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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 23, 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

### **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> Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m. - Chapel. It will not take place on Friday, November 28th.

### **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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### ~ Mass Intentions ~

November 24, 2025 Monday -7:00 a.m. Michael McDonagh Kathleen Staudt Nickels 5:30 p.m. November 25, 2025 Tuesday -7:00 a.m. Beverly McGerald 5:30 p.m. Ann M. Kinnally November 26, 2025 Wednesday -7:00 a.m. Michael Wallace 5:30 p.m. Ted Rucci Thursday -November 27, 2025 (Thanksgiving Day) 7:00 a.m. Charles and Sandella Rossi V. Donald Hersam, Jr. 8:30 a.m. No evening Mass Friday -November 28, 2025 7:00 a.m. Vincent LeDonne St. Aloysius Parishioners 5:30 p.m. Maria Cianci November 29, 2025 Saturday -7:00 a.m. Patrick Grosso 5:00 p.m. Jane Ryan Sunday -November 30, 2025 7:00 a.m. Lou Carnesecca 8:30 a.m. Lucia Cusato Paud Galvin Michael McDonagh Giulietta Palladino Lenore Robinson John Concannon 10:00 a.m. Gene Tonkovich 11:30 a.m. Rosemary LoRusso Rose D'Alessando 5:00 p.m.

#### We Welcome Our Newly Baptized:

Cecelia Maria Aranguren Alice Jeanne Heafy

### Please Pray for the Deceased:

Robert J. Kamerschen Mary A, McCullough Caroline Kontis Schneider Anthony Sillo Carol Williams

### We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Madeline Fazio Morgan Family Motta 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, 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, Andee Gravereaux, 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, Father Paul Murphy, Melissa Murray, Diane Oberander, Chris O'Connor, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Beverly Peck, Theresa Petrucci, Lily Pickering, Janine Pickhardt, Austin Jack Pieck, Cathy McClane Quiaoit, Noah Quiaoit, Nora Radocea, Matthew Raymond, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Massimo Sciaretta, Karen Scigliano, Carol Selvin, Diane Silverio, Donna Silverio, Lynda Ann Slovik, Frank 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:

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; 2nd Lt. Jack Goetz; Senior Airman Chase Hyatt; SR Christopher Kouimanis; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; CPT Andrew Scott; E3 Peter Sloan USN; CPT Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko

### **SANCTUARY CANDLES**

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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

### ~ Parish News ~



### 🦰 <u>Words from Monsignor Rob Kinnally</u>

### Thanksgiving, Eucharist, and Christ the King

This weekend I offer a few words about Thanksgiving, the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, and the relationship of the two events to the Eucharist. The nation's observance of Thanksgiving provides an opportunity to reflect on the blessings God has given us. As the newcomers to America gave thanks for the new-found religious freedom, we pause from our labors to express our gratitude for what we have received from God.

The word "Eucharist" has its roots in Greek and it means "thanksgiving." It is the meal where we are drawn into the Paschal Mystery – the suffering, dying, and rising of Jesus. Around the table of the Eucharist, we are recalling - in fact re-living - Jesus' great sacrifice, and that is cause for giving thanks. It is at the Eucharist where our sins are forgiven. the gates of Heaven are opened and we are once again in awe of God's great love for us - that He would walk among us, heal, comfort, and provide everlasting life. When we contemplate Christ as "King of the Universe," we turn our hearts not to a king of pomp and circumstance, but to a humble servant who died like criminals died at the time. To celebrate Christ as "king" is to be thankful that God cared enough about us that he would humble Himself, pour out His life for our sake, and lovingly reign over our blessed lives.

When we gather around our Thanksgiving tables this week, we should make room at the table for Christ, allowing him to rule over the festivities of that day (and the challenges and joys of every day) and acknowledge that the blessings for which we are grateful come from Him.

At this time of giving thanks, I am grateful for what God is doing in our blessed parish, and grateful too for all of you who walk with Christ and one another each day. Your prayers, your time, and your gifts build up the body of Christ and help us to gather with joy and hope at the Eucharist and move toward the Heavenly Banquet. Thank you for everything.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Monsignor Rob



The Parish Offices will be closed starting Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.

As always, a priest will be available every day and night in case of emergencies.



### Matching Donor Challenge Update

We are making great progress with our *Matching Donor Challenge*. We are excited to share that the parish community has responded and is coming forward with generous support. We have secured **\$304,494** in gifts and 42 first-time pledges! We are deeply grateful to the many families who have made a gift or increased their commitment.

