Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Saint Aloysius pilgrims had a wonderful, prayer-filled day at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. on Saturday, September 23rd. They joined Bishop Caggiano for a procession and dedication of a shrine in honor of Our Lady in the name of all young people.

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 & 10:30 a.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.

PRIESTS/CLERGY

Rev. Robert M. Kinnally, Pastor (*frrob@starcc.com*) Rev. Cyrus M. Bartolome, Parochial Vicar (*frcyrus@starcc.com*) Rev. Ignacio Ortigas, Parochial Vicar (*frignacio@starcc.com*) Rev. Robert Uzzilio, In Residence Deacon Stephen W. Pond (*spond@starcc.com*) Deacon William A. Santulli (*deaconbill@starcc.com*)



Next Saturday, October 7th 5:30 p.m. Mass followed by an evening of food, fun & live music.

Food catered by *Smoking Soul BBQ* Pie-Making Contest Homemade Desserts Live Music from *Bluewater* Pumpkin Decorating Games & Face Painting for kids Wear your favorite college sweatshirt. -Adults-\$20 -Teens-\$5 -Children under 12-Free.

> St. Aloysius Parishioners Are Invited to Attend

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Aloysius # 744



ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Sunday – Oct. 15^{th,} 2017 8:30 Mass at St. Aloysius

Breakfast to follow at 10:00am <u>Oak Hills Restaurant – "On The Green</u>" 165 Fillow St, Norwalk, CT 06850 <u>Guest Speaker</u> Father Robert Kinnally

Questions – Call Lea DiMuzio at 203-966-4401 or Rosemarie Petronella 203-972-1713



St. Aloysius, our parish patron, helping a victim of the plague.

PARISH OFFICE

40 Maple Street, New Canaan CT 06840 Phone: (203) 966-0020 Fax: (203) 972-7691

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

A priest is always available in an emergency. Call (203) 966-0020

PARISH WEBSITE

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Phone: (203) 652-1154 Chris Otis, Director Email - <u>youth@starcc.com</u>

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MAINTENANCE

Willie Roeder

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Nick Yanicelli, Chair Email: office@starcc.com

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!

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

BAPTISM: Celebrated each Sunday at 12:45 pm. Preparation for parents is held the 2nd Monday of each month at 8 pm 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Eileen Apy Gladys Borodich Catherine Buonaiuto Sean Butler Tony Cantone Addison Jane Carestia Fr. William Carev 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 Kellv Carol King Christopher Kotos Marv Maher Joellen Malmguist Patricia Mollov Fanny Mao Donald McQuid Jon Morrison Louis G. Nappi Patrick O'Kane Lori Paladino

Patrick Pantalone Harrison Perlev Dorothy Pojasek Iracema Galvani Quinete Barton Rappaport Pete Roux David Ruksznis Paul Ruddy Maria Cielo Sanchez Shirley Sapione Viola Sharpe John Silk Ali Simon Lynda Ann Slovik Joseph Squeglia, Jr. Georgia Sweeney Szenasi Family Christopher Tarzia, Jr. Liam Terrio Joan Toppin Anna Totaro Rita Troshynski Kathleen Turpin Rvan 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

ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL

 A diocesan school offering academic and values-based education for children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade.
33 South Avenue Phone: 203-966-0786 Website: www.sasncct.org Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 2

- 7:00 Charles Bohmert
- 9:00 Dorothy Grundin
- 5:30 Betsy Vadall

Tuesday, October 3

- 7:00 Grace Oei
- 5:30 St. Aloysius Parishioners who died in September

Wednesday, October 4

- 7:00 Sister Mary Foley 9:00 Kimberly Ann Tyre
- 5:30 Aldina Polli

Thursday, October 5

7:00 Terry Beaurline5:30 Maria, Carmelo, Joseph, Adolfo Tomaselli

Friday, October 6

7:00 Asunta Buzzeo9:00 Rose Bruggeman5:30 Angelina DiFeo

Saturday, October 7

7:00	Rafael Segura
5:30	David Polli

Sunday, October 8

- 7:00 Saint Aloysius Parishioners8:30 Ernesto & Adela Spadaccini
- 10:00 Arley & Annabelle Nelson
- 11:30 Michael Sullivan

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 9/29-10/5/17

The **Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle** for John Sandstrom The **Mary Sanctuary candle** for Vincent Fortunato The **Chapel candle** for Saint Aloysius Parishioners

Please Pray for the Deceased: Edward J. Smith, Jr.

