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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - March 28, 2021

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Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 28

Please **register online** for each Mass via the parish website (<u>www.starcc.com</u>). **Walk-in's** are welcome in the St. Aloysius School gymnasium **as space allows**.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.*, 10:00 a.m.,

11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Monday, March 29th

7:00 a.m. Mass*

3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation-Chapel

5:30 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 30th

7:00 a.m. Mass* 5:30 p.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 31st

7:00 a.m. Mass* 5:30 p.m. Mass

Holy Thursday, April 1st

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer*

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper*

(Registration required)

8:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament

Good Friday, April 2nd

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer*
12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion*

Registration Required
Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 3rd

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer*
12:00 p.m. Blessing of Easte

2:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food - *Church* 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

8:00 p.m. The Vigil of Easter*

Registration Required; due to the large number of candidates for Easer Sacraments, <u>space is very</u>

<u>limited</u>.)

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Please **register online** for each Mass via the parish website (www.starcc.com). **Walk-in's** are welcome in the St. Aloysius School gymnasium **as space allows**.

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.*, 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,

1:00 p.m.

Please note: No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday



~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday -	March 29, 2021
7:00 a.m.	Lois Furlo
5:30 p.m.	Robin Kennedy
Tuesday -	March 30, 2021
7:00 a.m.	Katherine Buckley
5:30 p.m.	J. Michael Horgan
Wednesday -	March 31, 2021
7:00 a.m.	Saint Aloysius Parishioners
5:30 p.m.	Lawrence Thomas Luizzi
Thursday -	April 1, 2021 - Holy Thursday
7:00 p.m.	Mass of the Lords Supper
Friday -	April 2, 2021 - Good Friday
3:00 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday -	April 3, 2021 - Holy Saturday
8:00 p.m.	The Vigil of Easter
Sunday - 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	April 4, 2021 - Easter Sunday All Mass intensions for Saint Aloysius Parishioners

We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioners:

Sigrid Arabel Wellenius Antonio Melillo

Please Pray for the Deceased:

Louis Forgione Charlie Ruggiero Martha Toole

We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Kevin Driscoll Cailee Tallon

The Parish Offices will be closed on

Holy Thursday, April 1st Good Friday, April 2nd and Easter Monday, April 5th.

We will reopen Tuesday, April 6th at 9:00 a.m.



~ 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.

Joseph Adiletta, Maria Alvarado, Eileen Apy, Mary Ann Balog, Kristen Brelsford, John J. Butler, Tony Cantone, Addison Jane Carestia, Claire Carter, Lois Cawley, Luz Celit, Georgie Chapman, Pamela Chatterton-Purdy, Carol Ann Collins, Lucia Cusato, Deirdre Desmond, Matthew DeVaney, Frank DiMuzio, Kathleen Dooley, Kylie Edmund Dougherty, Monique Elliot, Rinda Farnham, Mark Dale Ferguson, Owen Fitzgerald, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Angela Franco, Maria Franco, Henry Frank, Paula Lynn Fuegner, Ging Galindo, Judy Garcia, Garo Garabedian, John Gaffney, Franco Gencarelli, Carol Gianattasio, Elizabeth Grottola, Kathy Grove, Sherri Hanson, James Heffner, Jeanne Hersam, Beverly Hewitt, D.J. Holland, Carol Hollister, Olivia Hurley, Juan Invernon, Maria Invernon, Sarah Jessie, Mary Katawa, Father Bernie Keefe, Carol King, Christopher Kotos, Al Latte, Jose Lavana, Sandra Lefler, Pam Libertiny, Joanne Liscio, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Debbie B. Lyon, Mary Maher, Fanny Mao, Dan Mao, Rachel Mawardi, Edward McElduff, Liz McKay, Sarah McNulty, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Brennan Mulhern, Louis G. Nappi, Carey Cattrell Ogden, Patrick O'Kane, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Andrew Parisi, Brother Gus Paulik, OFM, Harrison Perley, Austin Jack Pieck, Iracema Galvani Quinete. Nora Radocea, Barton Rappaport, Anna Recchia, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Jeanne Ruddock, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Rudolph John Sandor, Reggie Santella, Anna Marie Schroeder, Lynda Ann Slovik, Josephine Socci, Paul Sorge, Sr., Judy Johnson Spadaccini, Joseph Squeglia Jr., Georgia Sweeney, Mike Szarpa, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia Jr., Ignatius Thompson, Marlene Socci Tiani, Kathleen Turpin, Hernandez-Van Vleet Family, Margot Vaughan, Dominick Anthony Vento, J. Richard Weber, Martha Wieber, Ryan Joseph Willen, Alex Wood

All who are affected by COVID-19.

