



SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - March 25, 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., 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 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 - 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	March 26, 2018 Therese Wendt Frances Smolak Alfonso & Anna Cotoia
Tuesday - 7:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	March 27, 2018 Phyllis Smith Anne & Louis Knoop Jangoo Joseph Seervai
Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	March 28, 2018 Catherine Buckley Connie Rampino Nicholas Baylock
Thursday - 7:30 p.m.	March 29, 2018 <u>Holy Thursday</u> Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday - 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 30, 2018 <u>Good Friday (No Masses)</u> Stations of the Cross Celebration of the Lord's Passion Living Stations of the Cross
Saturday - 12:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	March 31, 2018 <u>Holy Saturday</u> Blessing of Easter Food The Vigil of Easter
Sunday - 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	April 1, 2018 <u>Easter Sunday</u> <u>All Mass Intentions for St. Aloysius Parishioners</u>
10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m.	(overflow Mass gym)

Please Pray for the Deceased:
Robert Amen, Jr.

We Welcome our New Parishioners:
The Finegan 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. 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, MaryKatawa, 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
3/23/18 - 3/29/18

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for
Anne C. Dreyer

The Mary Sanctuary candle for
Josephine Rodriguez

The Chapel candle for
St. Aloysius Parishioners



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. 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, March 18, 2018: Amounts not available at press time.

*We thank you in advance for your generosity in our collection on **Good Friday** for the Holy Land And your Easter offering.*



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Dear Friends,

Our Lenten journey will come to an end this week in the unfolding of the great Paschal Mystery: the suffering, dying, and rising of Jesus. Put aside whatever distracts you from the things of God and join us for the beautiful liturgies of Holy Week. As witnesses to the Last Supper, the Crucifixion, and the Resurrection, we are wonderfully assured of God’s love for us. Begin the week by having your sins forgiven. Confessions will be heard on Monday from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Then make the time to participate in the prayer and liturgies offered throughout the week. I offer to you this simple statement from the First Letter of Saint Peter about Jesus’ humility and obedience to God the Father for our sake. May your Holy Week be a time of grace.

Father Rob

*“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”*

When he was insulted, he returned no insult; when he suffered, he did not threaten; instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly.

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

By his wounds you have been healed.

1 Peter 2:22-24



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



~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6:

Today, Sunday, March 25th is Palm Sunday and is the last class for our Sunday students ONLY.

Classes will be held on Monday, March 26th, Tuesday, March 27th and Wednesday March 28th. No classes will be held on Easter Sunday. **The Religious Education office will be closed on Holy Thursday and Good Friday.**

Please come pray and join your parish family on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.

Looking Ahead: Classes will be held on Monday, April 2nd, Tuesday, April 3rd and Wednesday, April 4th. These are the final classes of the religious education calendar.



Faith Formation Lesson Goes Home -- During a recent snow day, 1st graders baked "prayer pretzels". Their Mom is a catechist and reinforced the lesson taught in class: Lent is a time of prayer and the pretzels can serve as a reminder to pray each day!

Confirmation:



Once again, our Level 1 and Level 2 Confirmation students have filled Easter Baskets with goodies and handmade Easter cards for St. Aloysius homebound parishioners. The amazing work on their baskets turned out to be a great snow day activity!

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent and the beginning of Holy Week. Lent concludes on Wednesday evening and we enter the Sacred Triduum, the holiest time of our

liturgical year. The Triduum is three days long; Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. The full schedule is online and in today's bulletin. Join us for all services or for as much as your family can attend. Let us bring our families and ourselves to the Easter Celebration in complete fullness.



~ 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

Journey Together through Holy Week

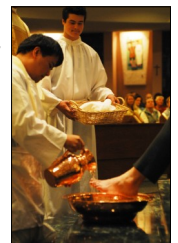
We are entering Holy Week and we want to help our teens walk with Jesus! We have gone through Lent in prayer, service and worship 'in the desert' with our Lord and are looking forward to Easter morning. But first, we must walk with Him to understand the suffering he endured. Here is how teens can make the most out of your Holy Week:



Check out our Facebook page each day this week. We will have reflections about this week in Jesus' life and how they relate to you! If you are not following our page, please do so on Facebook at STAYNC.

Teen Rosary on Wednesday, March 28 at 7pm in Stapleton Hall for grades 7-12. We will have dinner together, but in the spirit of sacrifice, will give up dessert. Our teen-friendly reflections will focus on the Seven Last Words of Christ on the cross as we meditate on the sorrowful mysteries. Please use signup genius to attend.

Experience a very special Mass on Thursday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Holy Thursday is the commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when He established the sacrament of Holy Communion prior to his arrest and crucifixion. You will witness our priests doing as Jesus did as he washed the feet of His first disciples. Afterwards, spend just a little time in the chapel to truly reflect on what is happening this week and how this relates to you and your world.



Youth Ministry Living Stations on Friday, March 30 at 7:00 p.m. Our High School teens will present the Stations of the Cross through costumed actors, readings and music. Held in the church, these interactive Stations are Middle School and High School oriented. Adults of all ages are also encouraged to attend.

