



SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 4, 2018

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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/Wednesday/Friday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
& 5:30 p.m.**

Tuesday/Thursday: 7:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.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 a.m. & 12:30 p.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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

First Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Go to www.starcc.com to sign up.

PRIESTS & DEACONS

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A priest is always available in an emergency.

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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!

~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday - February 5, 2018

7:00 a.m. Maureen Corrigan (Living).

9:00 a.m. Vittorio Baldi

5:30 p.m. Carole Dawson (Living)

Tuesday - February 6, 2018

7:00 a.m. Rebecca & Philomena Gere

5:30 p.m. Carole Dawson (Living)

Wednesday - February 7, 2018

7:00 a.m. Richard Seltzer

9:00 a.m. Margaret Colotta Pappas

5:30 p.m. Carole Dawson (Living)

Thursday - February 8, 2018

7:00 a.m. Peter McGlade

5:30 p.m. Anne Hieronymus

Friday - February 9, 2018

7:00 a.m. Gary Garrison

9:00 a.m. Hernan Bohorquez

5:30 p.m. Patricia Huffman

Saturday - February 10, 2018

7:00 a.m. Jango Joseph Seervai

5:30 p.m. Thomas I. O'Brien

Sunday - February 11, 2018

7:00 a.m. Eda Zuecca & Angela Zuecca

8:30 a.m. Concetta & Joseph DiBarnaba

10:00 a.m. Paul Kerin

11:30 a.m. Tony Pappas

5:00 p.m. Maria Conte



~ Please Pray For ~

Please keep in prayer our sisters and brothers who are named below, and kindly inform the parish office of others that should be added to the prayer list.

Eileen Apy, Gladys Borodich, Catherine Buonaiuto, Tony Cantone, Addison Jane Carestia, Fr. William Carey, Claire Carter, Jean Cerbini, Pamela Chatterton-Purdy, Pat (Pasquale) Conte, Lucia Cusato, Dorothy DeEttore, Anthony DeFeo, Deirdre Desmond, Sandy DiGilio, Frank DiMuzio, Jean DiPanni, Kathleen Dooley, Monique Elliot, Daniel Fitzgerald, Tommy FitzPatrick, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Paula Lynn Fuegner, Judy Garcia, Garo Garabedian, Angelo Gesualdi, Carol Gianattasio, Elizabeth Grottola, Kathy Grove, Dolores Haas, Joan Harmody, James Heffner, Jeanne Hersam, Carol Hollister, Cecile Howard, JoAnn Karagianes, Mary Katawa, Father Bernie Keefe, Joan Kelly, Carol King, Christopher Kotos, Mary Maher, Joellen Malmquist, Fanny Mao, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Julie Natalie Mulhern, Louis G. Nappi, Patrick O'Kane, Patrick Pantalone, Harrison Perley, Dorothy Pojasek, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Barton Rappaport, Pete Roux, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Shirley Sapione, Viola Sharpe, Ali Simon, Lynda Ann Slovik, Joseph Squeglia, Jr., Walter Sramowicz, Georgia Sweeney, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia, Jr., Joan Toppin, Anna Totaro, Rita Troshynski, Kathleen Turpin, Ryan Joseph Willen, Alex Wood

Please pray for those serving in the military: SSG Thomas Aldrich; CPT. Elizabeth A. Condon; Cadet Paul Corapi; 2nd Lt. Kevin C. Dwyer; CPT. Michael Howard; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; CIC Jason Trischitta USAFA; USAFA SSG Steven Vasko; Cpl Patrick Joseph Hussey; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; L.Cpl. Jacob B. Ready; 1st Lt. Brian Gerardi

SANCTUARY CANDLES

**burn from
2/2/18 - 2/8/18**

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for

Joseph DiBarnaba

The Mary Sanctuary candle for

Connie Bergeron

The Chapel candle for

Jack Engel



SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH**BAPTISM:**

Celebrated each Sunday at 12:45 p.m. Preparation for parents is held the 2nd Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. 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 them.

ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL

A diocesan school offering academic and values-based education for children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade. Phone: 203-966-0786 Website: www.sasncct.org
Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish

TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

SUNDAY, January 28, 2018: \$20,480

Online Giving for the week: \$1,665

TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$22,145

LAST YEAR: \$23,122

Second Collection - Church in Latin America: \$6,142

Reminder: Submissions to the bulletin are due each week before Tuesday at 12:00 noon. All submissions should be sent to bulletin@starcc.com. Thank you!

**Words from Father Rob Kinnally****Everyone is Looking for You!**

"Rising very early before dawn, [Jesus] left and went off to a deserted place where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, 'Everyone is looking for you.'"

In all of the Gospels, it seems like Jesus can't get any "down time." Every time he is at a wedding or at the home of friends, he winds up working. At the wedding at Cana, his celebration is interrupted so he can perform his first public miracle - turning water into choice wine. While on a boat ride with his disciples, his sleep is cut short so he can calm the sea and allay the fears of his fretting friends. At the home of Martha and Mary, the dinner and conversation are delayed so he can teach a lesson about choosing "the better part" (i.e., being attentive to Jesus and not being "anxious about many things"). Poor Jesus - he just doesn't get a break. Or does he? How many times have we heard someone say, "Glad you're back — so and so was looking for you." Many of you hear the familiar "Mom/Dad/Honey/Dear can you come here?!!" proclaimed the second you step away for "just a moment."

