Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840 203-966-0020/www.starcc.com Handicap Accessible August 6, 2017 The Transfiguration of the Lord

PILGRIMAGE

to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC

September 23, 2017

An Invitation from Bishop Frank Caggiano

One hundred years ago, Our Lady appeared to three young people in Fatima, Portugal asking them to pray. For several weeks, I have been inviting you to pray with me as part of *The Face* of *Prayer* campaign. I now invite you to join me for a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, where we will dedicate a shrine to her honor in the name of all young people.

All are welcome to join me on this special day. Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica at 2 PM, followed by a procession and the dedication.

Spend the day with

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: Vigil for Sunday 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Teen Mass)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday: 7:00 a.m. and 5:30p.m. Saturday: 7:00 a.m.

For those who are homebound and unable to join us here at St. Aloysius, the celebration of the Eucharist is available daily at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Cablevision Channel 137.

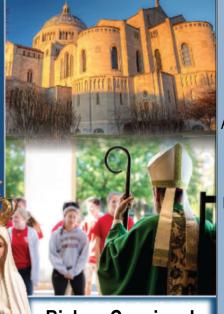
RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

First Friday of the month one-half hour prior to each Mass or always by appointment with a priest.

PRIESTS/CLERGY

Rev. Robert M. Kinnally, Pastor (*frrob@starcc.com*) Rev. Cyrus M. Bartolome, Parochial Vicar (*frcyrus@starcc.com*) Rev. Ignacio Ortigas, Parochial Vicar (*frignacio@starcc.com*) Rev. Robert Uzzilio, In Residence Deacon Stephen W. Pond (*spond@starcc.com*) Deacon William A. Santulli (*deaconbill@starcc.com*)



Bishop Caggiano!

RCIA

St. Aloysius parishioners of all ages, we invite you to be a part of our St. A's contingent!

Pilgrimage Schedule for the day

1:00 pm Tours of the Shrine (available upon request)
2:00 pm Mass
3:15 pm Procession
3:45 pm Blessing of Shrine
4:30 pm Dinner on your own
6:00 pm Departure

Additional details about the pilgrimage can be found at www.thefaceofprayer.com, by emailing institute@diobpt.org or calling 203-416-1670

If you are planning to attend and might be interested in the one-day trip on a St. Aloysius Parish bus, please e-mail the Parish Administrator John Palma at jpalma@starcc.com.

Parents and their children, are especially encouraged to make this a family pilgrimage!



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you have been coming to Mass for a while, but not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you.

Our parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment, and to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the church.

These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds.

Please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at <u>203 940-0711</u> or <u>DeaconBill@starcc.com</u> if you have questions or need further information.



St. Aloysius, our parish patron, helping a victim of the plague.

PARISH OFFICE

40 Maple Street, New Canaan CT 06840 Phone: (203) 966-0020 Fax: (203) 972-7691

PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 8:30AM-1:00PM

A priest is always available in an emergency. Call (203) 966-0020

PARISH WEBSITE

www.starcc.com

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Phone: (203) 652-1154 Chris Otis, Director Email - <u>youth@starcc.com</u>

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MAINTENANCE

Willie Roeder

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Shannon Goetz, Chair Email: office@starcc.com

ST. ALOYSIUS MISSION STATEMENT:

We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ striving to proclaim the Gospel in word and in deed. Through worship, evangelization, formation and service we invite our brothers and sisters to know the Lord. Let us all strive to live out our mission each and every day!