A reminder of how it works:

- If our parish raises \$500,000 in new gifts and pledges by the end of December...
- AND at least 50 new pledges are received from first-time campaign contributors...
- ...then the \$1 million Challenge Fund goal will be met, bringing our total impact to \$1.5 million!

The Education and Faith Center is designed to be a true parish home—a place where our youngest children will begin their faith journey, where nearly 800 students in our Religious Education program will gather each week, and where our ministries will have the spaces they need to flourish. This building will touch every corner of parish life.

Please contact Maria Molloy at if you would like to make a gift, join a tour of this

a	Matching Challenge Summary - As of 11.17.25			
	Fundraising Goal	\$500,000		
	Total Pledged	\$304,494	(61% of goal)	
7	First-Time Donor Goal	50		
Ś	First-Time Donors	42	(84% of goal)	
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wonderful facility, or have any questions. Click Here to Donate

DID YOU KNOW? You can make Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) from your IRA's Required Minimum Distributions—up to \$108,000 per person or \$216,000 per couple each year. These gifts don't count as income. Check with your financial advisor to see if this option is right for you.

### St. Aloysius Offertory

 Sunday, November 16, 2025
 \$17,089

 Online Giving for the week:
 5,845

 TOTAL OFFERTORY:
 \$22,934

LAST YEAR: \$20,599

The second collection this weekend is for the Fund for Retired Priests of the Diocese of Bridgeport

Thank you for your support!



### ~ Religious Education ~

### Confirmation







Over 200 were in attendance at our amazing Confirmation Retreat last weekend. Colleen Kelly Rayner shared the importance of falling in Love with Jesus and then doing something with that love to help others. The students had fun learning about building community and then prayed together during Adoration.

### ~ Parish News ~



Please note: The Saint Aloysius Church parking lot will soon be patrolled for parking violators.

Parishioners are always welcome to park in the lot while attending church activities such as Mass or Funeral attendance, Adoration or Religious Education.

Full-Day daily parkers are asked to use the Boxcar app and park in the designated spaces. Those who are not attending church activities or properly using Boxcar will be asked to move their vehicles. Thank you for your cooperation.





### SIP AND SHOP HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE FOR MALTA HOUSE





Our teen leaders are collecting the following items for their free holiday boutique for the Malta House moms! They are looking for new or gently-used items. Perhaps you have unused hostess gifts that you would be willing to share! The teens are looking for ...

Accessories (scarves, hats, gloves, costume jewelry, purses, wallets, new fuzzy socks),

Men's accessories (belts, socks, gloves, hats), Small Room Decor

(baskets, seasonal items, room sprays, candles), NEW Body Products (lotions, body sprays, bath salts).

Items can be dropped off in the bin by the garage at the Bell's House at 985 New Norwalk Rd now through December 11th.

### 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: b

### ~ Youth Ministry ~



In prayer, service and worship, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14

### Help Needed THIS Sunday, November 23 Love Your Neighbor Food Drive

We need high school teens to help the Knights of Columbus unload the food donations THIS Sunday at 1pm and 6pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Oenoke Ridge.

Sign up at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-60436833-copy

### Supper and S'mores with Mary - Teen Rosary Monday, November 24

Teens in Grades 7-12, come join us to pray for what you are thankful for in your life!

Sign up at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-60437719-supper

### NOT TO MISS CONCERT ON DECEMBER 10!



We are taking a group from St. A's! Tickets are \$50 and they are going fast now!

Sign up to secure your ticket at: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-59510167-matt

### ~ Parish News ~



Thank you for preparing Christmas for a Star family! Choose a star in the narthex.

Need gift suggestions (new items only)? Here are a few favorites: pajamas, coat, hat, gloves, scarf, socks, toy, game, book, toothbrush... There are usually a few items for each family member.



Please place wrapped & labeled gifts in a sturdy box, seal, and tape star to the outside.

Please bring your Christmas Star to Stapleton Hall and join us for a

STAR SOCIAL - Saturday, December 13, 4:00 - 7:00 PM or

COFFEE & DONUTS - Sunday, December 14, BEFORE 11 AM

#### To register your star or sign up to be a Starship Driver

Hold the camera of your phone up to this QR code & click the notification to go to the Google form.



For assistance contact: Liz & Hope liztamarkin@gmail.com 203-895-4994 or 203-918-1018







### Donate a frozen turkey, turkey breast or ham into the Turkey Truck THIS WEEKEND

All donations will be taken to St. Philips & St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantries in Norwalk by members of our Boy Scouts Troop #45 . The Turkey-Truck, courtesy of Karl Chevrolet, will be parked in front of the church from Sat, Nov. 22 at 11:00 a.m. until Monday, Nov. 24 at 9:00 a.m.