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

SUNDAY, September 24, 2017: \$17,169 Online giving for the week: \$3,996 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$21,165 LAST YEAR: \$19,502

📝 Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Thy Will Be Done

In his letter to the Philippians that serves as this Sunday's second reading, Saint Paul suggests that we should be more like Christ and empty ourselves. Most of us would fear such a move since it might rid us of all that we are. In fact, there is nothing to fear in emptying ourselves because it simply means that we are willing to let go of bad habits, unfounded fears, grudges, judgements, egocentric motivations, and the like in exchange for a pure and liberating openness to God's loving desires for us. Physicians and fitness instructors encourage a deep breath followed by a cleansing breath. This action facilitates optimum air and blood flow, and that release of breath does wonders for stress as it empties the mind of its most worrisome and body-taxing anxieties.

Like the first son in the Gospel, we desire to do the will of the Father, but we resist because it might mean parting with our own self-created plan – and we may even say a flat out "no" to what we hear God saying about what's next. The transforming moment that shifts us back to a "yes" comes when we trust God enough to stand there empty and vulnerable, freed from our own designs of a future, and allow him to fill the emptiness with his love and grace. Then like little ones who reach up a hand as they walk along with a parent, we can expect God to grasp our hand and lead us to where we are supposed to be. In other words, each one of us should be able to say something like: "If I say 'thy will be done' each time I pray the Our Father, then I have to work on that relationship with the one to whom I am praying so that I will allow thy will be done --in my life."

See you at our Homecoming Fall Fest on Saturday night! Bring someone who hasn't been home to Saint Aloysius in a while, and please pray for good weather. Good luck to all pie-makers: the competition could be tough!

God bless you.

Father Rob

We Welcome our New Parishioners:

Kathleen and Gordon Cohen, Castellano Family, Vasanthakumaran Family, Erickson Family, Barbara and John McKay

Marriage Banns:

Banns I: Jennifer Marcoux and Patrick Corridon Banns II: Michelle Petrucci and Alexander Sandland Banns III: Kathryn Elizabeth Walsh and Sean Conroy Hamlin

Sr. Donna Brodman, a member of the Saint Aloysius staff, is looking for housing for herself. If you know of an apartment or rooming situation that you feel would be appropriate for Sr. Donna, please e-mail her at srdonna@starcc.com.

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Religious Education

Grades 1-6:

All students (grades 1 -5) who are registered for SUNDAY classes are asked to attend the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 8. This is part of their regular Religious Education schedule and there will be a sign in to note attendance.

Families of 2nd graders: Thank you for attending the Commitment Mass last week. Your children were wonderful at the blessing and now the entire parish is praying for all of them as you begin to prepare them to receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. If you did not receive the Sacrament Handbook that was distributed, please call the office. All of the important dates and instructions are in that booklet.

Looking Ahead: Sixth graders who are enrolled in our Family Faith Formation program are invited to an optional review session on Thursday, October 12 from 4 -5 p.m. This is not mandatory, but can be very helpful and valuable to your child's understanding of the Bible. Go to sign-up genius if you would like to come.

Reminders: Children in grades 1-4 must be dropped off at the classroom and picked up at the classroom. This is especially important as construction is underway across the street. Children will not be dismissed to the playground or parking lot to meet parents or siblings.



Mrs. Kate Stimpson, assisted by Mrs. Jane Quinn, directed their first graders this week in making a paper bag "suit of armor," with a large cross with pictures of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They learned that the cross is a sign of our

faith and a symbol of Jesus' love for us. It also served as a learning tool as they practice in making the sign of the cross.





As part of our <u>Project 1000</u>, Level 1 Confirmation students will be at all of the church entrances with Christmas stockings to collect donations

from parishioners at all of the Masses this weekend. Thank you for your generosity and support! The stockings will be delivered to needy families in Appalachia.

T.G.I.F. for 7th/8th Graders: Stop by the Youth Room on Friday, October 6 for snacks and an activity from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Watch your email for details and the sign up genius link!



High School Teens in Fellowship, Prayer, Service and Worship!