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

BAPTISM:

Celebrated each Sunday at 12:45 pm. Preparation for parents is held the 2nd Monday of each month at 8 pm in the Maple Street Meeting Room. To schedule a Baptism and register for the class, please call the Parish Office. Please note that Godparents must demonstrate regular Mass attendance, be at least 16 years of age and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

MARRIAGE: Call the Parish Office at least nine months prior to the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

If someone is ill at home or in the hospital, please call the parish office to arrange for Communion and administration of the Sacrament of the Sick. Our Parish Partners Ministry can also visit with those that are homebound. Contact Carrie Sindelar at jsindela@yahoo.com to arrange for a member of the ministry to visit.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Eileen Apy Karen Bicknese Gladys Borodich Catherine Buonaiuto Addison Jane Carestia Claire Carter Jean Cerbine Pamela Chatterton-Purdy Mark Chellgren Pat (Pasquale) Conte Tony Cantone Fr. William Carey Anthony DeFeo Deirdre Desmond Sandy DiGilio Frank DiMuzio Jean DiPanni Kathleen Dooley Daniel Fitzgerald Tommy FitzPatrick Ryan Fitzpatrick Paula Lynn Fuegner

Judy Garcia Garo Garabedian Maureen Gartlan Angelo Gesualdi Carol Gianattasio Dolores Haas Joan Harmody James Heffner Jeanne Hersam Carol Hollister Cecile Howard JoAnn Karagianes Mary Katawa Father Bernie Keefe Joan Kellv Carol King Christopher Kotos Marv Maher Fanny Mao Donald McQuid Jon Morrison Louis G. Nappi Patrick O'Kane

Harrison Perlev Dorothy Poiasek Iracema Galvani Quinete Barton Rappaport Pete Roux David Ruksznis Paul Ruddy Maria Cielo Sanchez Shirley Sapione John Silk Ali Simon Lynda Ann Slovik Georgia Sweeney Samantha Sweeney Szenasi Family Christopher Tarzia, Jr. Joan Toppin Anna Totaro Rita Troshynski Kathleen Turpin Ryan Joseph Willen Salvatore Giovanni Zucaro And the sick and suffering known only to God.

Please pray for those

serving in the military:

SSG Thomas Aldrich; CPT. Elizabeth A. Condon; Cadet Pau

CPT. Elizabeth A. Condon; Cadet Paul Corapi; 2nd Lt. Kevin C. Dwyer; CPT. Michael Howard; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; Jason Trischitta C3C; USAFA SSG Steven Vasko; LCpl Patrick Joseph Hussey;

ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL

A diocesan school offering academic and values-based education for children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade. 33 South Avenue Phone: 203-966-0786 Website: www.sasncct.org

Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 7

- 7:00 Marie Aldrich
 - 5:30 Saint Aloysius Parishioners that died in July

Tuesday, August 8

7:00	Mark Ayers
5:30	Angelina DiFeo

Wednesday, August 9

7:00	Przemyslaw Walesa
5:30	Honey Solterer

Thursday, August 10

7:00	Celine Berliet
5:30	Mary and Thomas Mazzella and family

Friday, August 11

7:00 Rosalie Cleary5:30 Sarah, Brayden and Easton Gray (L)

Saturday, August 12

- 7:00 Rafael Segura
- 5:30 Lorenzo Palladino

Sunday, August 13

7:00	Walter DeTour
8:30	Raffaele and Maria Assunta Palladino
10:00	Luigi DiMuzio
11:30	Saint Aloysius Parishioners
5:00	Joan Mahoney

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 8/4-8/10/17

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for Father Angelo Arrando (L) The Mary Sanctuary candle for Saint Aloysius Parishioners The Chapel candle for Rose Carrington

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Parishioner:

Lilah Joy Martin

We Welcome our New Parishioners: Gail Fornell, Rolf de Thouars and Family Sciarretta Family

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

SUNDAY, July 30, 2017: \$14,765 Online giving for the week: \$3,790 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$18,555 LAST YEAR: \$18,124

Words from Father Rob Kinnally

The Saint Aloysius Pastoral Council and New Ministries

I am hopeful that a good number of you have been thinking and praying about becoming part of our new pastoral council. In mid-July I outlined the structure of the council meetings and the process for selection. Here's a quick review:

Members of the council are asked to attend all meetings. The first meeting will be Saturday, October 14, 2017 and the second meeting will take place on Saturday, January 6, 2018. The third meeting date will be determined in October after consultation with the new council.

