

#### 21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840 Third Sunday of Lent - March 4, 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.

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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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#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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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 5, 2018 7:00 a.m. Bernard Rafferty 9:00 a.m. James Creedon 5:30 p.m. Joan Sullivan

Tuesday - March 6, 2018 7:00 a.m. Paul Kerin

12:15 p.m. Buonaiuto & McCarthy Families 5:30 p.m. Angelina & Carmine DiFeo

Wednesday - March 7, 2018
7:00 a.m. Louise Pergiovanni
9:00 a.m. Frances Henry
5:30 p.m. Angelina DiFeo

Thursday - March 8, 2018 7:00 a.m. Edward D'Ambruoso 12:15 p.m. Mary Walaker 5:30 p.m. Adeline D'Amelio

Friday - March 9, 2018 7:00 a.m. Jim Socci 9:00 a.m. Anna Francello 5:30 p.m. Angelina DiFeo

Saturday - March 10, 2018 7:00 a.m. Peter McCormack 5:30 p.m. Paul Sleppy, Sr.

Sunday - March 11, 2018 7:00 a.m. Peter McCormack

8:30 a.m. William & Margaret Philipcik 10:00 a.m. Salvador Islas Gamino

11:30 a.m. Joe Fusaro 5:00 p.m. Maria Conte

#### Join Fr. Ignacio Ortigas on a Trip to the Holy Land October 28 – November 8, 2018 (12 Days) \$3,195

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Shrine, the city of Nazareth, Bethlehem, birthplace of St. John the Baptist, Jordan River and so much more!



A \$200 deposit per person is required to secure your spot. We'll send your trip package with tips, passports, add-on cities, and more. For more information, contact Fr. Ignacio at 203.652.1151.

**Reminder:** Submissions to the bulletin are due each week before Tuesday at 12:00 noon. All submissions should be sent to <a href="mailto:bulletin@starcc.com">bulletin@starcc.com</a>. 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, 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 3/2/18 - 3/8/18

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for Jack Engel
The Mary Sanctuary candle for
Louise Pergiovanni
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 <a href="mailto:isindela@yahoo.com">isindela@yahoo.com</a> 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: <a href="https://www.sasncct.org">www.sasncct.org</a> Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

### St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

 SUNDAY, February 25, 2018:
 \$17,415

 Online Giving for the week:
 \$2,420

 TOTAL OFFERTORY:
 \$19,835

 LAST YEAR:
 \$21,506

Second Collection next weekend, March 11th, will be for Catholic Relief Services and Aid to Church in Central and Eastern Europe.



Come pray the Patriotic Rosary
Monday, March 5th at 7:00 p.m.
In the Chapel
All are Welcome!
The Knights of Columbus
Members Meeting will follow in
Stapleton Hall at 8:00 p.m.



#### 🖔 Words from Father Rob Kinnally

#### God's House

Many of us grew up with the house rule of the living room being off-limits unless you were given permission -- and that was usually granted only when guests were being hosted there. On the average day, I recall steering completely clear of the living room as I ran around our house, viewing it as the domain of grown-ups only. There was no plastic on the sofas or chairs (although that was definitely the case in the home of some friends, and definitely in the houses or apartments of their grandparents!), but it was a special room, not for lounging around or game-playing.

In today's Gospel, Jesus drives the merchants and money-changers out of His Father's house. In a surprising burst of anger, Jesus is driving home the point that God's House is not like any other house and deserves the respect and reverence reserved for such a place where, in fact, God dwells. In a forceful manner, Jesus echoes the commandment theme of the first reading, urging us to keep holy the Sabbath and come to God's house and leave the world (of commerce and other distractions), behind.

So this begs a few questions: When we come to God's house, what do we bring? We should bring our burdens, hopes, and open hearts. We should leave most of the other stuff (live cell phones, to-do lists for the day, etc.) somewhere else. When we come to God's house, what do we do? We should always feel welcome, and be welcoming. Restless and noisy children should always be welcomed with love by all. All of us have been restless and noisy at some point in our lives; it's just a fact of life. One of the saddest moments I experienced recently is when I heard that someone turned around to the parents of "lively" children and said, "Next time leave your children at home." Not good. Not welcoming. Not what Jesus would say. I think you get it. All that being said, restless and noisy adults, well that's a different story. ©

When we come to church, we should acknowledge that God dwells there, giving God due reverence with a genuflection or a bow. When we come, we should practice that very Catholic thing of balancing speaking/singing and silence. During Mass we are asked to participate fully and actively, praying and singing with as much enthusiasm as we can muster. During those same sacred mysteries, we have the gift of moments of silence where are hearts are turned to God in a very direct and personal way. Similarly, some come early and stay late to get some silent time in. All of us (myself included), have to be mindful of that when we arrive or are leaving church.