And of course, **come to Mass on Easter!** The Easter Vigil Mass is at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 31st and begins outside with the lighting of the new fire and the blessing of our new Paschal candle - come watch the church go from the darkness of Jesus' passion and death to the light of His resurrection! Check the schedule for the Sunday Masses - there is no 5:00 p.m. Teen Mass on Easter Sunday!

~ Parish News ~

Pot Luck Supper

The Catholic Daughters next meeting is **April 5th at 6:00 p.m.** in Stapleton Hall where we will enjoy our yearly members Pot Luck Supper. We are looking forward to some delicious food and fellowship. Please respond to Jeanne Piscitello 203-972-0618 or jeanniec2000@gmail.com to let us know what you will be bringing to our wonderful dinner!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018!**

St. Aloysius 23rd Annual Vacation Bible School 2018 will be held the week of June 25th through June 29th. The camp is held on the parish campus and runs from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. We are looking for campers (PRE-K thru 4th GRADE as of FALL 2018) as well as parent volunteers to teach and coordinate the major tasks. VBS is always a truly fun and rewarding experience! Camp registration will begin in late March. We hope you can join us! Thank you for your prayers and support! Contact Jen Joyce jenjoyce713@yahoo.com or Maura Gayer maura.gayer@sbcglobal.net.

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 ggertsen@mac.com, or use the link provided on the website.

Blood Pressure Screening this Weekend

The parish nurses will be taking blood pressure screenings after all masses this weekend. This will take place in the Quiet Room in the back of the church. Also, if you are an RN and would like to help with this ministry please email Kim McNamara at kmcnamara3@me.com

Meditation and Music: Vespers, Intercessory Prayer & Contemporary Music
Wednesday, March 28th
at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel

In the tradition of our faith, you are invited to come together for Vespers at the end of the day to give God thanks for all that has happened in the day and to place ourselves in God's care during the night to come. The forty-five minute service will include meditation on Scripture and intercessory prayer.



The Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Tuesday, April 3rd** (and every First Tuesday), from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the Maple Street Sitting Room.

The group offers prayerful community support for anyone and everyone who has lost a loved one - whether the loss was yesterday or many years ago. Grief has no timetable, and support from others who share the loss helps immeasurably along the journey. No need to register ahead - just come. The group is facilitated by Fr. Cyrus and Melanie Barnard, but it is our God who leads us all on the journey toward comfort and hope. If you have questions or need a ride, call Melanie at 203-561-3050.

**YOU CAN BRING
 TRULY PRO-LIFE
 HEALTH CARE
 TO OUR COMMUNITY**

**project
 BELOVED**

Sunday, April 8th

1:00 p.m. Stapleton Hall

Brief Presentation

Light Lunch will be served

**For more information, contact Sue Lione
 at slione@optonline.net**

~ Parish and Other News ~



**Couples Ministry
AKA Catholic Date Night
April 12, 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.



Needs Volunteers!

Birthright is a pregnancy service offering caring and practical support to pregnant women in crisis. Our guiding principle: It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN.

Opportunities include friendship, counseling, clerical and clothing work. Training is provided. We have 9 chapters in Connecticut Call us today! **1-800-550-4900**

On Sunday, April 29, 2018, at 3:00 pm at St. Theresa Parish in Trumbull, CT, Bishop Caggiano will be celebrating the **2018 Wedding Jubilee Mass**. This Mass is for couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50+ year wedding anniversaries. Photos with Bishop Caggiano will take place at 2:30 pm before Mass begins. Every couple that participates will receive a complimentary photo and certificate. The Mass will be followed with a free concert by the Diocesan Youth Choir. A reception will follow the concert for all couples, their families, and choir members. Space is limited, so please RSVP by April 18, 2018!

If you are celebrating an anniversary and wish to participate in the Mass, please notify John Palma in the parish office at jpalma@starcc.com so we can let the diocesan office know. Happy Anniversary!

You're Invited to Discover Lauralton!

Sunday, April 8, 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Lauralton Hall, 200 High St., Milford, CT



5th, 6th, and 7th grade girls:
At **Discover Lauralton**, you'll participate in small group activities (you choose!), meet our students and teachers, and see our beautiful campus. Parents are invited to attend Q&A sessions with our students, faculty and staff. Join us for a fun and informative afternoon!

Register at:
www.lauraltonhall.org/discover



Wednesday Services at Waveny LifeCare Network

Volunteers are needed to transport wheelchair bound residents to the weekly church services which take place on "Main Street" in Waveny.

