



SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - March 3, 2019

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: Vigil for Sunday 5:00 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. (during Lent),
& 5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 7:00 a.m.

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. - 7:30 p.m.
Go to www.starcc.com to sign up.

PRIESTS & DEACONS

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Rev. Robert A. Uzzilio, In Residence
Deacon Stephen W. Pond spond@starcc.com
Deacon William A. Santulli deaconbill@starcc.com

PARISH OFFICE

40 Maple Street, New Canaan CT 06840
(Business office address)
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
A priest is always available in an emergency.

PARISH CONTACTS

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ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

“Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you shall return.” The imposition of ashes is a solemn ritual that signals the beginning of the holy season of Lent. When we come forward to receive ashes, we are saying that we are sorry for our sins, and that we want to use the season of Lent to correct our faults, purify our hearts, control our desires, grow in holiness to prepare to celebrate Easter with great joy.

Commuter Ashes

5:00 a.m. to 6:15 a.m.

Distribution of ashes at the Cherry Street entrance of the church.

Wake Up & Witness for Teens

6:30 a.m. Prayer Service with distribution of ashes in the church. High school teens are encouraged to come receive their ashes before school. Breakfast bags will be served after the prayer service and teens will be on their way to school by 7:00 a.m.

Masses with Distribution of Ashes

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Prayer service at 4:10 p.m. with Religious Education students.

~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday -	March 4, 2019
7:00 a.m.	Kevin Murphy .
9:00 a.m.	Bill Mulqueen
5:30 p.m.	Louise Holland
Tuesday -	March 5, 2019
7:00 a.m.	Samuel Bono
5:30 p.m.	Doris Kopadt
Wednesday -	March 6, 2019 Ash Wednesday
7:00 a.m.	Katherine Schlegel
9:00 a.m.	Joan Sullivan
12:15 p.m.	Stephen LaPerla
5:30 p.m.	Joseph Kilbourn
7:30 p.m.	Patrick Kelly
Thursday -	March 7, 2019
7:00 a.m.	Mary Karl
12:15 p.m.	Frances Henry
5:30 a.m.	Lawrence Story
Friday -	March 8, 2019
7:00 a.m.	Rosemary Reyerling
9:00 a.m.	Katherine Schlegel
5:30 p.m.	Pete Roux
Saturday -	March 9, 2019
7:00 a.m.	Angelina DeFeo
5:00 p.m.	Anna Francello
Sunday -	March 10, 2019
7:00 a.m.	William Deegan
8:30 a.m.	Vincenzo DiFrancesco & Antonio & Concetta DiMuzio
10:00 a.m.	St. Aloysius Parishioners
11:30 a.m.	John O'Rourke II
5:00 p.m.	Nina S. Sinegurski

We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioner:

Barrett Brian Maloney
Lillian Jean Worthley-Knuff

Please Pray for the Deceased:

Leo Clancy
Jane Flaherty

The Mass Intention Book for 2020 is now open in the Parish Office.

We ask that you limit your number of Mass Intentions to four. Candle Intentions are still available for 2019. There are three different candle options: The Chapel Candle, The Mary Sanctuary Candle and The Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle.

~ 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.

Toni Recchia Allende, Eileen Apy, Laura Batch, Julienne Callaway, Tony Cantone, Addison Jane Carestia, Fr. William Carey, Claire Carter, Lois Cawley, Jean Cerbini, Georgie Chapman, Pamela Chatterton-Purdy, Pat (Pasquale) Conte, John James Corrigan, Sr., Lucia Cusato, Dorothy DeEttore, Deirdre Desmond, Matthew DeVaney, Frank DiMuzio, Kathleen Dooley, Kylie Edmund Dougherty, Monique Elliot, Rinda Farnham, Vic Ferrante, Daniel Fitzgerald, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Angela Franco, Henry Frank, Paula Lynn Fuegner, Judy Garcia, Garo Garabedian, Carol Gianattasio, Elizabeth Grottola, Kathy Grove, Joan Harmody, James Heffner, Jeanne Hersam, Carol Hollister, Cecile Howard, Mary Katawa, Father Bernie Keefe, Carol King, Christopher Kotos, Sandra Lefler, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Mary Maher, Joellen Malmquist, Fanny Mao, Rachel Mawardi, Eileen McCorry Sarah McNulty, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Brennan Mulhern, Louis G. Nappi, Carey Cattrell Ogden, Patrick O'Kane, Patrick M. Pantalone, Harrison Perley, Frank Perna, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Nora Radocea, Barton Rappaport, Patricia Rezny, Jeanne Ruddock, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Reggie Santella, Viola Sharpe, Lynda Ann Slovik, Josephine Socci, Judy Johnson Spadaccini, Diane Spuecheli, Joseph Squeglia, Jr., Georgia Sweeney, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia, Jr., Ignatius Thompson, Joan Toppin, Anna Totaro, Rita Troshynski, Kathleen Turpin, Hernandez-Van Vleet Family, Ryan Joseph Willen, Alex Wood

