

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840 Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time - November 19, 2017 203-966-0020/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. & 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 daily at 8:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 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.

ADORATION

Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. First Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Go to <u>www.starcc.com</u> to sign up.

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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 - November 20, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Annunziata Colella 9:00 a.m. - Helen Loguirato 5:30 p.m. - Camilla Tassone

Tuesday - November 21, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Deceased Members of St. Aloysius 9:00 a.m. - Our Lady's Guild 5:30 p.m. - Ludwig Bohmer

Wednesday - November 22, 2017

7:00 a.m. - James & David Collins 9:00 a.m. - John Sandstrom 5:30 p.m. - Anthony J. DiBarnaba

Thursday - November 23, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Gene Staudt 9:00 a.m. - In Thanksgiving for our Blessings 5:30 p.m. - No Mass

Friday - November 24, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Rafael Segura 9:00 a.m. - Boris Pogacnik 5:30 p.m. - Margaret Ruddy

Saturday - November 25, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Jack Engel 5:30 p.m. - Marie & Vincent Vitale

Sunday - November 26, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Elaine Tiani
8:30.a.m. - St. Aloysius Parishioners
10:00 a.m. - Michael Wallace
11:30 a.m. - Tony Cotoia & Santina Lapolla
5:00 p.m. - Josephine & Anthony Flenda



~ 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.

Theresa Anderson, Eileen Apy, 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, Monigue Elliot, Daniel Fitzgerald, Tommy FitzPatrick, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Paula Lynn Fuegner, Judy Garcia, Garo Garabedian, Angelo Gesualdi, Carol Gianattasio, 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 Malmguist, Fanny Mao, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Louis G. Nappi, Patrick O'Kane, Lori Paladino, Patrick Pantalone, Harrison Perley, Dorothy Pojasek, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Barton Rappaport, Pete Roux, Paul Ruddy, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Shirley Sapione, Viola Sharpe, Ali Simon, Lynda Ann Slovik, Joseph Squeglia, Jr., Walter Sramowicz, Georgia Sweeney, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia, Jr., Liam Terrio, Joan Toppin, Anna Totaro, Rita Troshynski, Kathleen Turpin, Thomas Vitale, 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; Jason Trischitta C3C; 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 11/17/17—11/23/17

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for Haley Chudy- (Living) The Mary Sanctuary candle for Elaine Tiani The Chapel candle for Patty Molloy



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 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 grade. Phone: 203-966-0786 Website: <u>www.sasncct.org</u> Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

Second Collection this weekend ~ November 18th &19th will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH: FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

> SUNDAY, November 5, 2017: \$22,335 Online giving for the week: \$7,865 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$30,200 LAST YEAR: \$29,533

SUNDAY, November 12, 2017: \$20,147 Online giving for the week: \$4,455 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$24,602 LAST YEAR: \$27,869



🍞 Words from Father Rob Kinnally

THANKSGIVING

Sometimes it's difficult to have a grateful heart when what we have encountered leaves us more anxious than thankful. The recent violence that has plagued concert venues, busy streets, and even churches seems to compromise our ability to count our blessings this time of year.

Yet when we contemplate the God who loved us into creation and gives us faith and friends and family, we are consoled. We know God's desire for goodness and justice when we realize that evil is not a creation of God, but a reckless product of free will gone bad. We know God's love when we can love beyond what is comfortable and come to the aid of those who can't help themselves, including the victims of those with the darkest desires. We know our true selves when we can pray with confidence to our Father in Heaven in the words taught to us by the Savior and plead that the world would do God's will and not the will of the misdirected.

This is Thanksgiving: to see before us the bounty of God's love shining in the autumn sun, the fruits of the harvest that include those particularly wonderful New England ingredients, the promise of hope that comes with Christmas in a month's time, the delightful sound of children excited about the approaching vacation days, and the chance to be at the table with the ones we love and to pray for the ones we miss. This is Thanksgiving: to be grateful that our blessings always seem to outnumber our challenges, and to give thanks for our wonderful world and pray that God will reign.