You have heard it said before, but I think it's so important to bring home those who have been away. Many of you are doing this and it has been my privilege to meet so many new folks who are feeling welcome in our community of faith, having been away for a while. My offer still stands: I am happy to meet individually with any who have been away for whatever reason, especially those who have been hurt by the Church.

It is a joy to meet you in God's house. May it always be a home for us. Yours in Christ,

Father Rob

#### ~ Religious Education ~

#### Grades 1-6:

All classes follow the regular schedule this week.

#### 6th grade Family Faith Formation:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available to you on Monday March 5th from 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and again on Tuesday, March 6th from 3:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Please come to the chapel.

Thursday, March 8, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Optional review for 6th grade students only. Please come to Stapleton Hall.

Sunday, March 18, 11:30 a.m. Mass - 6th grade Family Faith Formation students and their families are asked to attend. There will be a sign up in the back of the church.

THANK YOU to Vicolo Pizza: We extend our thanks to the owner and staff of Vicolo Pizza for donating pizza dough for all of our first grade classes. The children baked prayer pretzels as part of their lesson on The Signs & Symbols of Lent.

#### **Confirmation:**

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

#### Level 1:

Students are scheduled for Reconciliation on March 8th. Please make sure you know what time your class is scheduled to be there.

#### Level 2:

Confirmation Students are scheduled for Reconciliation on March 26th. The schedule will be forthcoming shortly.

#### 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 <a href="https://thechurchneedsyou.org/event/pilgrimage/">https://thechurchneedsyou.org/event/pilgrimage/</a>. For more information contact the Office of Faith Formation at 203- 416-1670.

#### ~ Youth Ministry ~





High School Teens in Fellowship, Prayer, Service and Worship!
Sign up at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com">www.signupgenius.com</a>, locating the sign ups under youth@starcc.com



Teen Dinner n' Adoration: All high school teens are invited to the Youth Room on Wednesday, March 7th at 7:00 p.m. for dinner, followed by a teen-led Holy Hour in the darkened church, with music

by Logan and Caroline and a reflection entitled, "Lord, I Need You" shared by Clare Wagner.

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 9th, 16th, and 23rd. Light breakfast served afterwards and you are on your way to school by 7:05 a.m. Please register on signup 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 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., and will include an opportunity for Eucharistic

Adoration, Reconciliation, a concert with Steve Angrisano and prayer with Bishop Caggiano. Register on signup 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 23rd - July 1st in Nebraska where we will meet Christ through the Omaha & Winnebago tribes as we engage in meaningful service as missionary disciples. Watch for details and sign up instructions coming soon! Limited spots available.





Teens gathered over the break to make cards to brighten the days of the residents of Waveny and Brightview.

#### ~ Parish News ~



#### Afternoon Tea for Senior Parishioners Sunday, March 11th 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall

As we SPRING forward, please join us for tea, treats and fellowship hosted by some of our

Emmaus teens. Remember to set your clocks forward and then come enjoy afternoon tea. Caregivers welcome to attend! RSVP by Sunday, March 4th to Charlene Callahan at 203-594-9304 or via email at <a href="mailto:charcalluk@optonline.net">charcalluk@optonline.net</a>.



# Lenten Project! Help Stock the Empty Shelves For Person-to-Person

Drop off your donations in the Narthex of the Church through March 11th.

Thank you!



The Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Tuesday, March 6th** (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 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 <u>www.signupgenius.com</u>. 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**.



#### LENTEN

# **Eucharistic Adoration St. Aloysius Chapel**

March 9th, 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 <a href="mailto:ggertsen@mac.com">ggertsen@mac.com</a>, or use the link provided on the website.



# Couples Ministry AKA Catholic Date Night March 8, 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.

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 <a href="mailto:swpond@hotmail.com">swpond@hotmail.com</a>.



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#### ~ Parish and Other News ~



March 10th and 11th is Commitment Weekend for the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. That weekend offers the opportunity for parishioners to make their gifts by handing in their pledge

cards during Mass. For more information, read the full brochure here:

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



#### 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 March 10th & 11th.

#### 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 <a href="majorec713@yahoo.com">jenjoyce713@yahoo.com</a> or Maura Gayer <a href="majorec713@yahoo.com">maura.gayer@sbcglobal.net</a>.

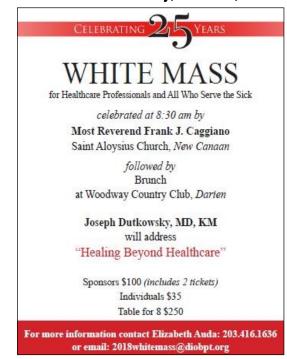
#### Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

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 or call 203-414-1500,

Save the Date: Sunday, March 18, 2018





#### Join Us for a Lenten Evening of Reflection: Sr. M. Gaudia Skass. OLM

March 12, 2018 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Church of the Holy Spirit 403 Scofieldtown Rd Stamford, CT 06903 For more information, call 203-322-3722

## 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.

Wednesday March 7 Thursday March 15 Thursday March 22

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