Please pray for those serving in the military:

CPT. Elizabeth A. Condon; Cadet Paul Corapi; 2nd Lt. Kevin C. Dwyer; CPT. Michael Howard; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko; Cpl Patrick Joseph Hussey; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Cpl. Jacob B. Ready; Captain Brian Gerardi

SANCTUARY CANDLES

**burn from
3/1/19 - 3/7/19**

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for

Nancy Brown

The Mary Sanctuary candle for

Deborah Pickhardt

The Chapel candle for

Louise Pergiovann



 Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Lent: Burden or Grace?

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. We can view Lent as a burden or a grace. I used to view it as a burden filled with food sacrifices, somber music, the dark remnants of winter, and a stronger-than-ever desire for spring. Lent is filled with grace; and the prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are opportunities to empty self and let the Lord fill in the emptiness so that we rise on Easter more like Christ. Don't be too tough on yourself this Lent. Set reachable goals of prayer, fasting, and charity. Unite the sacrifices you make to the sacrifice of Jesus for it is there that we experience true mercy and the hope of salvation. Let the "giving-up" you do turn into a "giving-in" to God who wants us to experience his love from the Cross. For some, the greatest sacrifice is to just sit down, say nothing, and wait for God to enter into silence. Try it. God will be there. Each time, sit a little longer. Come on Friday's for Eucharistic Adoration and find the Lord waiting for you. Visit the church on your way to whatever. Sit for a few minutes. Light a candle in the narthex.

To help you have the best Lent ever, we will once again give you a copy of "Ashes to Easter," our parish guide to Lent and Easter. Everything we are doing as a parish family in this grace-filled season of the Church is in this booklet. Read it through right away and keep it handy as we walk together toward Calvary and the empty tomb.

Join us for our Mardi Gras Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 5 and pick up your copy. It's a great way for individuals and families to start their Lenten journey. Lots of other resources will be available that evening. I hope to see you there.

I pray that you will have the best Lent of your life, and that you will enjoy the joy of the Resurrection every day.

Father Rob



Want to get more out of the Sunday gospel?

Go to starcc.formed.org to view a short, insightful video "Opening the Word" on this Sunday's readings! You must log in or register and watch a brief tutorial at <https://vimeo.com/180804716> to get started with life-life-changing content!

~ St. Aloysius School News ~



Congratulations to the St. Aloysius School Chess Club which recently took 6th place at a NECA event held at Greenwich Catholic School.



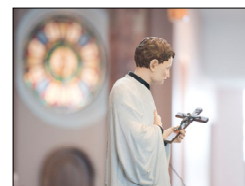
Box Top donations will be collected this week. Please place any tops in the labeled box in the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish

**TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:
FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY**

SUNDAY, February 24, 2019:	\$16,777
Online Giving for the week:	<u>\$3,515</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY:	<u>\$20,292</u>
LAST YEAR:	<u>\$19,835</u>

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!



~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6

Grade 1 Parents Only - Please watch for a sign up form to help the students make prayer pretzels during class time. This activity will be happening during the week of March 10th.

Confirmation

Level 1 & Level 2

Please make sure that you are completing your 10 hours of Community Service. The hours are due by April 1st. Please log your hours on the Track It Forward App. If you are still looking for opportunities, please see this link:

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/432382/events>.