Please pray for those serving in the military:

CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; 2nd Lt. Paul Corapi; Lt. Col. Neil Dolan; Captain Brian Gerardi; Spc. Sean M. Kiernan; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; CPT R. Austin Miner; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 3/26/21 - 4/1/21

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for
Jack Murray
The Mary Sanctuary candle for
Philomena Cotoia
The Chapel candle for
Carmen Aquilar Moreno



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Click the picture below for this week's video message from Fr. Rob.





Click below for this Sunday's Children's Homily



~ St. Aloysius School News ~

Our Buddy Program

The 2nd grade class came together with their 8th grade buddies last week on St. Patrick's Day to read outside. The buddy program begins at St. Aloysius school in Kindergarten when each student is paired with a 6th grader. It is one of the students' favorite programs at the school. They are so lucky to have each other!



Knights of Columbus Free Throw Tournament

Thank you K of C for hosting this annual tournament. Congrats to all the students from SAS that came out last weekend - they did a great job!



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Pontifical Good Friday Collection this Friday is for Christians in the Holy Land

~ Religious Education ~

Attention All Catechists (Past and Present)

We are looking for five VIRTUS-trained Catechists to help with a two-week summer program. The dates are June 21st thru July 1st from 9am to 11am (excluding Friday, Jun 25th). If you can help, please reach out to Danielle Sibilia for more details at directorreligioused@starcc.com or call her at 203-652-1171.

St. Aloysius Church Honors Saint Joseph



~ Youth Ministry ~







Guys and Girls Groups Teen Bible Study Wednesday, March 31 7pm

Come together so we can help you get ready for the Triduum and Easter! Sign up at: <u>Teen Bible Study</u>

Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter

If you have not made Mass reservations yet, please check here to see what is available. If there are any high school teens that wish to attend the Sunrise Easter Mass, please contact Chris Otis. For those liturgies that are full, we encourage you to watch the livestream at the home page of the parish website, www.starcc.com, especially the Easter Vigil where 8 of our high school teens will be receiving Sacraments. Please pray for Mariana, Olivia, Sofia, Chastity, Brandon, Luke, Maddie and Gigi!

Stations of the Cross will also be on Good Friday at Noon & 7pm.

Masked and outside, a group of Youth Ministry teens were able to come together with the Breakthrough Options families whom we have only seen on ZOOM for a very long time! Even with everyone's masks on - you could see the smiles and the JOY on the faces of the children, moms and our teens. At the end, our teens prayed in thanksgiving for the opportunity to be together and reflected upon why God had called them to serve in His name!











~ Parish and Other News ~

Join Us in Visiting Neighboring Churches on Holy Thursday Evening

After the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on altars of repose in churches throughout the world. At these altars, the faithful are encouraged to adore the Lord in the Eucharist for a suitable length of time during the night. In the history of the Church a tradition arose of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday evening and spending time in prayer at each. The tradition derives in part from that moment in the Garden of Gethsemane when Jesus asked His disciples to stay and watch with Him. Stopping to pray at different churches is a kind of mindful watching and "pilgrimage" that corresponds to the seven places or "stations" that Jesus visited between the Last Supper in the Upper Room to His crucifixion. The stations mark the following events: Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus bound and taken before Annas, Jesus before Caiaphas, Jesus before Pilate, Jesus taken before Herod, Jesus taken back to Pilate, and Jesus given the crown of thorns and led to his crucifixion.