Sign up at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign ups under youth@starcc.com

Teen Rosary: Sliders & S'mores with Mary

Open to all teens in 7th-12th grades! On Thursday, October 5, come join as we gather in the Youth Room for a sliders supper and fellowship at 7:00 pm and then, weather permitting,

will move to the Holy Spirit Courtyard to experience the Rosary in a unique teenfriendly way, ending with s'mores around the fire pit! Bring an intention! Come be a prayer warrior and



experience our new, even more teen -friendly Rosary evening, which will have some of the components of our Teen Adoration, including music!

High School Teen Catholic Service Corps

<u>Saturday, October 7:</u> High school teens needed as face painters at the Parish Fall Homecoming Fest.

<u>Sunday, October 15:</u> Join together as we head out to do some work in the homes of senior parishioners . . . A little bit of service and a little bit of socializing!

<u>Sunday, October 22:</u> High school teens needed to head into the city for our fall Breakfast Run to feed & clothe the homeless. Virtus trained adult males needed as drivers/chaperones.

High School Teen Youth Gathering on Sunday, October 15:

Come together from 6-7pm in the Youth Room for dinner, updates on what's up & a little spiritual guidance for our teens in their lives!



Watch for the email coming to high school parents this week with sign up info about the <u>Kentucky Mission Trip</u> the weekend of December 1-3. Limited spots. If you are not receiving our youth emails, please contact Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com by October 3.

Register for our 74th Teen Emmaus:

Teens in grades 10-12 who have never attended Emmaus are invited to apply as a candidate. Teens who have already been a candidate on Emmaus or adults who would like to serve should register asap to work on



the team! Visit starcc.com and click on the Emmaus tab for general information and to register or contact Arthur & Kristen Hall at saintaloysiusemmaus@gmail.com. Team Meetings start THIS Sunday, October 1 at 2:30 p.m. and will also be held October 8, 22, 29 & November 5.

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In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun, our parish will be hosting two events! Please join us for either one or both!

Friday October 13

7:00pm in the church Our Lady's Guild annual Living Rosary & procession to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. Light refreshments will be served in the narthex following the Rosary.

Saturday October 14

12:00 noon in the church

National Rosary Rally! Join us and thousands of parishes & millions of people across the country as we all pray the Rosary in unison in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. Join us in the narthex immediately following the Rosary for festive refreshments.

As Catholics, we all share a sacred obligation to protect the children, youth and vulnerable adults in our community. All volunteers in the diocese are asked to participate in the **Protecting God's Children** program (Virtus) which offers education and training about inappropriate behavior and its warning signs. We will be offering classes on Monday, October 8 and Thursday, October 26 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. Please register at www.virtusonline.org. All those who are 18 and older who wish to volunteer with upcoming Youth Ministry/Emmaus events must take the class.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun., Oct 1:	Ministry Fair/Gym/After all Masses 1:30PM: Blessing of the Animals/Front Lawn 2:30PM: Emmaus Team Meeting/Stapleton
Mon. Oct 2:	1:00PM: Parish Partners Meeting/Stapleton 7:00PM: Patriotic Rosary/Chapel
	7:00PM: Homecoming Meeting/Maple Street 8:00PM: Knights of Columbus/Stapleton Hall
Tues. Oct. 3:	9:00 AM and 7PM: WWP /Stapleton Hall 4:00 PM: Bereavement Group/Maple Street 7:00PM: Vespers/Chapel
Wed., Oct. 4:	12:15 PM: Lunchtime Rosary /Chapel 7:00 PM: Usher CPR Class/Stapleton
Thurs., Oct 5:	7:00PM: Teen Rosary/Youth Room 7:30PM: Catholic Daughters Mtg./Stapleton
Fri., Oct. 6:	2:30 PM: TGIF for 7th & 8th Graders/Youth Room
Sat., Oct. 7:	7:30 AM: Men's Fellowship/Maple Street 5:30PM: Mass/Procession/Church Grounds 6:30PM: Fall Homecoming Fest

Convocation of Priests-October 2017

Bishop Caggiano is asking for prayers as he and all the priests throughout the Diocese of Bridgeport prepare to gather at the Fifth Convocation of Priests from Sunday, October 15, through Wednesday, October 18. The Convocation, which takes place every three years, will be held this year in Newport, Rhode Island. The theme of the Convocation is "Of One Heart and Mind: Brothers United in Christ." The purpose of the three-day meeting is to strengthen the fraternal bonds among the priests and to provide a time of spiritual renewal for them so that they may return with an even greater commitment to service. Please be aware that Masses will not be celebrated in parishes throughout the diocese from Monday, October 15th through Wednesday, October 18th; however, members of the Jesuit Community at Fairfield University and religious order priests will be available for sacramental emergencies. Thank you for your prayers and support toward this very important event in the lives of our priests and the Diocese.