Serving as a member of the council requires a commitment to daily prayer for fellow council members and the parish. It also means frequent reflection on parish life framed by the two-part question "How is Saint Aloysius parish experiencing Christ and what could we be doing to draw us closer to God and one another?" The thoughtful and prayerful response to that question will inform our discussion as a council and bring us closer to where God wants us to be. Listening to other parishioners between council meetings is another key responsibility. Active listening and receiving observations, ideas, and questions with patience and openness will help to shape the work of the council.

If you believe that you can make that commitment of time, prayer, and listening (and if you are willing to forego any agenda but God's) then I encourage you to place your name in the basket that will be on the steps of the sanctuary beginning on the Feast of the Assumption (August 15). Please don't place any other name than your own; the process is about your personal discernment regarding service on the council. Names can be placed in the basket until September 8 (the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary). On Sunday, September 10th, I will draw twelve names from the basket and those parishioners will be the members of the Saint Aloysius Pastoral Council. I have had some great conversations with many who are considering placing their name for consideration, and I am grateful for the prayer and thinking that have gone into this!

One more thing: I am very excited about the new ministries that we will be launching in the Fall and the events that we will celebrate together. Here's a quick preview: Married Couples Ministry, "Food and Faith" Dinner Groups, Parish Welcome Ministry, Ministry to Divorced and Separated. Save the Date for our Fall "Homecoming" Celebration – October 7 beginning with the 5:30 PM Mass! Enjoy your summer. God bless you!

Father Rob

Mother Teresa's Closet is closed until September 5. When we re-open, we welcome fall and winter gently used clothing for men, women and children with a real need for infant and toddler items. Anyone who made a donation to Mother Teresa's Closet the evening of Friday June 9th or anytime Saturday, June 10th, please contact Mary Ward at <u>203-966-2529</u> or email mbwcdw@optonline.net.

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Religious Education

Grades 1-6:

The Religious Education Office reopens on Monday, August 14.

We continue to answer e-mails and voice mail periodically.

All general information regarding registration for 2017-2018 can be found on our parish website at www.starcc.com.

All those who pre-registered before June 21 will be receiving an e-mail from us the week of August 7. This e-mail will provide a link for sign-up genius which will be activated on August 22 beginning at 6 a.m. It is here you will select the day you wish your child to attend Religious Education classes. All those who registered after June 21 will be able to make a selection on August 29. Please contact the office with any questions or concerns.



All 8th grade Confirmation Students are invited to attend Fan the Fire Youth Rally on August 19th. We will be going with the high school kids and StAY, our parish's youth ministry. This will be a really fun, inspirational day. Please see your email for more information. If you did not receive an email, please contact Marie Osterndorf at confirmation@starcc.com. Sign up to go to Fan the Fire at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign up under the email youth@starcc.com. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com

In mid-August we will start assembling our Level 1 Confirmation Classes. All those who have registered will receive an email ascertaining your child's availably to attend class on specific day/time. If you have not submitted your family's registration forms, please do so ASAP.



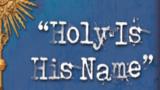
Some of our college students brought backpacks and supplies and filled the backpacks for the graduates of the Catholic Charities preschool at All Saints School. After having dinner and fellowship, they

wrote notes to the rising kindergarteners, filled the backpacks and recent college Fairfield University graduate seminarian André Escaleira gave the students advice on practicing their faith in college.



High School Teens in Fellowship, Prayer, Service and Worship!

Sign up at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign ups under youth@starcc.com



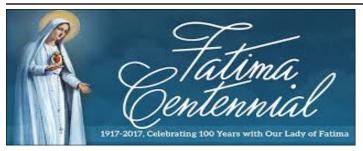
Youth Rally

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 - 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM



This event is open to 8th graders, high school students and graduated seniors. This year, Fan the Fire includes a service component, facilitated by the Catholic Service Corps, so this year we need ALL HANDS ON DECK! We ask that you sign up at www.signupgenius.com. Once you sign up, you will be sent an email with a link to fill out your permission slip and make your registration payment. Adult virtus trained chaperones/drivers needed, please contact Chris Otis to help.