A group of St. Aloysius parishioners will make this pilgrimage on Holy Thursday, and you are welcome to "caravan" in your own vehicle or make the pilgrimage on your own with family and friends. We have reached out to area churches and each will have an altar of repose and the churches will be open until 10 or 11 pm. The group plans to depart from the Saint Aloysius parking lot near the grotto of Mary and visit churches in our area in the following order: Our Lady of Fatima, St. Jerome, St. Philip, St. Thomas the Apostle, St. Mary, St. Matthew, and St. Aloysius. Naturally, we will follow all safety protocols while traveling and while visiting the churches. If you are interested, please be in touch with Anne Cross at ctcrossfam@aol.com.

Are you an adult who is Roman Catholic, received your First Holy Communion but never the Sacrament of Confirmation?



If you would like to learn more about joining other adults in the Parish who are receiving this sacrament on Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, 2021, please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at deaconbill@starcc.com

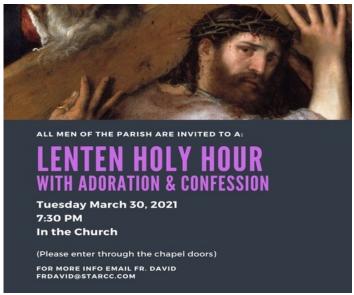


Knights of Columbus

Free-Throw Competition

We thank all who came in their masks to participate and congratulate our local winners!

Christopher D. – Boys 9 Will F. – Boys 10 Lilly G. – Girls 11 Grady B. – Boys 12 Natalia C. – Girls 12 Colin M. – Boys 13 Jack F. – Boys 14





Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.



~ Parish and Other News ~

THANK YOU... .. for saying "NO" to physician-assisted suicide in CT Plick

Invite Our Blessed Mother in YOUR home

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Our Lady appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. She asked them to tell the world to pray the Rosary for world peace. Her request is as important now as it was then. The beautiful statue of the Blessed Mother was brought back



from Fatima to St. Aloysius in 2005 and has been traveling to families in our parish since then. Those who have had the statue and prayed the rosary speak of the blessings received.

Rosary beads and instructions on how to say the Rosary accompany the statue. Please take the opportunity to introduce this beautiful

devotion to your family. If you have any questions about the statue or how to say the Rosary or would like to reserve a time to have the statue, please call or email Sue Lione, 203 966-5961, slione@optonline.net.



Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study St. Aloysius' Spring 2021 Program – New! Format - Zoom

Living in the Father's Love - Discover your true worth and purpose while growing in the ability to see your life from God's perspective.

6 Sessions on Tuesday Mornings 9:30 am - 11:00 from April 6 through May 11

For more information and for registration for women new to WWP, visit www.staro54cc.com/WWP

Questions? Email the Leadership Team at wwpstaloysius@gmail.com

Help Stop State Sponsored Suicide

Politicians in Hartford are again considering assisted suicide legislation. The Public Health Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly is considering legalizing a form of suicide in our state commonly referred to as "aidin-dying" or "physician-assisted suicide". The Committee has raised *House Bill 6425 "An Act Concerning Aid in Dying for Terminally Ill Patients"*.

Modern hospice care and the proper use of pain medications render suicide unnecessary, and we need to be mindful of the threat that a suicide mentality poses to vulnerable people and to people with disabilities

Many people believe that a physician is deeply involved in this process. This not true. The physician orders the mixture of medications, the patient must then consume the deadly cocktail of drugs without assistance. Many times without even a physician or nurse present.

We should never allow legislators to establish suicide as a solution to medical issues. Don't let the state persuade us that it's dignified for an ill person to sign their own execution order. Don't let the state create an environment where ill people will feel they have a "responsibility to die".

<u>Catholic teaching</u> condemns physician-assisted suicide because it, like murder, involves taking an innocent human life:

Suicide is always as morally objectionable as murder. The Church's tradition has always rejected it as a gravely evil choice: To concur with the intention of another person to commit suicide and to help in carrying it out through so-called "assisted suicide" means to cooperate in, and at times to be the actual perpetrator of, an injustice which can never be excused, even if it is requested. Saint Augustine writes that "it is never licit to kill another: even if he should wish it." True "compassion" leads to sharing another's pain; it does not kill the person whose suffering we cannot bear. (John Paul II, The Gospel of Life, no. 66).

TAKE ACTION:

Go to the website below, read more on the issue and then sign the petition to stop the legalization of assisted suicide in Connecticut

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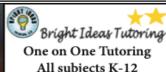
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