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 October 3, November 7, and December 5 at 7:00 PM. 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.

Parish Partners

Do you have some time to offer this year to serve the seniors of our parish? Come join us at our Quarterly Meeting! Monday, October 2nd at 1:00 p.m. Stapleton Hall

Attention All Ushers of the Weekend Masses: We will be holding AED (defibrillator) and CPR Training for all ushers who volunteer at the weekend Masses and any one else in a voluntary position that would like to attend. The class will be held on October 4th, 7 PM in Stapleton Hall. Please contact Christine Ayoub to sign up and for more information at cddcnm@aol.com.

The Bereavement Support Group will meet on Tuesday, October 3 (and every First Tuesday) from 4 - 5 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 Barnard at 203-561-3050.

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Our "Never Too Young to Serve"

ministry for families has undertaken a special project with the Department of Children and Families in Norwalk.



Please consider a donation to help St. A's create a warm and inviting space for children in crisis. We are collecting specific items and cash donations towards items that need to be purchased to brighten a very institutional children's room. This is a perfect way for you to involve your children in helping to select a gently used item from your home or to go shopping for a new one. On Sunday, October 15, we will gather together at the Hospitality Coffee for item drop off and our children will work together to create a communal art piece for display in the room. Go to www.signupgenius.com, locating the signup under "youth@starcc.com" and sign up to help in some way! Questions, contact, Adrienne Fulk (adrienne.fulk@gmail.com)/ Kelly Lavigne (kellyclavigne@yahoo.com).

> SSND Champagne Brunch Fundraiser Support Education – Locally & Globally

SUNDAY, October 8 1PM – 3:30 PM The Boathouse at Saugatuck, 521 Riverside Ave., Westport, CT.

Join us! Hear what the School Sisters of Notre Dame are doing today & enjoy a festive brunch, surrounded by New England's spectacular autumn palette. Tickets are \$125 per person, available online at www.amssnd.org For more information, please contact, Leslie Lopez, llopez@amssnd.org or 800-993-7763.



Not Catholic? Interested in learning more about

the Catholic faith . . . Perhaps you were baptized Catholic and have not received all the sacraments of initiation: Reconciliation, the Eucharist, Confirmation. St. Aloysius will begin a new journey in faith in September to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family with those who are not Catholic or baptized Catholics who desire to complete the sacraments of initiation. We invite you to learn what our Church teaches in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the church. Gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds. Please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at (203) 940-0711 or DeaconBill@starcc.com if you have questions or would like further information.

Breakfast Run into NYC



Our high school teens will be headed into the city to feed and clothe the homeless on October 22. Will you please help by donating some of the following items. Donations can be placed in Mother Teresa's Closet.

New or Gently Used Men's jeans, colored t-shirts and <u>hooded sweatshirts</u> <u>NEW</u> Men's underwear and socks

Please make up a **toiletry kit** or two in a gallon size Ziploc bag containing Travel Size Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap & Body Lotion, Toothbrush, Travel Size Toothpaste, Deodorant & Razor.

Thank you for helping our brothers and sisters in need!



All Parishioners Are Welcome To Attend

The Feast Day Of the Divine Maternity Of Our Lady

Wednesday, October 11th, 2017 9:00 am Mass and Rosary Followed by Guest Speaker in Church:

Michael Higgins, Ph.D. Distinguished Professor of Catholic Thought 11:15 am Brunch and Meeting in Stapleton Hall

Sponsored by Our Lady's Guild

WEEKLY ADORATION

Fridays 7:30am – 5:30pm St. Aloysius Chapel To commit to a holy hour, or for more information, please use the following link:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a49aea62ca0fa7spring/9470182 or call Gretchen at 203-247-2739.

Men are invited to a Men's Night of Reflection at Holy Spirit in Stamford on Tuesday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m. **Msgr. Nick Grieco** will present "**Continuing to Make Christ the Center of All"** This evening includes further guidance on evangelization and the importance of the church community. This Men's Night is brought to you by the Knights of Columbus Fr. Miller Council #5833. Contact Bill Nagle with any questions. M: 203-570-2593, email: billnagle@hotmail.com