Jesus knows that in order for his ministry to be completely effective, he needs time away to pray. Those who seek him need healing, freedom from burdens, good counsel, and his uncompromised presence. In order to be truly present and effective, he needs prayer to restore the energy it takes to be "all things to all" (see St. Paul's letter in today's second reading). Away from the crowd and focused on his God-the-Father time, Jesus gets what he needs to return from the desert or come down from the mountain truly ready to minister to those who are waiting.

I'm writing this column at the end of my day off. I needed the entire day to rest, pray, and think before I set about writing. I am trying to be better about taking my days off and dedicating larger blocks of time to prayer. It makes a difference in the way I minister. All of us need that time away in prayer and in God's loving presence. And it's closer than the nearest desert: it can be a brisk or leisurely walk, a blanket on a deserted stretch of beach, a comfortable chair by the fireplace, a few deep breaths with eyes closed at the desk. If Jesus thinks it's important to step away and pray before HE takes care of everyone else, then we should think it's important to do the same before WE try to do anything for those who need us. I like what Saint Ignatius of Loyola says about all of this: "Work as if everything depends on you. Pray as if everything depends on God."

Let's pray for one another.
Father Rob

We Welcome our New Parishioners:

Alvarez Family, Sillo Family, Hoffman Family, Izzo Family

We Welcome our Newly Baptized:

Zoe Mae Barry

Marriage Banns:

Bann III: Samantha Jo Iarusso and Alexander Robert Baldanza



~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6:

Classes follow the regular schedule this week.

PLEASE NOTE:

2nd graders: Sunday, February 4th 10:00 a.m. Mass
Instructional Mass, Part 2.
Sunday, February 11th 10:00 a.m. Mass
Instructional Mass, Part 3

Look forward to seeing all of our 2nd grade families. This is an important part of your sacramental preparation for First Holy Communion. Sign in located at back of church.

3rd graders: Those who attend SUNDAY third grade ONLY: You are asked to come to the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 11th with your family and then meet Mrs. Redman in the back of the church for a church tour immediately following Mass. Attendance will be noted. THIS TAKES THE PLACE OF YOUR REGULAR 8:45 a.m. CLASS.

6th graders: Please come to our next review session on Thursday, February 8th at 4:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. This is optional but we encourage all 6th graders in Family Faith Formation to attend in preparation for the next survey. LOOKING AHEAD:

Tuesday, February 13th - Parish Pancake Supper 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the St. Aloysius School Gym. We will be ready to serve up pancakes following class! Bring the entire family! No presentations or speeches. Come for supper and pick up some Lenten resources.

Wednesday, February 14th - Ash Wednesday
Friday, Feb. 16th - Sunday, Feb. 25th - New Canaan Public School Winter Break. No Religious Education classes during this time.

Confirmation: Level 2

Confirmation Students, please make sure you turn in both your letter to Father Rob requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation, or request an interview with a Priest, and your Service Log to your catechist at your next class. You can also give it to Mrs. Osterndorf at the church office, 40 Maple Street. These items were due on February 1st. If you have any questions, please contact the office at Confirmation@starcc.com.

Level 1

All Level 1 students please continue working on your service logs. They are due to your Catechist by your last class.



Thank you to some of our Confirmation students for being the hands and feet of Jesus and feeding the hungry at the New Covenant Center last week!

~ Youth Ministry ~



High School Teens in Fellowship, Prayer, Service and Worship!
Sign up at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign ups under youth@starcc.com

Teen Dinner n'Adoration - Wednesday, February 7th

High school teens are invited to the Youth Room at 7pm for dinner and fellowship, followed by a teen-friendly Holy Hour in the church where they can spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament guided in prayer, reflection and inspiring music.



Visit to Thorpe Family Residence - Saturday, February 10th

High school teens needed to travel to the Bronx to share our love with the children of Thorpe with Valentines Day activities. We will meet in the Youth Room at 12:30 p.m. and be back in New Canaan about 4:30 p.m.

Wake Up & Witness - Ash Wednesday Prayer Service Wednesday, February 14th at 6:30 a.m. in the church

We invite our high school teens to attend a special prayer service with distribution of ashes in the CHURCH! Breakfast bags will be distributed tailgate-style. You will be on your way by 7:00 a.m. in time for the start of school. We need VIRTUS-trained adults to help make the breakfast! So . . . WAKE UP and start this Lenten season by giving witness to the Catholic faith and all that you believe! In the past, we had 100 high school teens that attended and went off to their schools with the outward sign of our faith on their forehead. Let's do it again!

