



SAINT ALOYSIUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 26, 2017

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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. & 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 www.starcc.com to sign up.

PRIESTS & DEACONS

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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 27, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Charles & Sandella Rossi

9:00 a.m. - Amy Malizia

5:30 p.m. - Mary & Thomas Kelleher

Tuesday - November 28, 2017

7:00 a.m.- Richard Cerosky

5:30 p.m. - Barbara Cronin

Wednesday - November 29, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Deceased Members of St. Aloysius

9:00 a.m. - Edward & Florence Fitzpatrick

5:30 p.m. - Joseph S. DeFrancesco

Thursday - November 30, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Kathleen Orr

5:30 p.m. - Tony Cotoia & Ange Lombard

Friday - December 1, 2017

7:00 a.m.- Jean Amodio

9:00 a.m.- Joan Peter & John Donlon

5:30 p.m.- Annunziata Colella

Saturday - December 2, 2017

7:00 a.m. - Assunta Buzzeo

5:30 p.m. - William Francis Fulford

Sunday - December 3, 2017

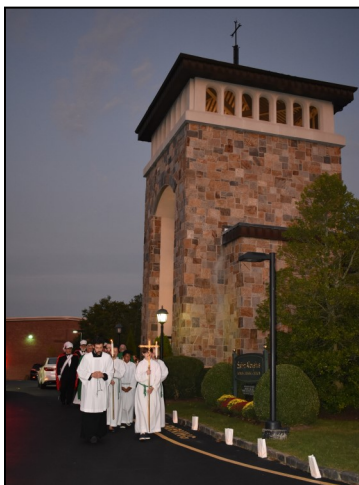
7:00 a.m. - Assunta Buzzeo

8:30 a.m. - Lorenzo Palladino

10:00 a.m. - St. Aloysius Parishioners

11:30 a.m. - Rafaela Bianco

5:00 p.m. - Theresa Iovino



~ 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, Monique 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 Malmquist, 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

11/24/17—11/30/17

The **Sacred Heart Sanctuary** candle for
Gregory J. Palma

The **Mary Sanctuary** candle for
Members of the Catholic Daughters (Living)

The **Chapel** candle for
Members of the Knights of Columbus (Living)



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: 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

Amounts for the weekend of November 18 & 19 not available at press time.

Pray for the Deceased

David Ruksznis



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

ADVENT

Advent has always been underplayed and underestimated in my opinion. It's a brief season of the Church year, just four weeks. This year the fourth week of Advent is compressed into one day – December 24 – because Christmas falls on a Monday. No one knows all the Advent hymns except for O Come, O Come Emmanuel, and everybody's sights are set on Christmas anyway. Christmas decorations and other Christmas paraphernalia are displayed the day after Halloween, Advent calendars are scarce, and I don't know any famous vocal artist who cut a decent Advent album. I once wrote to CBS Television with my script for "A Charlie Brown Advent," but I didn't even get a decent rejection letter. You get the point.

In the Church, Advent is a beautiful time where sacred waiting is dramatized by the beautiful prophesy of Isaiah and others. In that prophesy, the anticipation of the Promised One reaches a frenzy that can only be calmed by Mary's fiat – her "yes" to the angel Gabriel. This season of preparation for Christmas, that day when the "word was made flesh," highlights our own waiting – for the celebration of Christmas but also for the second coming of Christ in glory.

As a parish family, we will have many opportunities this Advent to get ready. Join us on December 6 in the school gym for a meal and receive a recipe box for a prayerful and meaningful Advent. Saint Nicholas will be there! That same evening, we will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – the best way to prepare our heart and soul to welcome the newborn King. Join us for Evening Prayer on two occasions, and, of course, our annual Christmas concert. Try to come to daily Mass and hear the unfolding of the mystery of the Incarnation and the different annunciations that have taken place throughout the history of salvation. Pray your way through Advent with one of the prayer resources we will provide, and keep the running around (shopping, etc.) to a minimum, and I promise you will have the best Advent and Christmas ever!

Come, Lord Jesus!

Father Rob

We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioners:

Claire Chan Campbell
Alessandro Umberto Castiglione
Rachel Hannah Weiss

We Welcome our New Parishioners:

Felton Family
Kretzman Family

~ Religious Education ~

Grades 1-6:

Classes resume the regular schedule this week.

KEEP IN MIND:

December 1 - The Living Nativity: Please come and support our 7th & 8th graders as they bring the story of the Birth of Jesus to life at the Town Holiday Stroll.

December 8 - All second graders are invited and encouraged to attend our optional practice session in preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. No need to sign up. Just come to the church at 4 p.m. Pick up is at 4:45 p.m.

December 9 - Celebration of First Reconciliation. All second graders have been assigned an arrival time. Please come to the church at your designated time and you will be directed by the staff.

Confirmation:

During this Thanksgiving weekend, please take time to give thanks for the many blessings bestowed on your families as you give thanks for all the wonderful families in the Confirmation program that help me bring Jesus Christ to so many of our brothers and sisters in need.



Some of our Confirmation students recently visited with the residents at Brightview on New Canaan Avenue, stuffed 36 Christmas stockings with goodies and wrote notes for the kids at Thorpe. It was a very enjoyable and fulfilling afternoon for everyone.