Level 2

All students are required to write a letter to Fr. Rob requesting to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The letter was due March 1st. Please take time before, during or after the break to work on your letter.

~ Parish News ~

**Ignatian Parish Pilgrimage
Lent 2019
St. Aloysius Parish**

Are you searching for deeper meaning and purpose in your life? For a more personal relationship with God? Are you interested in learning new ways of praying? Fairfield University's Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality is offering a parish program that may satisfy your spiritual hunger!

Lecture and Prayer Experience: Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
March 9th, 16th, 30th, and April 6th

Small Faith Sharing Groups: Six Sessions
Dates to be determined.

Week of Directed Prayer: July 13th - July 20th

**Look for more information & registration form next week!
See the homepage of our website for the [registration form](#).**

Choir Concert

Sunday, March 17th at 2:00pm in the Church

The St. Aloysius Adult and Youth Choir join to sing John Rutter's choral masterpiece, the Requiem. The work is a musical setting of parts of the Latin Requiem Mass with added psalms and biblical verses in English. Rutter's music is beloved around the world for its timeless, memorable melodies, and masterful harmonies. The concert, presented with a chamber orchestra of strings, harp and organ, will be a wonderful Lenten musical offering highlighting God's faithfulness in this life and the next. Music celebrating

St. Patrick's day will also be presented.
Light reception to follow in Stapleton Hall.

~ 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

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events. All DETAILS and sign up information can be found on www.starcc.com/Youth_Ministry

Teen Rosary - Tuesday, March 5th:

At 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Pancake Dinner, our teens will lead a children's Rosary for our younger disciples. Come pray, eat and love!

*eat
pray
love*

Ash Wednesday



*Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

ECCLESIASTES 3:20

Wake Up & Witness - Wednesday, March 6th: Come to church at 6:30 a.m. for our Before School Ash Wednesday Prayer Service, followed by breakfast bags. You will be on your way to school by 7:05 a.m.!

Maritime Aquarium Visit with Breakthrough Options - Sunday, March 10th

- We will meet in the youth room at 1pm and head over to meet our friends from Breakthrough and be back in time for the 5:00 p.m. Mass!
Adult drivers and chaperones needed.



Living Stations: This year, Youth Ministry will present the Living Stations on Friday, March 22nd at 7:30 p.m. High school teens are needed to portray the characters who help tell the story of Jesus' walk to Calvary. No lines! Singers also needed. If you are interested in bringing this gift to our parish, please reach out to Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com.



~ Parish News ~



All Members are invited to the next meeting for Catholic Daughters on **March 7th at 1:00 p.m.** in Stapleton Hall. We will have a speaker from the State Court of CDA as our guest. We will be finalizing our plans for our College Scholarship Drive - Irish Soda Bread Sale - being held March 16th & 17th.

Our Birthright Baby Shower will combine with our Pot Luck Supper at our April Meeting and we will be doing Sign-Ups as well. For information please call Sue Socci 203-561-3461 or Jeanne Piscitello 203-273-7637.

Weekend Retreat for Parish Men
March 22nd - March 24th
Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center,
West Hartford, CT



Join us for a weekend of peace and reflection on the power of God's grace in our lives. In an age of division, tension and change, *No Ordinary Path* will explore the many ways God's presence empowers us and supports us through every step of life's journey.

It is organized by the Knights of Columbus, but all men of the parish are urged to attend. The retreat offering is \$325. For more information, contact Michael McDonagh at 203-966-3836 or at mcdonagh1@aol.com.



Catholic Daughters'
Irish Soda Bread Sale
Help us Help Others

Catholic Daughters is holding their annual Irish Soda Bread and Bake Sale after all Masses **March 16th & 17th**. All the proceeds benefit college scholarships (that are awarded to St Aloysius parishioners) and local charities. We are in need of bakers of Irish soda bread and we are happy to provide our special recipe. Other baked goods, including cupcakes and cookies are welcomed donations as well. If you are interested in baking for this wonderful parish tradition, contact Sue Socci (203-561-3461) or Jeanne Piscitello (203-273-7637).

