Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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September 10, 2017 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

If you would like to volunteer to help, please email John Palma at jpalma@starcc.com or call 203-652-1140.

Join the Music Ministry of Saint Aloysius Parish!

As we begin the program year, we hope you will consider joining the ministry of music and participating in one of our choirs. The following choirs are available, and welcome new and returning members!



Adult Choir - a group of volunteers and professionals dedicated to enriching the worship experience. Adults of all ages are welcome. In addition to presenting music every Sunday, September - June, the choir presents an annual Advent-Christmas concert and sings for solemnities/feasts. Begins September 14th. Contact: Dr. John Michniewicz at 652-1180 or DrJohnM@starcc.com.

Cherub Choir - for children in grades K-2. The program introduces music fundamentals and singing. The cherubs sing for special liturgies and events. Contact: Cidalia Kettles at 652-1182, or cidalia@starcc.com.

Youth Choir - for children in grades 3-8. The program develops musical skills such as part-singing and vocal development. The Youth Choir participates in the 10:00 liturgy most Sundays, September-June as well as special liturgies and events. Begins September 13th. Contact: Cidalia Kettles At 652-1182 or cidalia@starcc.com.

StAY Choir & Praise Band - is for high school students. The group sings at the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Teen Mass, accompanied by keyboard and guitars and rehearses at 3:30 before the Mass. Contact: Dr. John Michniewicz at 652-1180 or Dr.JohnM@starcc.com.

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)



Our New Couples Ministry A Catholic Date Night

An evening of faith, fellowship, food, formation and fun with other couples in our parish.

THIS Thursday, September 14th

We invite couples to join together on the second Thursday of every month for our new ministry for couples (September-June).

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.

8:30: Out the door!

Please register at www.signupgenius.com, locating the signup under fesslers6@gmail.com, so we have enough food/beverage for everyone. We look forward to meeting you and encourage you to bring another couple. We promise you will meet other amazing Catholic couples and learn more about our faith together.

For more information please contact Mary Beth Fessler at 203-972-7275 or fesslers6@gmail.com



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

www.starcc.com

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Richard Phelan, Business Manager Email-RPhelan@starcc.com John Palma, Pastoral Assistant for Administration, Email - ipalma@starcc.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Monday - Thursday 9:30 - 3:30; closed Friday

Phone: (203) 966- 4555 Marie Pascale Vandall, Director Email - marieccd@starcc.com

Marie Osterndorf, Confirmation Coordinator

Email - confirmation@starcc.com

Kathleen Redman, Grade Level Coordinator

Email - kathleenccd@starcc.com

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

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

MUSIC MINISTRY

Phone: (203) 652-1180 / Fax: (203) 972-3359 John Michniewicz, D.M.A, Music Director

Email - DrJohnM@starcc.com Cidalia Kettles, Director of Youth Choir

Email - Cidalia@starcc.com

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:

Judy Garcia

Harrison Perley Garo Garabedian Eileen Apv Dorothy Poiasek Angelo Gesualdi Karen Bicknese Iracema Galvani Quinete Carol Gianattasio Gladys Borodich Barton Rappaport Dolores Haas Catherine Buonaiuto Pete Roux Joan Harmody Sean Butler David Ruksznis James Heffner Tony Cantone Paul Ruddy Jeanne Hersam Addison Jane Carestia Maria Cielo Sanchez Carol Hollister Fr. William Carey Shirley Sapione Cecile Howard Claire Carter John Silk JoAnn Karagianes Jean Cerbini Ali Simon Mary Katawa Lynda Ann Slovik Pamela Chatterton-Purdy Father Bernie Keefe Pat (Pasquale) Conte Joseph Squeglia, Jr. Joan Kelly Lucia Cusato Georgia Sweeney Carol King Anthony DeFeo Szenasi Family Christopher Kotos Deirdre Desmond Christopher Tarzia, Jr. Mary Maher Sandy DiGilio Liam Terrio Patricia Mollov Frank DiMuzio Joan Toppin Fanny Mao Jean DiPanni Anna Totaro Donald McQuid Kathleen Dooley Rita Troshvnski Jon Morrison Daniel Fitzgerald Kathleen Turpin Louis G. Nappi Tommy FitzPatrick Ryan Joseph Willen Patrick O'Kane Ryan Fitzpatrick Alex Wood Lori Paladino Paula Lynn Fuegner And the sick and suffering Patrick Pantalone

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

known only to God.

