



# SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 11, 2018**

**203-966-0020 [www.starcc.com](http://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., 12:15 p.m. (Lent), & 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 week days at 8:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and Sundays 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 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](http://www.starcc.com) to sign up.

## PRIESTS & DEACONS

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Deacon William A. Santulli [deaconbill@starcc.com](mailto:deaconbill@starcc.com)

## PARISH OFFICE

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A priest is always available in an emergency.

## PARISH WEBSITE

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## PARISH CONTACTS

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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 - March 12, 2018

7:00 a.m. Adam Brickel  
9:00 a.m. Bernard Rafferty  
5:30 p.m. Jango Joseph Seervai

Tuesday - March 13, 2018

7:00 a.m. Adam Brickel  
12:15 p.m. Joanne Helmus  
5:30 p.m. Felice Marcantonio

Wednesday - March 14, 2018

7:00 a.m. John Finn  
9:00 a.m. Bernard Rafferty  
5:30 p.m. Dick Beckler

Thursday - March 15, 2018

7:00 a.m. Fausta Vittoria  
12:15 p.m. Eileen Palma Smith  
5:30 p.m. Mildred Tabak Smith

Friday - March 16, 2018

7:00 a.m. Jane Ryan  
9:00 a.m. Patrice Donahue  
5:30 p.m. Chong O. Kim

Saturday - March 17, 2018

7:00 a.m. Joseph Schubert  
5:30 p.m. Cornelius O'Brien

Sunday - March 18, 2018

7:00 a.m. Luca Polli  
8:30 a.m. Josie & Peter McGlade  
10:00 a.m. Paul Kerin  
11:30 a.m. Joseph & Matilda Socci  
Gertrude & George Candini  
5:00 p.m. Kevin Murphy

### ***Please Pray for the Deceased:***

John Kehoe

### ***We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioner:***

Amelia Dufresne Sharp

### ***We Welcome our New Parishioners:***

Mary Caty  
Katharine Nelson and Samuel Chambers  
Murphy Family

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

## ~ 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, Laura Batch, 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, Margaret Malone, Fanny Mao, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Julie Natalie Mulhern, Louis G. Nappi, Patrick O'Kane, Patrick M. Pantalone, Harrison Perley, Dorothy Pojasek, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Barton Rappaport, Pete Roux, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Shirley Sapione, Adeline Seltzer, Viola Sharpe, Ali Simon, Lynda Ann Slovik, Judy Johnson Spadaccini, Joseph Squeglia, Jr., Georgia Sweeney, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia, Jr., Joan Toppin, Anna Totaro, Rita Troshynski, Kathleen Turpin, Hernandez-Van Vleet Family, Ryan Joseph Willen, Barbara Wines, 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  
3/9/18 - 3/15/18

**The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for**

A.C. Morgan, III

**The Mary Sanctuary candle for**

Eugene Casey & Barbara Casey

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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. Phone: 203-966-0786 Website: [www.sasncc.org](http://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

<b>SUNDAY, March 4, 2018:</b>	\$20,409
Online Giving for the week:	<u>\$2,710</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY:	\$23,119
LAST YEAR:	\$30,113

**Second Collection** this weekend

is for Catholic Relief Services and Aid to Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

We would like to thank all parishioners who use our **Online Donation System** for their recurring donations! For Parishioners who are not yet using our online donation system, we encourage you to do so! It's easy and convenient! In January, we were required to change the payment processor. Anyone who *had* a recurring donation in place **PRIOR to January 1<sup>st</sup>**, needs to go back to our website at [www.starcc.com](http://www.starcc.com) and reestablish your account online. Many of you have done so but some have not. If you have any questions, please contact our business manager at [203-653-1153](tel:203-653-1153).



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

**John 3:14**

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.*

*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.*

This Sunday's Gospel comes from that section of John's Gospel where Jesus and Nicodemus meet (in the dark), to understand that Jesus is a gift of light. The reason that "3:14" is a banner we see at pro football games is because it's such a basic truth that the world should know: Jesus comes to us because God loves the world and his desire to save us is real, and that salvation comes through Jesus.

So if God loves the world so much and wants to save us, why isn't the world in better shape? There's no simple answer, but I think that the world is still working on accepting God's invitation to love his Son. Maybe we think that the offer of salvation and light that come from Jesus are too good to be true and it's not complicated enough. But God is to be trusted and God's promise is real, and our response just has to be a simple "yes." "Yes" to living a life designed lovingly for us by God. "Yes" to accepting our challenges as part of that plan. "Yes" to noticing the good that emerges from the challenges. "Yes" because Jesus lived as one of us and really knows what it's like to be one of us.

God's intentions for us are nothing short of the best we could possibly imagine. Once we embrace that truth, we can more readily accept the invitation to receive love and give love. After all, that's who Jesus is: love from God poured out.

What about the world and God's love and us? In many ways, the world is truly ours, and if we have fallen in love with the One who has always loved us, we will more easily love and be light for a world that is somewhat fallen. So, I think it's all about us **with** God making a difference.

