come and join us as we answer these and many questions about the first Book of the Bible! No registration necessary; just ioin us online with a Bible.

Go to <a href="https://tinyurl.com/StAsZoomBible">https://tinyurl.com/StAsZoomBible</a> for all the details



#### Saturday Morning Men's Fellowship & Bible Study

Saturday Morning Men's Fellowship and Bible Study has begun with the Letters of St. Paul.

Prayer and study begin at 8:30 a.m. and finishes by 10:00 a.m.

Doors open at 7:30 a.m. for light breakfast, coffee and fellowship for those up a little earlier.

We meet in the Maple Street Dining Room at the Parish Center. Enter at the Maple Street stairs. An email is sent weekly with the passages we will read.

For more info. contact Bob Mantilia at 203-414-1500 or Robert.R.Mantilia@gmail.com

#### ~ Parish & Other News ~

#### Invite Our Blessed Mother into YOUR Home

Our Lady appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. She asked them to tell the world to pray the Rosary for world peace. Her request is as important now as it was then. Twenty years ago, our beautiful statue of the Blessed Mother was brought back from Fatima to St. Aloysius and has been traveling to families in our parish since then. Those who have had the statue and prayed the rosary speak of the blessings received.



Rosary beads and instructions on how to say the Rosary accompany the statue. Please take the opportunity to introduce this beautiful devotion to your family. If you have any questions about the statue or how to say the Rosary or would like to reserve a time to have the statue, please call or email Sue Lione at

(203) 966-5961 or slione@optonline.net.



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Key note speaker:

Father Brian Gannon, Pastor & RA Monday, September 22, 2025 7PM St. Theresa Church

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