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, September 11 7:00 Elodia Jordan

9:00 John Burns 5:30 Marion Koch

Tuesday, September 12

7:00 Edward Coco 5:30 James Keneally

Wednesday, September 13

7:00 Antoinette Barnes 9:00 Tom Byrne 5:30 William G. Swain

Thursday, September 14

7:00 John Leibell 5:30 Vincent Dolan

Friday, September 15

7:00 Tom Byrne 9:00 Joan Keneally

5:30 Constantino, Loreta, Mario Frattaroli

Saturday, September 16

7:00 Rafael Segura 5:30 Josephine Flenda

Sunday, September 17

7:00 Rafael Segura
8:30 Honey Solterer
10:00 Michael Crocitto
11:30 Saint Aloysius Parishioners
5:00 Edward Coco

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 9/8—9/14/17

The Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle for James Geraghty
The Mary Sanctuary candle for Umberto DiRenzo
The Chapel candle for

Joseph Spagna

Marriage Banns:

Banns II: Cecily Dwyer Pierce and Jorge Alberto Torres

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish

TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH: FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY SUNDAY, September 3, 2017: \$20,723

> Online giving for the week: \$6,180 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$26,903 LAST YEAR: \$25,729

SECOND COLLECTION-CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY-\$4,689



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Life in the Community of the Church

When I worked in college admissions, student applicants always indicated the various groups to which they belonged: sports team, Model UN, environmental club, chorus, etc. When deliberating applicants, I would try to ascertain the students' level of commitment to these groups. Always helpful to that mission was the occasional description — in a letter of recommendation — of the "true team-player," or "inspiring leader" who "is always in sync with the group." In sum, I was interested in varsity letters or awards received; I wanted to know how seriously the applicant took his or her role in community so that I could predict what he or she might bring to the life of the university community.

I believe that sometimes we don't value our role as a member of the community of the Church. In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus teaches a process to deal with a recalcitrant church member. There is an order and a series of consequences involved, and the person in question — as well as the rest of the community — has a role in it all. The emphasis here is not on the "difficult parishioner;" it is on the gift that community is to assisting, forming, and loving every member of the community, but especially those who are in trouble. I've seen in small and not-so-small ways how this parish community cares for its own through prayer, words of encouragement, friendly visits, rides to medical appointments, helping with a job search, and paying a bill or two.

Taking community seriously in the context of the Church doesn't necessarily mean helping out at a parish event every time the pastor asks for the help (although I must confess that wouldn't be a terrible thing). Taking community seriously means living in sync with what the community does when it lives the way Christ wants us to live. Being a life-giving member of the community of the Church means accepting the prayerful support of those with whom you share the pews whether you know their names or not. Calling ourselves "part of a community of faith" means we have committed to bringing what we get from the community of the Church to our work and to our relationships. Claiming that we are part of that large family of "Church" means we are committed to being formed and fed by Christ who we meet each Sunday in Word and Eucharist.

Friends, we need one another. God knows we need one another. There is no better place to meet God and one another than in the Church. There we find strength — in numbers — and in love. Invite someone who has been away from the community to join you on Sunday; you will be helping that person to live better — now and forever.

Yours in Christ, Father Rob

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Parishioner: Grantland Gary Patterson We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Reilly Family, Oliveri Family, Toczek Family, Hepler Family, Farris Family



Religious Education

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Sunday, Setember 10: Students enrolled in Sunday classes will meet in the St. Aloysius Gym at 8:45 a.m. One parent must attend and stay with their child.

Monday, September 11: Meet in church at 4 p.m. if your child is enrolled in the Monday classes. One parent must attend and stay with their child.

Tuesday, September 12 & Wednesday, September 13: Please follow the same directives as the Monday students. *Please come only on the day you have enrolled.* One parent must attend with their child.

The bus from East School and West School will not be operational the first week of class.

LOOKING AHEAD Saturday, September 16

All registered sixth grade students and at least one parent are required to attend the "kick-off" of our 6th grade Family Faith Formation Program at Sacred Heart University. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. All materials, resources and additional information will be distributed at that time.

(An e-mail reminder was sent last week).

Sunday, September 17 - Catechetical Sunday



This week all Level 2 Classes are meeting for the first time. You should have received an email with your Class Schedule for the upcoming year. Please contact Marie Osterndorf if you have any questions at Confirmation@starcc.com.

