

Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

21 Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT 06840
203-966-0020/www.starcc.com



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September 17, 2017

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 has secured a bus that will depart at 7:00 a.m. If you are interested, please contact John Palma at 203-652-1140 or email him at jpalma@starcc.com for details and transportation costs.
Space is first come, first served!

St. Aloysius Fall Homecoming Fest

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.

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)



Open House and First Connect Coffee

Tuesday, September 26

9:30 - 11:30 am or

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Stapleton Hall

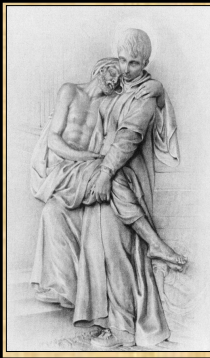
Come find out what Walking With Purpose is all about!

*Our two studies, offered both day and night are:
"Opening Your Heart" for women new to Walking With Purpose
and
"Touching the Divine", a study of the Gospel of John, for returning women*

**Coffee, refreshments, video and discussion
Registrations will be taken**

Come as you are and find out why this program is quickly growing throughout the country!

*Moms with young children at home:
We have **free babysitting!!!***



**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 - jpalma@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 - kathleencod@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:

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| Judy Garcia | Patrick Pantalone |
| Eileen Apy | Harrison Perley |
| Karen Bicknese | Dorothy Pojasek |
| Gladys Borodich | Iracema Galvani Quinete |
| Catherine Buonaiuto | Barton Rappaport |
| Sean Butler | Pete Roux |
| Tony Cantone | David Ruksznis |
| Addison Jane Carestia | Paul Ruddy |
| Fr. William Carey | Maria Cielo Sanchez |
| Claire Carter | Shirley Sapione |
| Jean Cerbini | John Silk |
| Pamela Chatterton-Purdy | Ali Simon |
| Pat (Pasquale) Conte | Lynda Ann Slovik |
| Lucia Cusato | Joseph Squeglia, Jr. |
| Anthony DeFeo | Georgia Sweeney |
| Deirdre Desmond | Szenasi Family |
| Sandy DiGilio | Christopher Tarzia, Jr. |
| Frank DiMuzio | Liam Terrio |
| Jean DiPanni | Joan Toppin |
| Kathleen Dooley | Anna Totaro |
| Monique Elliot | Rita Troshynski |
| Daniel Fitzgerald | Kathleen Turpin |
| Tommy FitzPatrick | Ryan Joseph Willen |
| Ryan Fitzpatrick | 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.sasnct.org
Principal, Mr. Bardhyl Gjoka/ Secretary, Jeanne Bearden

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 18

7:00 James Roberts, John Prutzman, Anne Costello
Domdrofski, Rafael Segura, Jimmy Sullivan
9:00 John Keneally
5:30 Harold Ruffin

Tuesday, September 19

7:00 Rafael Segura
5:30 Frank Cristello

Wednesday, September 20

7:00 Msgr. Ed Karl
9:00 Joseph Lynch
5:30 Harrison Pierce, Sr.

Thursday, September 21

7:00 Philomena, Rocco, Rocky-Joe Cotoia
5:30 Joseph Pascale

Friday, September 22

7:00 Lena Mase
9:00 Audrey Harrington
5:30 Dominick Malizia

Saturday, September 23

7:00 Marita Hickey
5:30 Dennis Sullivan

Sunday, September 24

7:00 Maria Marcantonio
8:30 Patricia Dill
10:00 Eileen Flynn
11:30 Michael Crocitto
5:00 Saint Aloysius Parishioners

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 9/15—9/21/17

The **Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle** for
John L. Patten
The **Mary Sanctuary candle** for
Joseph Sabato
The **Chapel candle** for
Michael Havard

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

SUNDAY, September 10, 2017: \$18,934
Online giving for the week: \$6,432
TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$25,366
LAST YEAR: \$23,374

SECOND COLLECTION-HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF-\$17,903



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Forgiveness 101

The gracious king in this Sunday’s Gospel forgives readily. God forgives readily. We don’t. Instead, we hold grudges, avoid the person, reel with resentment, and crucify the one who “did me wrong” on the cross of gossip. God’s ability to forgive so freely is part of God’s being. In fact, God *expects* that forgiveness is a part of our being. Consider a phrase of the Lord’s Prayer where forgiveness on our part is *assumed*: “forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.”

So how do we learn to forgive with the same kind of abandon that God forgives? One way is to watch what God does in the lives of those who forgive. Do you remember that moment when Pope Saint John Paul went to a Roman prison and forgave the man who tried to kill him?

The recent hurricanes gave many of us a renewed sense of perspective and what is important. That sense of perspective and priorities was demonstrated by the gratitude of survivors who experienced material loss: “We have lost everything including our home, but we are thankful to be standing here talking to you. We will rebuild when we can.”

That gift of perspective should therefore move us to say, “I suffered because of a wrong done to me, but I forgive because I need to be free of the burden of holding a grudge so that I can do what God wants me to do next. And I need to free the other person from the prison of resentment into which I have placed him.”

In sum, here’s how to forgive:
Name the person you need to forgive. Ask God to bless that person. Forgive him or her. Enjoy the freedom you feel. Repeat as necessary – at least seventy-seven times.

I’m praying for you.