For me, this is Thanksgiving: to be tremendously grateful for the gift of being your pastor and for the many blessings I have received in my first year – from God and from you. Thank you, friends, and thank you, Lord! Happy Thanksgiving and God bless you!

Father Rob

Pray for the Deceased Donald H. Gels

We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioners: Lila Belle Scott Elizabeth Jane Johnson We Welcome our New Parishioners: Drexler Family David Koch Bradley Family Moran Family Beninati Family Kaufman Family Coca-Rodriguez Family Kathleen & Gordon Cohen

~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6:

The religious education staff wishes all of our students and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy your time with family and friends and as always, give thanks to our God for the many blessings He bestows on us and pray for those who are in need.

We continue to remember all of you in our prayers.

Classes will be held on Sunday, November 19. Classes WILL NOT BE IN SESSION Monday, 11/20, Tuesday, 11/21, Wednesday, 11/22 and Sunday, 11/26. Classes resume the regular schedule on Monday, November 27th at 4 p.m.

Our office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Wednesday, November 22nd and open again on Monday, November 27th.

<u>Second Graders</u> - If you did not attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 12th, you did not receive the information you need to prepare your child for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We also distributed the times you are scheduled to come to the Church. You may pick up your information at the parish office at the pick up desk.

<u>Sixth Grade Family Faith Formation</u> - Thank you to all those families who attended today's 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please continue with your readings.

Confirmation:

Level 2

Your child's Saint Report and Confirmation Robe Order Form with a \$20 check made payable to St. Aloysius are due on December 1st. The Robe Order Form and Saint Report instructions are available on our website. Please contact Marie Osterndorf, Confirmation Coordinator, at

confirmation@starcc.com or 203-652-1173 with any questions.

Level 1 and Level 2

On Friday, December 1, 2017 our Confirmation students will present THE LIVING NATIVITY!

Level 1 and Level 2 Confirmation students are asked to come together to evangelize the town of New Canaan by presenting the story of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Confirmation candidates are needed to perform various roles in order to portray the REAL meaning of Christmas. The performances take place from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the St. Aloysius outdoor crèche on the corner of Cherry Street and Main Street. We still need lots of Confirmation Students to Sing Christmas Carols with us at the performances. Please sign up on Sign Up Genius:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aba822a2fd0theliving2

~ Youth Ministry ~





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

The Replica World Youth Day Cross is at St. A's

This weekend, the diocesan Pilgrimage Cross is in our parish. This cross, a replica of the World Youth Day Cross given to young people by Pope John Paul II in 1984, is traveling throughout the Diocese of Bridgeport as a reminder to all, especially young people, of our dependence on the cross for our salvation. He urged the young people, "Carry it throughout the world as a symbol of Christ's love for humanity and announce to everyone that only in the death and resurrection of Christ can we find salvation and redemption." The replica cross was blessed by Bishop Caggiano on the Feast of the Exultation of the Cross in September.

After traveling from St. Thomas More in Darien, it was presented to our young people at Emmaus last weekend. After this weekend, the cross will continue to travel around the diocese until the annual The Church Needs You Pilgrimage on Palm Saturday, when teens will be invited to join Bishop Caggiano to carry the cross through the streets of Bridgeport.

Take time to come up and pray at the foot of the cross especially pray for our young people of the parish. Please sign the petition prayer book.

May this cross be carried throughout our diocese as a symbol of Christ's love for humanity and as a challenge to us all to stand firm in our conviction, steadfast in our faith, and rooted in the love of Jesus Christ.



~ Parish News ~



Our Lady's Guild Event - Tuesday - November 21st, 2017 All women of the parish are invited to attend 9:00 a.m. Mass Followed by Rosary & Brunch. Speaker at Stapleton Hall The Rosary of our Lives: Looking at the Rosary in a New Way Speaker Amy Eke



There is still time to donate a frozen turkey breast or ham! We will take all donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Turkey Truck, courtesy of Karl Chevrolet will be parked in front of the church Saturday, November 18th at 9:00 a.m. thru 1:00 p.m. on Monday, November 20th.