[Sign-up here!](#)

If you are admitted to the hospital, please identify yourself as a parishioner of Saint Aloysius Parish. Also, please notify the parish office at 203-966-0020 when you or a loved one are in the hospital. We want to make sure that our clergy do not miss a chance to visit with those in the hospital.

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

SAVE THE DATE!

TUESDAY, MARCH 5th
ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL GYM
 Serving from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
\$5.00/per person

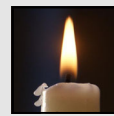
Families especially urged to attend with your children & teens!

Craft table for the kids!

Come see the many ways you can bring Lent into your home. Walk away with resources and ideas for the entire family that will help you celebrate the season of Lent in a meaningful way.

Our High School Teens will lead a 20-minute Children's Rosary at 6pm! Rosaries for all to take home!

[Click here for tickets to the Pancake Dinner!](#)



The Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Tuesday, March 5th** (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 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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

...a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion in their own neighborhoods..

Are you called to stand witness?

Coming this Lent 2019!

Opportunities coming March 6 - April 14 to stand vigil.

<https://40daysforlife.com/>

More information and signup to come!

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~ Parish and Other News ~



Special Opportunity from Emmaus Teens for our Parishioners!

Afternoon Trinity Tea for Senior Parishioners Sunday, March 24th 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. Please wear green and join us for a great intergenerational afternoon of tea, treats and fellowship hosted by some of our Emmaus teens. R.S.V.P. by Sunday, March 10th to Chris Otis at 203-652-1154 or via email at youth@starcc.com.



Come pray the Patriotic Rosary
Monday, March 4th at
6:30 p.m. In the Chapel
All are Welcome!
The Knights of Columbus Members
Meeting will follow in
Stapleton Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Caffeine & Catholics



Please join fellow parishioners in Stapleton Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Hosts are needed for dates in **the coming months!** It is fun, easy and a great way to meet your fellow parishioners. Please sign up using the link on the homepage of our website, www.starcc.com. Questions? Contact Michele Sloan 203-858-5039 or



Open House and Connect Coffee
Tuesday, March 12, 2019
9:30 - 11:30 am or 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Stapleton Hall

All ladies are welcome! Come join us for coffee, refreshments, video and conversation
This week: in *Opening Your Heart*, Children – Reaching Your Child's Heart
in *Keeping In Balance*, Getting a Grip When It All Falls Apart
Please contact us directly with registration questions or for confidential scholarship consideration at wwwstaloysius@gmail.com

Moms, free babysitting available during our morning session!
Like us on Facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/wwwstaloysius/>



The **Rite of Sending** for our RCIA candidates will take place at the 8:30 Mass. The candidates will be presented and our parish community will have the opportunity to acknowledge their spiritual progress. Sending a candidate to the bishop means that a parish has discerned that the person is ready to enter the Catholic Church. On Sunday, March 10th they will go before Bishop Caggiano for the Rite of Election.

Since late September, our Candidates have been attending weekly formation classes to help them understand and experience the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. We all participate in their formation through witness, support and prayer. We ask you to please pray for them as they continue their journey.



The Knights of Columbus will hold a March Madness Men's Social on Thursday, **March 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Stapleton Hall.** Food drink and NCAA Men's Basketball will be on the roster!
This event is open to all men of the parish.

Finding the Spirit, Nurturing the Soul:
An evening of practical learning about understanding and supporting people with memory challenges.
Thursday, March 14, 2019, 7:00 pm, Stapleton Hall

Board-certified by the Association of Professional Chaplains, Rev. Tom Lilly is the Director of Spiritual Services at Waveny Lifecare Network. From his 25 years of experience in healthcare and ministry, Tom will share stories, theories, and practical advice that he hopes will enable greater success in spiritually connecting and communicating with those who suffer from memory impairing illnesses.



Inviting all Men of the Parish
Everyone, please send this to your Husband, Father, Brother, or Son.

Please join us for our 30-day Lenten Challenge and Meeting series, March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, April 4th & 11th. Lenten Challenge - a 30-day program this Lent that perfectly complements our meeting format and provides rich content for the 6 weekly meetings. RSVP to St.Aloysius.Men@gmail.com to be informed of our meetings.
To join us for the 30-day