



SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840
The Epiphany of the Lord - January 7, 2018
203-966-0020 www.starcc.com  **Handicap Accessible**

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.

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 - January 8, 2018

7:00 a.m. Tina Kuchma
9:00 a.m. Romolo Pro시오
5:30 p.m. Thomas I. O'Brien

Tuesday - January 9, 2018

7:00 a.m. John Cook
5:30 pm. James Doran

Wednesday - January 10, 2018

7:00 a.m. Joan Gleason
9:00 a.m. James French Sr.
5:30 p.m. Catherine & Thomas Santoro

Thursday - January 11, 2018

7:00 a.m. Emil Aysseh
5:30 p.m. Rafael Segura

Friday - January 12, 2018

7:00 a.m. John D. Collins
9:00 a.m. Frederick G. Nutting
5:30 p.m. William Leet

Saturday - January 13, 2018

7:00 a.m. Frank Doelger
5:30 p.m. Patricia A. Amann

Sunday - January 14, 2018

7:00 a.m. Frank Doelger
8:30 a.m. Marie G. Bartolutti
10:00 a.m. Concetta Umbriaco
11:30 a.m. Margaret Staudt
5:00 p.m. Jack Scott



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~ 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, 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, Lori Paladino, Patrick Pantalone, Harrison Perley, Dorothy Pojasek, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Barton Rappaport, Pete Roux, Paul Ruddy, 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, Thomas Vitale, 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

1/5/18 - 1/11/18

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for

Jack Engel

The Mary Sanctuary candle for

Connie Bergeron

The Chapel candle for

The Victims of Sandy Hook



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.sasncc.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, December 31, 2017: \$15,467

Online Giving for the week: \$8,700

TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$24,167

LAST YEAR: \$18,527

New Online Donation System. PLEASE NOTE: Anyone that has a recurring donation set up, (weekly, monthly etc.), will need to **re-input** their credit card or banking information into the system **again** this year, through the website starting in **JANUARY**. We apologize for the inconvenience. For more help, email Jerry Murray at gmurray@starcc.com.

*Words from Father Rob Kinnally*

On this weekend when we reflect on the visit of the Magi and their gifts to the newborn King, I am filled with gratitude for all God has given this Christmas season. So this weekend's column will be a prayer of thanksgiving.

For a renewed sense of hope and affirmation of Your desire to be with us; for a year of blessings and grace-filled challenges as I completed my first year as pastor; for the gift of a dedicated and Christ-loving staff who helped make Christmas a life-giving reality for the entire parish family; for large crowds at Christmas Masses; for patient "regulars" and welcomed newcomers; for ushers and greeters and parking lot chieftains who gave of themselves so the congregation could be safe and comfortable; for musicians who sang like angels and sacrificed much to rehearse and sing and then rehearse again and sing again; for "happy exiles" in the gym at 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve; for the best pageant I have ever seen; for the creative volunteers who fashioned an environment for joyful worship in the gym and in the church; for patient penitents who waited for mercy on longer-than-usual confession lines.

For a generous parish who helped us to help everyone in New Canaan who needed our help; for a generous parish who brought joy through our teens to a part of Kentucky that might not otherwise have Christmas; for a generous parish who sustains our ministries and our day-to-day basics; for cookies baked and sold; for St. A's Lego kits; for the chance to meet the college kids home for the holidays; for Saint Nicholas at the Advent dinner; for concerts and cleaners; for candles and crèches; for counters and cantors; for snow plow-ers and sanctuary flowers; for trees and lights; for the living Nativity; for family and friends; for Mary's yes and Joseph's care; for shepherds' awe and angels fair;

...for all of this, dear Lord of love, I am grateful. Amen.



Please Pray for the Deceased:

Daniel Connor

~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6:

Classes resume today, Sunday, January 7th and will follow the regular schedule this week.

Reminder: We follow the New Canaan Public School schedule. If classes or after school activities are cancelled due to snow, religious education classes are also cancelled.

Thursday, January 11th - 6th graders in our Family Faith Formation program are reminded that we will be holding a review session from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. This will provide you with an overview of the readings and prepare you for the next survey you will need to complete. Attendance is OPTIONAL. You can sign up at parish website/religious education/family faith formation ... or just come on Thursday. Hope to see you!