Emmaus 75 - March 2nd - 4th

Candidate application and team registration is coming to a close! Sophomore through senior teens who have not yet been a candidate on an Emmaus retreat are invited to apply to join us for a weekend of vibrantly enriching faith and personal discovery. Candidate application and team registration for teens/adults can be done online at <http://staemmaus.org/>. Candidates will be advised of their acceptance mid-February. Team meetings will be held on Sundays, February 4th, 11th, and 25th at 2:30 p.m. in Stapleton Hall.



Over 50 teens in 7th-12th grades gathered to pray the rosary. Our next Teen Rosary will be March 28 in preparation for Easter.

~ Parish News ~



Join together with your parish family for one last celebration before we enter the season of Lent.

SAVE THE DATE!

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th
Serving from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
\$2.00/per person

Watch for more details in the bulletin!
Families especially urged to attend

Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0844a8ae29a4f49-mardi>



This Lent,
Step into the breach. Join us in battle.

We invite all Men to join us at St. Aloysius Church to explore the role of Catholic Men in today's world. Our three meetings will discuss the ways Men love; as Fathers, Brothers, and Husbands - and the responsibility of each Catholic Man to honor this three-part calling in his daily actions. Make a decision this Lent and join us to form a Band of Brothers united in a Call to Battle, which honors authentic Catholic Masculinity.

Who: Men of all ages who feel called to be better Fathers, Husbands, Sons, or Brothers

When: 7:30 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
Wednesday March 7
Thursday March 15
Thursday March 22

Action: online sign up, <http://tiny.cc/SignUp2018>

Our gatherings will be spiritually guided by Fr. Ignacio and the agenda formed from the concepts presented in the Apostolic Exhortation titled "Into the Breach" <https://intothebreach.org/>. Read more about this new group on our parish blog page: <https://www.starcc.com/blog/Parish-News--Events>



Visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/StAloysiusNC/>
and Instagram [@StAloysiusnc](https://www.instagram.com/StAloysiusnc)



Mother Teresa

Never Too Young to Serve
This Sunday, February 4th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass
St. Aloysius School Gym
Coffee, juice and donuts will be served immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Young disciples and their parents are invited to participate in Christian service to children who are in the hospital. We will be making Valentines and assembling craft kits. Sign up at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign up under "youth@starcc.com."



Couples Ministry
AKA Catholic Date Night
February 8, 2018

"How has time, culture, and faith shaped our marriage?"

Join us for
The Newlywed and not so Newlywed game night.

Registration is required so we can provide enough food and drink. We use Sign Up Genius and there is a link through our website. We ask that you register by the Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. just prior to our Thursday meeting.

5:30: Mass - Come if you can.

6:00: Social Hour in Stapleton Hall.

6:45: Buffet dinner served.

7:00: Program while we dine with discussion following.

We hope you will consider joining us. Come once...come every month! All are welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION **St. Aloysius Chapel**



Fridays 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

First Fridays 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

St. Aloysius Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration is a special time of visiting Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. In our noisy world, Adoration enables one to discover the silent, loving presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

VOLUNTEERS ARE APPRECIATED- If you can commit to 30 minutes or more any Friday please call Gretchen 203-247-2739, email ggersen@mac.com, or use the link provided on the website.

~ Parish and Other News ~



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

Let your college student know that their parish family misses them and is praying for them! We will gather on Monday, February 5th at 7:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. If you did not participate in the fall and would like to register your college student for this mailing, please send a check for \$15 (made out to St. A's) and your college student's name to the attention of Chris Otis and sign up at www.signupgenius.com (under youth@starcc.com) to attend the event and donate an item for the boxes!



World Day of Prayer for the Sick



All, especially the sick, the handicapped
and the frail

are invited to celebrate
**the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and
World Day of Prayer for the Sick.**

Mass will be celebrated
and the Sacrament of the Sick offered.

Refreshments will follow.

Saturday, February 10, 2018

Welcome will begin at 2:30 p.m.

Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 p.m. at
St. Aloysius Church, Cherry Street, New Canaan

Sponsored by the Order of Malta in CT and
Westchester

Our Lady's Guild recently gathered to honor Our Lady Queen of Peace. They attended Mass followed by the Rosary. A movie, discussion and light refreshments were served.



We will welcome all Pack 70 Cub Scouts who are working on their religious emblems and will hold an in-person Catholic Religious Emblem check-in at the at 10:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, February 4th. This day also happens to be Scout Sunday. Following Mass, they will enjoy light refreshments in Stapleton Hall.

A Men's Night of Reflection

Will be held at St. Bridget Church in Stamford on Tuesday, Feb 6th at 7:00 p.m. Men, please join us to hear Fr. Ed McAuley present a Lenten inspiration – “*Return to me with your whole heart*”. 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



Walking With Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible Study offered in our parish Tuesday mornings from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. We are seeking a Child Care Coordinator to

help with setup and cleanup, Bible story time, snacks, and indoor play. This will help build our Child Care Coordinator Ministry to make our program more accessible to mothers at home with young children.

For more information about these paid, independent contractor opportunities please email us for immediate consideration at: wwpstalloysius@gmail.com.