All Level 1 students will start their classes the week of September 17th. If you did not receive an email about your class placement please email Marie Osterndorf at Confirmation@starcc.com

Mandatory Level 2 Parent Information Session
Monday, September 18th at 9 am or 7 pm.

Mandatory Level 1 Parent Information Session
Wednesday, September 20th at 9 am or 7 pm.

(If you have children in both Level 1 and 2 you only need to attend the Level 2 Information session).



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

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



Saturday,
September 23
Pilgrimage to
Washington D.C.
with
Bishop Caggiano
Contact Chris Otis

<u>Teen Lectors/Mass Captains/Singers Needed:</u> Teens in high school who would like to sing, be a teen lector or a Mass Captain, who helps to direct the ushers are asked to contact Chris Otis at youth@starcc.com. Teen Lectors . . . Sign up at signupgenius.com for our annual Teen Lector Fellowship Dinner & Training on Sunday, September 17 following the Teen Mass.

Teen Dinner n'Adoration:

Wed., Sept. 13
7-8:30 pm
Starts with Dinner in the Youth Room and then we head



to the church for a very teen friendly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament featuring reflection, quiet time with our Lord and praise and worship music led by Caroline & Logan.



High school teens needed to be the face of Christ to our brothers and sisters!

Saturday, Sept. 16: St. A's Buddies

Come spend part of your afternoon with our friends with special needs for an afternoon of back to school fun!

Sunday, Sept. 17: Breakthrough Options

The children of Breakthrough in Norwalk are coming to St. A's for a fall carnival where we will teach them about kindness! Teen boys especially called to serve!

Thurs., Sept. 21: New Covenant House Soup Kitchen

If you have the day off from school, come join your peers and the Catholic Daughters as we prepare lunch and take a team down to the soup kitchen to serve!

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First Saturday Devotion as requested by Our Lady of Fatima, in reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. On the first Saturday of every month . . .

- 1)Pray the Rosary
- 2) Go to Confession
- 3) Receive Holy Communion
- 4) Meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary (handouts will be available in the church)

Eucharistic Ministry Training for the Homebound: Is the Lord calling you to be a Eucharistic Minister to those who are homebound or in care facilities? There will be two opportunities for training for those interested in this ministry on Wednesday, September 13th at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. To register or if you have any questions, please contact Tom Aylward at 203-966-0941 or email him at tandkaylward@gmail.com.

VIRTUS TRAINING HERE AT ST. ALOYSIUS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH AT 6:30 PM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH AT 9:30 A.M. STAPLETON HALL

Are you a volunteer? You need VIRTUS training! Attendees must pre-register at www.virtusonline.org.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun., Sept 10: 8:45 AM: First Day of Rel. Ed. /Gym

11 AM: Coffee Social/Stapleton

6 PM: Youth Ministry Kick-Off BBQ/Patio

Mon., Sept 11: 4:00 PM: Rel. Ed. Prayer Service/Church

7:00 PM: Patriotic Rosary/Chapel

8:00 PM: Knights of Columbus/Stapleton 8:00 PM: Pre-Baptismal Class/Maple St.

Tues. Sept 12: 9:00 AM: WWP Rosary Open to All/Chapel

4:00 PM: Rel. Ed. Prayer Service/Church 6:30 PM: VIRTUS Training/Stapleton

Wed., Sept 13: 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM: Eucharistic Ministry

Training/Stapleton Hall

12:15 PM: Lunchtime Rosary/Chapel 4:00 PM: Rel. Ed. Prayer Service/Church 7:00 PM Teen Adoration/Youth Room & Church

Thurs., Sept 14: 4:15 PM: Altar Server Training/Church

5:30 PM: Couples Ministry/Church/Stapleton

Fri., Sept 15: 7:30 AM: Adoration/Chapel

4:15 PM: Altar Server Training/Church

Sat., Sept. 16: 7:30 AM: Men's Fellowship/Maple Street

9:00 AM Rel. Ed. 6th Grade Family Kick Off/

Sacred Heart University

4:00 PM: YM St. A's Buddies/Stapleton Hall 5:30 PM Blood Pressure Screenings/Cry Room

Coffee Hours Have Returned: After the 10 a.m. Mass, come meet your fellow parishioners in a social and relaxed setting. We need families, Religious Education classes, friends or teams to sign up to host coffees. It counts as Confirmation service hours and its fun, easy and rewarding! Sign up to host at: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050849a8ad29a46-stas Easy & thorough instructions & an e-mail reminder will be sent. Thank you for serving our parish! Questions? Contact Michele Sloan, msloan@halstead.com or 203-858-5039.