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, January 14 - No Religious Ed Classes

Monday, January 15 - No Religious Ed Classes - Martin Luther King/No School NCPS

Sunday, January 21 - 11:30 a.m. Mass for 6th graders and their parents/Family Faith Formation.

Confirmation:

As we start 2018, I would like to remind you of your child's service obligation. All Confirmation students are required to perform a minimum of 10 hours of service each year. The "year" goes from May 1 – April 31st. Level 2 students must submit completed service logs by February 1st. We will calculate the total number of service hours performed by the students over the two-year period and the students will present that figure to the Bishop during the offertory of their Confirmation Mass. Please check with your child to make sure they are making progress and have recorded all of their service on the log. If you need additional logs or the letter detailing the service requirements, those documents are available on our website: <https://starcc.com>.

Level 2

Your Confirmation retreat is Saturday, January 20th. Please make sure you are signed up for it at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aba822a2fd0-confirmation6>. Also, The Rite of Enrollment Mass is scheduled for January 28th at the 5:00 pm Mass. Please make sure it is on your calendar.

~ 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

March for Life . . . January 19:

We have a limited number of tickets to the Youth Rally and Mass for Life in Washington D.C. which precedes the March for Life. Held at the Verizon Center, the rally is attended by 15,000+ young people who come together to pray for life, listen to speakers, and hear inspiring praise and worship music! The rally culminates with Mass which is concelebrated by bishops and priests. This year's event features Emily Wilson, a Catholic musician, speaker, and author who travels the world sharing her faith. We realize that there are exams at NCHS - if you don't have an exam on the 19th or can consider taking your exam early, we urge you to see if this experience is where God is calling you! We will be going down by bus late Thursday night so that we can be in D.C. at the rally in the morning. Cost per student is \$65. Contact Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com to secure a spot. Scholarships available. Adult VIRTUS trained chaperones are also needed.



High school teens from St. A's are needed as buddies for the annual Tim Tebow Night to Shine . . . a very special prom night for our friends with special needs! We need to get our teens signed up now, as all volunteers need to attend a short buddy training on Saturday, Jan 20 or 27 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. To sign up, please email Julia@gracecommunity.info and copy youth@starcc.com. Please include your full name, email, St. A's affiliation and which buddy training you will attend.

St. A's Buddies Needed for Night to Shine on February 9:

High school teens from St. A's are needed as buddies for the annual Tim Tebow Night to Shine . . . a very special prom night for our friends with special needs! We need to get our teens signed up now, as all volunteers need to attend a short buddy training on Saturday, Jan 20 or 27 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. To sign up, please email Julia@gracecommunity.info and copy youth@starcc.com. Please include your full name, email, St. A's affiliation and which buddy training you will attend.



Emmaus 75 . . . March 2-4: 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 enriching faith and personal discovery, guided by the powerful Emmaus story conveyed in Luke's Gospel. The Emmaus Weekend Retreat helps teens to discover the joy of knowing who they really are and the gifts that God gives them including the gift of Himself. Candidate application and team registration for teens and adults can be done online at <http://staemmaus.org/>. Candidates will be advised of their acceptance in February. Team meetings begin on Sunday, January 21st at 2:30 p.m.

~ Parish News ~

Are you new to the Parish?

Meet the members of the Parish welcome team in the church Narthex after the 10:00 a.m. Mass **Sunday, January 21, 2018**, and pick up our gift to you!

We hope you will then join us as we *step on over to Stapleton Hall* together for fellowship and a cup of coffee.



Come join us and get to know the many smiling faces of the St. Aloysius Parish family. We are so glad you are here! Please email Christina Altier with any questions at caltier52@gmail.com.



Couples Ministry AKA Catholic Date Night January 11, 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 (see below). We ask that you register by the Wednesday morning at 9 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.

For more information or to sign up go to www.starcc.com and click on Parish Groups, then Couples Ministry. All the information you need will be on that page.

**FOR A DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC AND
VALUES-BASED K-8 EDUCATION**



**Open House
Sunday
January 28
11:00-12:30**

**Make the
Catholic School Choice**

St. Aloysius School, 33 South Avenue, New Canaan, CT 06840
Admissions: 203-966-0786 ext. 109 Or register online at www.sasnct.org



ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL

2010 BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges



*Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it. (PROVERBS 22:6)*



St. Aloysius Church Choirs

The beginning of the year 2018 is a perfect time to consider joining one of the excellent choirs at St. Aloysius Church. Be part of a rewarding musical group and ensemble that: serves our parish community, offers a joyful expression of praise to God, and provides a wonderful community.