I'm looking forward to our time with Father Jack Rathschmidt next week where we might work on receiving and giving.

You are a blessing to me. May God continue to bless your Lent.

Father Rob

~ Religious Education ~

**Grades 1-6:**

All classes follow the regular schedule this week.

**Sunday, March 18th** - All 6th graders in our Family Faith Formation Program should plan to attend the 11:30 a.m. Mass with their parents. This is the last of the scheduled Masses specific to 6th grade. The final survey should be completed and submitted.

**Sunday, March 25th will be the final class for all those who attend SUNDAY sessions. No classes on Easter Sunday.**

**Monday, April 2nd, Tuesday, April 3, and Wednesday, April 4th are the last classes for children who attend during the week.**

**2nd graders** preparing for First Holy Communion are required to return for rehearsals and additional instruction the week prior to their assigned First Communion date. Please consult the Sacramental Handbook distributed to you in September. This booklet is also available on the parish website at [https://www.starcc.com/Religious\\_Ed\\_Forms](https://www.starcc.com/Religious_Ed_Forms).

Please direct all questions and concerns to Marie Pascale Vandall at 203-652-1170 or [marieccd@starcc.com](mailto:marieccd@starcc.com).

**Confirmation:**

The Lenten Retreat for all Level 1 and Level 2 Confirmation Students will be held on March 19th. Please make sure you are signed up on the following link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aba822a2fd0-lenten>.



Some of our Confirmation students enjoyed playing Bingo with the BrightView residents as well as learning a little about each other. A good time was had by all!

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

~ Youth Ministry ~



**High School Teens in Fellowship, Prayer, Service and Worship!**  
Sign up at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com), locating the sign ups under youth@starcc.com

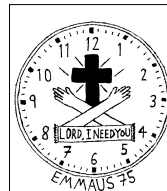
**Friday Lenten Masses for Teens:** Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to join together before school at 6:30 a.m. in the Maple Street Room (above Stapleton Hall) the remaining Fridays of Lent - March 16th, and 23rd. Light breakfast served afterwards and you are on your way to school by 7:05 a.m. Please sign up on sign up genius so we know how much breakfast to prepare! Come be fed and fueled for your day in the world!



St. A's is going to the **Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage** on Saturday, March 24th in Bridgeport from 9am-1pm. It is an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, a concert with Steve Angrisano and prayer with Bishop Caggiano. To register, sign up at sign up genius and we will send you the diocesan registration link. They are counting on us to bring a large contingent, so join us!

**Summer Mission Trip to St. Augustine Indian Mission:** Spend June 23-July 1 in Nebraska where we will meet Christ through the Omaha & Winnebago tribes as we engage in meaningful service as missionary disciples. Contact Chris Otis to see if there are still spots available.

**EMMAUS 75** was a grace-filled weekend where the theme of "Lord, I Need You" helped to inspire our young people and adults to become more Christ-centered and depend on God! Thanks to the support of our clergy and everyone on our team of 225+ who ministered to our 35 candidates!



**Around Town:** The New Canaan Parent Support Group, in partnership with the New Canaan YMCA, is hosting another monthly session in the Pathway Series which is designed to inform parents on topics covering substance misuse and mental health. On Wednesday, March 14th at 7:00 p.m at the New Canaan YMCA, Dr. Eric Collins, Physician-in-Chief, Silver Hill will discuss the use of FDA-approved medications, in combination with counseling and therapies, to provide a "whole-patient" approach to the treatment of alcohol and opioid use disorders. More info is available at <http://bit.ly/2BG8B5t>.

## ~ Parish News ~

**Men's Bible Study and Fellowship**

All men are invited to participate in Bible Study and Fellowship on Saturday mornings. Bible Study begins at 8:30 a.m. and finishes at 9:30 a.m. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. for a light breakfast and fellowship. We meet in the Maple Street Dining Room in the Parish Center. Please enter through the kitchen on Maple Street.

We are currently studying the Book of Exodus. No previous scripture study experience is necessary. We use The Navarre Study Bible which provides helpful resources in addition to the lively discussion.

For more information contact Bob Mantilia at [robertmantilia@yahoo.com](mailto:robertmantilia@yahoo.com) or call [203-414-1500](tel:203-414-1500), or just show up to give it a test drive!

**Kiwanis St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Social**

Sunday, March 11th  
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

St. Aloysius School Gym  
Traditional Irish Meal (Takeout Available) Kid-Friendly Fare, Irish Dancing and Music  
Adults \$15 (\$20 at Door), Kids \$10  
Benefitting the Kiwanis Club of New Canaan Scholarship

**Youth Rally Announcement**

Calling all Young People to Enter the Journey The Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage will take place Saturday, March 24th at St. Charles Borromeo Church, 391 Ogden Street in Bridgeport. It will include an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration, a chance to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a concert with Steve Angrisano and prayer with Bishop Caggiano. All young people in grades 6 thru 12 are invited enter the journey of Holy Week by spending some time in prayer with your friends and family. To register visit <https://thechurchneedsyou.org/event/pilgrimage/>. For more information contact the Office of Faith Formation at 203- 416-1670.