### Donate a bag of groceries to the Annual Love Your Neighbor Food Drive for the New Canaan Food Pantry THIS WEEKEND

The needed items grocery list is on the homepage of the parish website or Click Here. Please bring your donations to the Knights of Columbus trailer in the back parking lot before or after any Mass on Nov. 22-23.

### **FAMILY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

Those who signed up to make a Thanksgiving basket for a family can drop them in the UHaul Truck in the parking lot on Sunday, November 24 before or after all of the Masses.

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, December 3<sup>nd</sup> at 7:15 p.m. in the Maple Street Room (at 40 Maple Street).





# Advent by Candlelight Wednesday, December 3rd 6:45 p.m. in Stapleton Hall

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### The St. Aloysius Parish Confirmation class presents:

### The Living Nativity

Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> Performances at 6:00 pm, 6:30 pm & 7:00 pm

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At times we can experience significant difficulties leaving us feeling isolated and alone. If you, or someone you know, is experiencing a difficult life situation such as: the loss of a loved one, a medical crisis, long-term illness or disability, divorce, family separation, or the loss of a job – please consider

reaching out to a Stephen Minister.

If you, or someone you know, might benefit from speaking with a Stephen Minister, or to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Msgr. Rob at <a href="mailto:frrob@starcc.com">frrob@starcc.com</a>.

### ~ Parish News ~





Music Notes - The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Dr. John Michniewicz



- Christ the King Sunday, established by Pius XI in 1925 and moved to the final Sunday of the liturgical year by Paul VI, proclaims Christ's universal sovereignty.
- The readings highlight Christ's kingship through David's foreshadowing (2 Sam 5:1–3), his dominion (Col 1:12–20), and his reign from the cross (Lk 23:35–43).
- The entrance hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign" (W-569), celebrates Christ's everlasting rule.
- Communion music echoes the theme "Worthy is the Lamb," including "I Will Exalt My God and King" (Ps 145) and Dan Forrest's "To the Lamb on the Throne." The closing hymn, "To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King" (W-570), affirms Christ's victory and lordship.



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### FRIENDSGIVING

What a wonderful intergenerational gathering! Thank you to the teens from Emmaus for hosting.













Watch the bulletin for more opportunities for our "young at heart" seniors to get together! If you have ideas, please reach out to Caroline Greisen at carolinegreisen7@gmail.com or Angel Bodine at angelbodine63@gmail.com who will be planning events!

### The Christmas Giving Box

The Christmas Giving Box is located on a column in the narthex of the church. Donations are collected to help those in need in our community. Please write a check, payable to "Saint Aloysius Church" and note the words "Giving Box" in the memo.



Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.

### ~ Faith Formation ~

## - event schedule-

ST. ALOYSIUS YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

MON **24** 

ADORATION & FRIENDSGIVING

6:30 pm St. Aloysius Church



### Women's Bible Study 2025-26

Tuesdays from 9:30 -11:45 a.m. 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. Registration is required so we can purchase your book.

Registration: <a href="https://forms.gle/zH9Y2qxqUWVVfYzq5">https://forms.gle/zH9Y2qxqUWVVfYzq5</a>
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### **Zoom Bible Study**

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

Come and join us as we answer these and many questions about the first Book of the Bible! No need to register, just grab your Bible and join us online.

Go to https://tinyurl.com/StAsZoomBible for all the details



Men's Bible Study & Fellowship Saturday Mornings 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning Men's Fellowship and Bible Study is studying the Letters of St. Paul.

We meet in the Maple Street Dining Room of the Parish Center. Doors open at 7:30 for a light breakfast, coffee and fellowship. Enter at the Maple Street stairs. For more info. contact Bob Mantilia at 203-414-1500 or Robert.R.Mantilia@gmail.com

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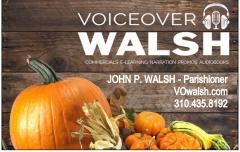
To schedule an appointment between November 24 - 30 please contact Debby McIntosh at deborah3868@yahoo.com or call 203-554-8572.



### Eucharistic Adoration

Will not take place on Friday, November 28th. We invite people to come back to Adoration on Friday, December 5th







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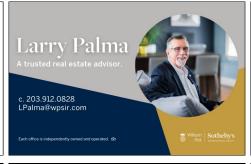
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