~ 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



Sliders & S'mores with Mary
A very teen friendly teen community Rosary


Open to 7th-12th graders
Thursday, November 30
7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall
Sign up on Sign Up Genius!

A group of teens headed into NYC recently to experience The Catholic Underground, a unique Adoration experience made possible by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. They loved it so much that we'll be going back again!




Our Kentucky Mission team will be travelling to deliver the Project 1,000 Christmas stockings next weekend. Please keep our team of 30 in your prayers. Thank you to all of our parishioners who, through their financial generosity make this mission to be the face of Christ for many children in Kentucky possible!

~ Parish News ~



SAINT ALOYSIUS CHURCH
 PARISH PARTNERS AND MUSIC MINISTRY
 INVITE ALL PARISHIONERS TO A
CHRISTMAS CONCERT
 FEATURING BECKY CRAIG
 ACCOMPANIED BY DR. JOHN MICHALEWICZ



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

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



Calling all children interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. mass. Two mandatory rehearsals for the pageant are required. Both rehearsals will be held in the church as follows:

Saturday, December 9, 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 16, 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

The following parts are needed:

- Mary 7th or 8th grade girl
- Joseph 7th or 8th grade boy
- Star - K 8th grade girl or boy
- Wise Men 4th-8th grade boys
- Angels K-5th graders
- Shepherd K-5th graders
- Inn Keeper 4th - 8th grade boy or girl
- Narrator 5th-8th grade boy or girl
- Baby Jesus newborn to three months boy or girl

If your child would like to participate, please call Cristiana Barrato at 203-594-1462. Spaces are limited, first come, first served.

Christmas Mass Schedule



December 24th

Sunday Morning Masses (The Fourth Sunday of Advent)
 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

Christmas Eve Masses (The Nativity of the Lord)
 4:00 p.m. with Children's Pageant immediately following
 Mass, 5:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m., Midnight

December 25th

Christmas Day Masses
 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.
 (There is no afternoon Mass on Christmas Day).

Building Dedication

November 26th marks the 50th Anniversary of the new St. Aloysius Church. We give thanks to God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon our parish family as He continues to hold us in His Care.

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.

Evening Prayer and Praise

Join us for Vespers, the evening prayer of the Church. "Evening Prayer and Praise" will be held in the Chapel on **December 5 at 7:00 p.m.** Prayer, contemporary music, and the opportunity to bring forth your prayer intentions. Come away for a while and spend time in community prayer. Deacon Steve Pond and Angelo Natale are coordinating this new ministry.

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~ Parish and Other News ~

Save the Date!

The Saint Aloysius Music Ministry
Presents our Fourteenth Annual
Advent-Christmas Concert
with Choirs and Orchestra
December 17, 2017 2:00 p.m.
Saint Aloysius Church



Reception immediately following performance.

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>.

Trinity Catholic High School is currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 School Year. The entrance exam is scheduled for Saturday, December 16th, 9:00 a.m. See their website for details www.trinitycatholic.org/admissions

Sacred Heart University's Office of Mission and Catholic Identity is hosting "Contemporary Catholic Conversations" during the 2017-2018 academic year. The talks are free and open to the public. Topics for January and February include: "Evolution and Creation Theology," "Pope Francis and the USA: Theology, Politics and Diplomacy," "The Liberation Spirituality of Oscar Romero." The Sacred Heart University website has more information: www.sacredheart.edu.

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 handout will be available in the chapel).
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Advent & Christmas Concert: Saturday, December 2nd at 7:30 p.m. at the Basilica of St. John's in Stamford

The seminarians of Saint Joseph Seminary in Yonkers, NY, will present a beautiful program of Advent and Christmas music. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online at www.DunwoodieMusic.org or through St. John's parish office. Call Keri, Parish Secretary, at 203-324-1553, ext 21. If you would like to take an advertisement for the program, please contact the seminary at the above website. Everyone is welcome!

Join Bishop Caggiano and the Diocesan Youth Choir for the annual Arise and Shine Christmas Concert at the Regina Quick Center on the campus of Fairfield University at 7:00 p.m. on December 17, 2017. Tickets are general admission and are available online and at the box office for \$20. Visit <http://bridgeportdiocese.com> for more information.



“NEVER TOO SENIOR TO SERVE” MEMBERS

***Join us for a volunteer service opportunity Sunday,
December 3, 2017 after the 11:30 a.m. Mass
in the church Narthex***

***as we prepare our recipe boxes for the upcoming
Parish Advent dinner and celebration of the
Feast of St. Nicholas***

Light refreshments will be provided

***We will be compiling the recipe box each family will
receive and we will include ideas on how to celebrate
an Advent season of quiet hope, joyous anticipation,
penance and preparation for our great Christmas
feast! Please RSVP your attendance by phoning
Brooke Buccieri at 203.219.3075
by Friday, December 1, 2017***

**The St. Aloysius Parish
Confirmation Class Presents:
The Living Nativity**

**Friday, December 1st
Performances at
6:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.**

Location: Outside on the corner of South Avenue
and Cherry Street



***Come see our live animals!
Sing Christmas Carols!
Suitable for the entire family!***