If you are willing to join the volunteer pool, please contact Stella Clarke, Waveny's Director of Volunteers, SClarke@Waveny.org or 203.594.5334. With your help, we can ensure that all who wish to attend can enjoy the benefits of joining together in worship.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 25

Vigil Mass, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Monday

March 26

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses
3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Confessions (Chapel)

Tuesday

March 27

7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses

Wednesday

March 28

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses
7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer and Meditation

Holy Thursday

March 29

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Meditation (Church)
12:00 Noon – 1:00 p.m. Confessions (Chapel)
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Confessions (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
8:30 p.m. – Midnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday

March 30

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Meditation (Church)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon Confessions
12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 p.m. **Celebration of the Lord's Passion**
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Confessions
4:45 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Teen)
The church will remain open for silent prayer until 9:00 PM

Holy Saturday

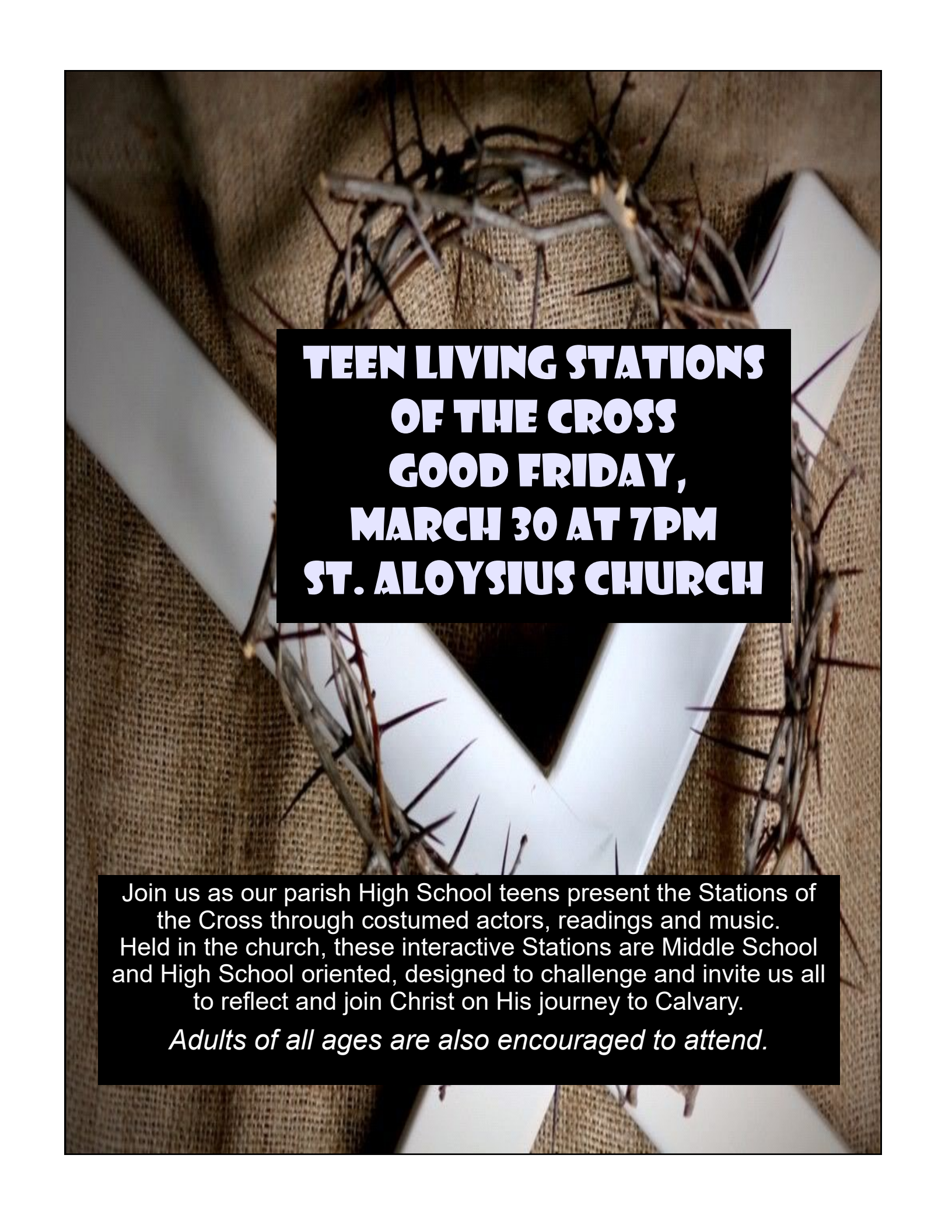
March 31

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Meditation (Church)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon Confessions
12:15 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food
3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Chapel)
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Confessions
8:00 p.m. **The Vigil of Easter**
Blessing of the New Fire
Lighting of the Paschal Candle
Blessing of Water
Sacraments of Initiation
for New Catholics

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 1

Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 (in church and gym), 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.
Chaplet of Divine Mercy following 12:45 p.m. Mass
Please note: No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday



**TEEN LIVING STATIONS
OF THE CROSS
GOOD FRIDAY,
MARCH 30 AT 7PM
ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH**

Join us as our parish High School teens present the Stations of the Cross through costumed actors, readings and music. Held in the church, these interactive Stations are Middle School and High School oriented, designed to challenge and invite us all to reflect and join Christ on His journey to Calvary.

Adults of all ages are also encouraged to attend.