**For more information, please contact:
Director of Music Ministries John Michniewicz
drjohnm@starcc.com**



Choirs and Rehearsal Schedules:

Adult Choir

Thursdays 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. (Sings Sundays at 11:30 a.m.)

Teen Choir

Sundays 3:30 - 5:00 (Sings Sundays at 5:00 p.m.)

Youth Choir (Grades 3-8) Wed. 4:15 p.m.
(Sings Sundays at 10:00 a.m.)

Cherub Choir (Pre K- Grade 2) Scheduled Saturdays (Sings by schedule Sundays at 10:00 a.m.)

~ Parish and Other News ~

Join Us for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition



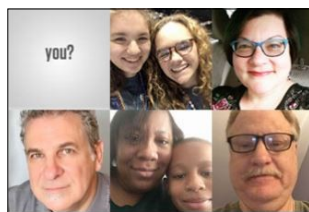
SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 ~ St. Aloysius School Gym
11:00 a.m. Open to boys and girls ages 9-14
NO ENTRY FEE



All competition starts at the local level. Winners move on to the district, regional, and state levels. Register at the event For more Information, contact Ted Graham at tededwardgraham@gmail.com or (646) 831-5467.

The Face of Prayer - A Great Way to Start the New Year !

Bishop Frank J. Caggiano continues to invite people of all ages to understand the importance and the power of prayer and to join the Face of Prayer movement. Go to www.thefaceofprayer.org or texting a selfie, a prayer request, or simply the word "pray" to 55778. Once a person registers, the bishop will send a prayer intention each day via text that will include a call to pray one Hail Mary in community with thousands and thousands across the diocese, state and even our nation. Many of our young people from St. Aloysius have joined the Face of Prayer - quite often cell phones ping at the same time and teens and family members stop what they are doing to pray together for the intention of the day. Do you have time in your day to pray just one more Hail Mary? Then, join the Face of Prayer and spread the word to others to join you in this amazing community prayer effort.



JOIN FR. IGNACIO ORTIGAS & 206 TOURS
ON A PILGRIMAGE TO

MEDJUGORJE

With accommodations at the home of the
Visionary **Ivan Dragicevic**



June 10 - 18, 2018

\$2,899 from New York

\$999 Without Airfare
(Land Only option)



www.pilgrimages.com/medi



Join Father Reggie Norman and Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Wilton on a Pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago! This pilgrimage will follow along the ancient pilgrim route in Spain which leads to the Cathedral of

Santiago, the burial place of St. James. Each day will have a large portion dedicated to walking the beautiful route, and we will have daily Mass, as well as the opportunity to stop at various chapels and churches along our pilgrimage route. See this link for more details on this amazing journey!
<https://www.canterburypilgrimages.com/allpilgrimages/frreggie?rq=Camino>

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!



Adults and teens come ride the St. A's bus to Washington and be a part of history as we
Stand for Life!

Day trip to D.C.

Friday, January 19th

Includes bagel breakfast, bus transportation, afternoon snacks, beverages and supper on the bus.

**\$65 per person for first two in your family
(family maximum of \$150)**

Those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent /guardian.

Limited space available. To reserve your seat on the bus or obtain more information, visit with members of the Life is Love Committee in the narthex after all of the Masses on January 6-7 and 13-14 or contact Sue Lione at slione@optonline.net or 203-966-5961.

Youth Ministry has obtained a limited number of tickets to the Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center in D.C. and will be taking a contingent of high school teens. See page 4 for more information or reach out to Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com to participate in this inspirational gathering of 15,000 + young people! Virtus trained chaperones needed!



I can't go to Washington this year . . .

What can I do here in New Canaan?

Come to Mass

5:00, 7:00, 9:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Stay to pray the Rosary for Life

after the 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses

Pray for Life in Adoration

Come to the Chapel from 7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

Sign up for a specific 30-minute slot at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a49aea62ca0fa7-spring/9470182>

Commit to pray a Rosary for Life at Home

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/pro-life-rosaries.cfm>

Everyone who prays a Rosary for Life is asked to place a specially designed baby foot card in our Life is Love cradle which will be at the foot of the altar on January 19. Cards will be available in the church and online at www.starcc.com.



Visit with us at the Life is Love Table after Mass and make a donation to help support those going to Washington!