Never TOO Young to Serve FAMILY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY Thanksgiving Baskets

We still need families to sign up for Thanksgiving baskets! See last weeks bulletin for details or sign-up at www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084dafad2caafb6-

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Drop OFF is Sunday, November 19th in the Tudor House.

Blood Pressure Screening This Weekend

The parish nurses will be taking blood pressure screenings after all Masses this weekend November 18th &19th. 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.

Social Worker

We are looking for a person with Social Work experience who can help parishioners in need to get connected to resources in the larger community. If you can help us with this request, please contact John Palma in the parish office at jpalma@starcc.com or 203-652-1140. Thank you.

<u>There will be two Masses on</u> <u>Thanksgiving Day</u> Thursday, November 23, 2017 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.



SAINT ALOYSIUS CHURCH

PARISH PARTNERS AND MUSIC MINISTRY INVITE ALL PARISHIONERS TO A

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

FEATURING BECKY CRAIG Accompanied by dr. john michniewicz



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SIMPLE SOCIAL GATHERING IN THE FRONT VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH FROM 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

> OUR CONCERT WILL BEGIN AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE CHURCH



The children of Rise and Walk foundation in Bogota, Colombia wish to thank the parishioners of St Aloysius for their generosity in sending the Halloween costumes to them. They had a great time dressing up and had a party!

~ Parish and Other News ~



Please support Our Lady's Guild Paperwhite Flower Sale after all masses this weekend! Flowers will be sold in Narthex of Church - set to bloom before Christmas and perfect for teacher or hostess gifts! All proceeds to support the OLG mission to promote devotion to Our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Kelly Hanratty recently "retired" from serving our parish in the Meals on Wheels Ministry. Our heartfelt THANKS to her for many years of extending God's compassion and mercy to those in need.

Jesus Christ taught us that man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but we are called to practice mercy toward others: "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy" Matthew 5:7. The Holy Spirit inspires our daily commitment to the Corporal Works of Mercy through selfless, compassionate acts in response to the needs of the most vulnerable members of our community.

"Then, when his days of ministry were completed, he went home." Luke 1:23

PURA VIDA for Children PRE-ORDER - HOLIDAY MAILBOX to benefit hungry kids

Pura Vida for Children and the Pura Vida Club of NCHS are partnering for the 9th year. All money raised helps pay for the food we will pack at our annual community 'Feed My Starving Children' food packing event in the Spring.

Make a donation and they will decorate your mailbox with fresh greenery, topped with a festive red bow as a thank you for joining the cause. These make beautiful gifts for friends and neighbors as well. We will include a gift note from your family. See their website for details: http://puravidaforchildren.org.



Join Us for the Annual Thanksgiving Blood Drive

St. Aloysius Church - Gym - 21 Cherry Street Friday, November 24th 8:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. To schedule your appointment, visit <u>redcrossblood.org</u> or call 1-800-733-2767.

Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima!



The next First Saturday is December 2nd. If you would like to participate in the First Saturday Devotion, as requested by both Jesus and Our Blessed Mother Mary at Fatima, please do the following on 5 consecutive First Saturdays:

1)Go to Confession (going the day before is acceptable too) 2)Go to Mass (and offer up your Communion in honor of Mary's Immaculate Heart)

3) Pray the Rosary

4) Meditate for 15 minutes on the Holy Scripture that are the mysteries of the Rosary, (a simple to use Meditation hand-out will be available in the chapel).

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

St. Michael's Lutheran Church will be hosting a collaborative ecumenical Thanksgiving service with the United Methodist Church of New Canaan on Tuesday evening, November 21st at 7:30 p.m. The offering collected at this service - monetary as well as non-perishable food items, will benefit the New Canaan Food Pantry. This service of prayer and thanksgiving is open to the public, and all are welcome. Please join us.

Mother Teresa's Closet is open!

We welcome gently used winter clothing for men, women and children with a real need for infant and toddler items. The closet is located behind the church.