The **Department of Children & Families** has asked our assistance procuring a few items for some need families. Can you help?

- Kitchen table and four chairs
- Living room furniture for two separate families

For more details, please contact Deacon Steve Pond at 203.652.1158 or email him at [swpond@hotmail.com](mailto:swpond@hotmail.com).



## LENTEN

### Eucharistic Adoration St. Aloysius Chapel

**March 16th & 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 p.m.**

**Holy Hour for Vocations**

**4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE APPRECIATED** to assure the chapel is never left unattended. If you can commit to 30 minutes or more, please call 203-247-2739, email [ggersen@mac.com](mailto:ggersen@mac.com), or use the link provided on the website.

**You are Never Too Young to Serve!**

We have been asked by the Norwalk Dept. of Children and Families to provide Easter Baskets for their children in crisis. This is an at-home family activity that will be finished at our Never Too

Young to Serve gathering in the Gym on Sunday, March 18th. Each family is asked to use a 12" in diameter Easter Basket and fill it with specific items which are noted at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com). We will gather for coffee, juice and donuts and our young disciples will make Easter cards for their baskets and bag "resurrection eggs" that help tell the Easter story. Sign up at the link above, under [youth@starcc.com](mailto:youth@starcc.com).

**Weekend Retreat for Parish Men**

**March 23rd - March 25th**

**Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT**

A weekend of peace and reflection on the power of God's grace in our lives. It is organized by the Knights of Columbus, but all men of the parish are urged to attend. Carpools will be arranged leaving Friday afternoon. The retreat offering is \$320. For more information, contact Michael McDonagh at 203-966-3836 or at [mcdonagh1@aol.com](mailto:mcdonagh1@aol.com).

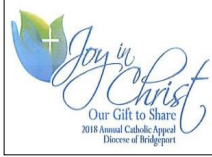
**Irish soda Bread and Bake Sale**

To Benefit our Scholarships and Charities sponsored by Catholic Daughters and Our Ladies Guild

Sale is after all Masses this weekend.

## Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 11, 2018

### ~ Parish and Other News ~



The weekend of March 10th -11th has been designated "Commitment Weekend" for the Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not already returned your 2018 gift or pledge by mail, you may bring it to Mass and place it in the offertory. As always, thank you for your support of these important ministries of the Diocese of Bridgeport. For more information, read the full brochure here:

<http://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/4-panel-Brochure-Final-Revised-web.pdf>



**Parish Mission**  
**The Gospel, Mercy and Me:**  
**The Journey Continues March 17-21**  
Father Jack Rathschtmidt, OFM Cap. returns to Saint Aloysius to offer three days of retreat right in our church.

Father Rathschtmidt will begin the journey at all Masses the weekend of March 17th-18th. This year he will be building on his theme of how we can live out our call to be merciful disciples of the New Evangelization. That is, *how do I lovingly proceed in a challenging world with the task of sharing the Good News with others?*

Monday, 3/19, Tuesday, 3/20, Wednesday, 3/21 Morning Session—Join us for 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by a 45-minute retreat. Evening Session—Come at 6:30 p.m. to the candlelit church for soft music and quiet prayer where we ask you to offer your own intentions in silence.



**Knights of Columbus March Madness Event**  
Enjoy food, drink, and the NCAA Tournament with other men of the Parish. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall.

*Please join us for the Women's*  
*March Day of Recollection...in the Chapel*

ORGANIZED BY THE PRELATURE OF OPUS DEI  
THURSDAY, MARCH 15TH  
10AM\* TO NOON\*\*  
ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH  
21 CHERRY STREET  
NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

\* CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT 9:30AM  
\*\*TALK- 11:30AM IN IN STAPLETON HALL ON DIALOGUE WITH GOD  
IN PRAYER: SELF-KNOWLEDGE AND EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE  
FOLLOWED BY LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

**Save the Date: Sunday, March 18, 2018**

CELEBRATING **25** YEARS

## WHITE MASS

for Healthcare Professionals and All Who Serve the Sick

*celebrated at 8:30 am by*  
**Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano**  
Saint Aloysius Church, New Canaan

*followed by*  
Brunch  
at Woodway Country Club, Darien

**Joseph Dutkowsky, MD, KM**  
will address  
**"Healing Beyond Healthcare"**

Sponsors \$100 (includes 2 tickets)  
Individuals \$35  
Table for 8 \$250

**For more information contact Elizabeth Auda: 203.416.1636  
or email: 2018whitemass@diobpt.org**

**SAVE THE DATE**

## OPEN HOUSE

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, March 18th, 2018  
Tours at 1:00 p.m. - Presentation at 2:15 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
ADMISSIONS@TRINITYCATHOLIC.ORG • 203.487.8242  
926 NEWFIELD AVENUE • STAMFORD CT 06905

***This Lent,***  
***We invite all men ...***

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 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.  
Thursday March 15  
Thursday March 22**



**Action: online sign up, <http://tiny.cc/SignUP2018>**