The Transfiguration of the Lord



During the third apparition on July 13, 1917, Our Lady revealed that she would come to ask for the Reparation of the Five First Saturdays. Consequently, Lucia later received a vision on December 10, 1925 where the Blessed Mother appeared alongside a Boy who stood over a luminous cloud. Our Lady rested one hand on the Boy's shoulder while she held in the other hand a heart pierced with thorns around it. Sister Lucia heard the Boy say, "Have pity on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother which is covered with thorns with which ingrate men pierce it at every moment with no one to make an act of reparation to pull them out."

Our Lady expressed her request in the following words, "See, my daughter, My Heart surrounded with thorns with which ingrates pierce me at every moment with blasphemies and ingratitude. You, at least, make sure to console me and announce that all those who for five months, on the first Saturdays, go to confession, receive Communion, say five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for 15 minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the purpose of making reparation to Me, I promise to assist them at the hour of death with all the graces necessary for the salvation of their souls."

Why Five Saturdays? Sister Lucia's confessor questioned her about the reason for the five Saturdays, asking why not seven or nine. She answered him with the reasons Our Lord gave.

The five first Saturdays correspond to the five kinds of offenses and blasphemies committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Blasphemies against the Immaculate Conception

 Blasphemies against her virginity

 Blasphemies against her divine maternity, at the same time the refusal to accept her as the Mother of all men

 Instilling, indifference, scorn and even hatred towards this Immaculate Mother in the hearts of children

 Direct insults against Her sacred images

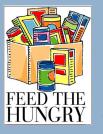
On the First Saturday during 5 Consecutive Months, the Devotion consists of:

Going to Confession, Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion, Saying five decades of the Rosary, Meditating for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary. All this offered in REPARATION for the sins of blasphemy and ingratitude committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tues., Aug 8:9:00 AM WWP Rosary Open to All/ChapelSat., Aug 12:7:30 AM: Men's Fellowship/Maple Street

Our FOOD COLLECTION through the end of August will be taken to *Catholic Charities Thomas Merton Food Pantry* in Bridgeport. This is where our high school teens often serve! At this time, they are hoping we can help them replenish their supplies of . . .



Tuna, low sodium soups, jelly, mayo, mustard, salad dressing, catsup, sugar and crackers.

Donations can be placed in the back entrance of the church on the left hand side of the chapel.

Please put these items on your shopping list this week!

We thank you for your Corporal Work of Mercy in helping to feed our hungry brothers and sisters!

Men's Night of Reflection St Gabriel Church, Stamford Wednesday, Aug 23, 7PM

Please join us to hear Fr. Jason Smith, LC present "Walking with the Saints in Today's World" This Men's Night is brought to you by the Knights of Columbus Fr. Miller Council #5833. Contact Bill Nagle with any questions. M: 203-570-2593, email: billnagle@hotmail.com

Overdose Awareness Day

Parents and young people in recovery will share their experiences of struggle & hope. Music by Quiet Giant and guitarist Tom Larsen.

The night will conclude with a candlelight vigil presided by a multi-faith partnership of clergy, including Father Rob!

St. A's will be supporting this event, so parishioners of all ages are invited to join and pay tribute to and honor those who died too soon.



HELPING EACH OTHER TO HEAL

Thursday, August 31 • 7PM Rain Date: Friday September 1

New Canaan Pop-Up Park South Avenue and Elm Street



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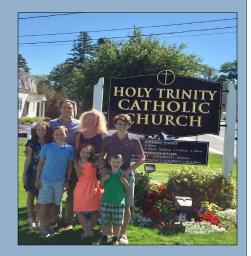
Our faith doesn't take a vacation!



The O'Neill Family visited Our Lady of the Cape in Brewster, MA.



Barrie and Ralph Gonzalez attended Mass at the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady in Warsaw, Poland.



The Ratner family celebrated the Eucharist at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Harwichport, MA.

Going away this summer? Don't miss out on receiving Jesus in the Eucharist! Find a Catholic Mass anywhere in the world at www.masstimes.org! When you visit a church on vacation this summer, take a picture of your family and email it to bulletin@starcc.com.