The Patriotic Rosary will be held on Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m in the Chapel and will be followed by the monthly Knights of Columbus meeting in Stapleton Hall at 8:00 p.m.



One Day Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. Saturday, September 23

Join Bishop Caggiano for this special day!

He invites adults, teens and families for Mass, a procession and dedication of a shrine in honor of Our Lady in the name of all young people. St. Aloysius is trying to fill a bus. If you are interested, please contact John Palma at 203-652-1140 or email him at jpalma@starcc.com for details and transportation costs.

Altar Servers: All current servers and those boys and girls grades 4 and up who would like to join our altar server ministry are asked to come to meet Father Ignacio and attend altar server training from 4:15-5:15 in the church on one of the following dates, **September 14, 15, 27 or 28.** All servers MUST attend one of these sessions!

Blood Pressure Screening Next Weekend

The parish nurses will be taking blood pressure screenings after all masses next weekend-September 16 & 17. This will take place in the Cry 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

Mother Teresa's Closet has reopened! We welcome gently used fall and winter clothing for men, women and children with a real need for infant and toddler items. Also, Rise and Walk Foundation is seeking gently-used Halloween Costumes for disadvantaged children by Sept. 30. We are also starting to collect men's jeans and hooded sweatshirts for our October Breakfast Run.



Registration for our 74th Teen Emmaus Is Open Apply as a candidate if you are a teen in grades 10-12 who has never attended Emmaus.

Register as a team member if you are a teen who has already been a candidate on Emmaus or an adult who would like to serve.

Visit starcc.com and click on the Emmaus tab for general information and to register or contact Arthur & Kristen Hall at saintaloysiusemmaus@gmail.com.

Important Dates

Saturday, September 16th 7:00 pm: Adult Team Kickoff Team Meetings: Sundays at 2:30 pm October 1,8, 22, 29 & November 5

WEEKLY ADORATION

7:30am – 5:30pm Fridays



St. Aloysius Chapel Signups not required.
Adorers needed!

To commit to a holy hour, or for more information, please use the following link:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a49aea62ca0fa7-spring/9470182 or call Gretchen at 203-247-2739.

Special Gatherings for Children/Teens with Special Needs:

The high school teens in Youth Ministry (aka St. A's Buddies) host friends with special needs several times throughout the year. We invite our parishioners to include your children in these grace filled afternoons. Our first gathering of the year is Saturday, September 16 in Stapleton Hall from 4:00-5:30 p.m. To register your child, email elenaschlegel@optonline.net.

Give the Gift of Life

A parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea in Stamford is looking for a kidney donor. The potential donor must be 18-70 years-old and have "O" blood type. If you know of someone who is interested in learning more about this process, please contact Natasha at the OLSS rectory at 203-324-4634.

<u>Catholic Parents Connect</u> <u>Love n' Care College Care Packages</u>

DO YOU WONDER DOES GOD SEE ME? DOES GOD HEAR ME?

Please come hear the spiritual journey of Frank Kelly, who survived a lethal dose of electricity. BRING YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CHILDREN.

You will leave with peace and joy in your heart!
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH 2017 6PM
MASS AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA – WILTON ,CT.
FRANK KELLY'S WITNESS & HEALING
SERVICE TO FOLLOW

Frank will pray over each person after his testimony



Those with Down Syndrome, their family and friends are invited to

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass asking for the intercession of St. Robert Bellarmine

Father Joseph Koterski, S.J., celebrant

Sunday, September 17, 2017 9:30am at St. Mary Church

669 West Avenue, Norwalk, Connecticut 06850 Reception following the Mass, all are welcome

Please come and join the MOMs+DADs prayer/support group
(Mother of Mercy spiritual Divine Advocate for Down syndrome)
Third Thursday of every month, 7:30pm at St. Mary's Parish Center

Next prayer meeting will be September 21, 2017

Inquiries welcome at strapostolate@optimum.net

Let your college student know that their parish family misses them and is praying for them! We will gather on **Tuesday, September 19** at 7:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall. Our program this year will include 2 care package mailings and two notes from Youth Ministry. To register, send a check for \$35 (made out to St. A's) and your college student's name/address to the attention of Chris Otis and sign up on signupgenius to attend the event and donate items for the boxes!