Father Rob

Marriage Banns:

Banns I: Kathryn Elizabeth Walsh and Sean Conroy Hamlin
Banns III: Cecily Dwyer Pierce and Jorge Alberto Torres

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Parishioners:

Kayla Brielle Martin, Beckett Joseph Icenhower

We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Smith Family, Finnerty Family, Hoytink Family, Maria, Carmelo & Carmela Caratozzolo, Joseph Papallo, Doherty Family, Varacchi Family



Religious Education

Grades 1-6:

Classes follow the regular schedule this week

Sunday, September 17 is Catechetical Sunday. Today we acknowledge the contribution and commitment of all of our volunteer catechists who so generously give of their time to pass along the faith to our parish children. They have full-time jobs, many family obligations and outside activities. Yet, they have heard the call of their Baptism, responded positively ... and for this we are grateful. It is because of these wonderful men and women that we can offer religious education each week. Please say thank you to your child's catechist this week, and let us all pray for them every day!

Parents of Second Graders please mark your calendars and plan to attend the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 24. At this Commitment Mass, we will worship together, as we pledge to assist our children in preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Please Note: We will distribute the 2nd Grade Sacrament Preparation Booklet, which will help you to help your children in their understanding. This booklet also contains all relevant dates for the Sacraments and any additional programs you will be asked to attend that are specific to 2nd grade.

REMINDER: Construction is set to begin across from our Church. If you are the parent of a 1st -4th grader, please come into the parking lot, park your car and walk your children to the classroom. Please follow the same procedure for pick up. **THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN.** You may enter where it says SCHOOL ENTRANCE. All other doors will be locked. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Books will be going home with your children. Please be sure they bring their books to class each week.



All students should have been notified of the date of their first Confirmation class. Level 2 students are continuing with their Level 1 class. Level 1 students have been assigned a class. Please contact Marie Osterndorf, 203-652-1173 or at confirmation@starcc.com if you have any questions.

Level 2 students should bring their completed sponsor forms as well as their Chosen textbook to their next class.

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.

(Sessions in Stapleton Hall. Important info about the Sacrament of Confirmation will be given out at the meetings. If you have children in both Level 1 & 2 you only need to attend the Level 2 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



Ride the St. A's bus to join Bishop for Mass in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, a procession and dedication of a shrine to

Our Lady in honor of all youth! We are arranging for a student parishioner to give our teens a short tour of Catholic University, so this is a great way to do a college visit! Details, cost and sign up at www.signupgenius.com.

Blessing of Drivers on Sunday, Sept. 24 at the 5:00 p.m. Teen Mass. Teens who have their learners permits or licenses will be invited up during Mass for a special Blessing of Teen Drivers. Immediately following Mass, our clergy will be available outside to bless the vehicles of all drivers. Help remind your teen that God is with them each and every moment and in all places of their lives!



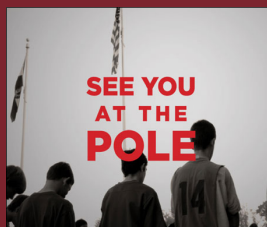
High school teens
needed to be the face
of Christ to our
brothers and sisters!

Thursday, Sept. 21: New Covenant 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!

Saturday, Sept. 30: Visit to Thorpe Kids in the Bronx

Be a buddy for a child at Thorpe as we teach them about sportsmanship and kindness through themed activities and skits. Bring a sports jersey to give to one of the kids!



See You at the Pole:

On Wednesday, September 27, come join with your peers from all denominations around the flag pole at New Canaan High School at 7am as we pray together before school. Donuts and Juice boxes served!

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The 6th and final apparition of our Blessed Mother occurred on October 13, 1917.

As she had promised, God performed a miracle through Our Blessed Mother. It had been raining for two days but that did not stop both the faithful and the doubters to come to the Cova to witness the promised miracle.

Our Blessed Mother appeared to the children and instructed them to encourage people to pray and repent. She revealed herself under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary.

As our Lady rose toward the east she turned the palms of her hands toward the dark sky. While the rain had stopped, dark clouds continued to obscure the sun, which suddenly burst through them and was seen to be a soft spinning disk of silver. The sun then began to "dance" and spin while illuminating multiple colors. To some it appeared to be hurling towards earth!

As this was happening, Lucia had a vision of the mysteries of the Rosary. At the conclusion of what came to be known as "The Miracle of the Sun" the 70,000 people discovered that the muddy and rain soaked ground was dry, as was their wet clothing.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Blood Pressure Screenings/Quiet Room After All Masses this weekend

- Sun., Sept 17: 11 AM: Coffee Social/Stapleton Hall
2:00PM: YM Breakthrough Options/Stapleton
6:00PM: Teen Lector Dinner/Stapleton Hall
- Mon., Sept 18: 9AM & 7PM: Level 2 Confirmation Parents /
Stapleton Hall
7:00 PM: WWP Leadership Mtg./Maple St.
7:30PM: Knights of Columbus/Tudor House
- Tues. Sept 19: 9:00 AM: WWP Rosary Open to All/Chapel
9:30 AM: VIRTUS Training/Stapleton Hall
7:00 PM: College Care Pkgs./Stapleton Hall
- Wed., Sept 20: 9AM & 7PM: Level 1 Confirmation Parents /
Stapleton
12:15 PM: Lunchtime Rosary Open to All/
Chapel
- Thurs., Sept 21: 9:30 AM: YM & Catholic Daughters New
Covenant Soup Cooking/Stapleton Hall
5:30 PM: Couples Ministry/Church/Stapleton
- Fri., Sept 22: 7:30 AM: Adoration/Chapel
- Sat., Sept. 23: 7:00 AM: Bus Departure for Bishop's
Pilgrimage to Washington D.C.
7:30 AM: Men's Fellowship/Maple Street

FAITH, FUN and FRIENDSHIP

Interested in learning more about our parish? New or just returning? Would you like to meet some new people?

**Mark your calendar to visit with us at the
St. Aloysius Ministry Fair**

September 30 & October 1 - After all the Masses

Lauralton Hall will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 1, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Entrance Exam will be Saturday, October 14 or 21 at 8:00 a.m. Pre-register at www.lauraltonhall.org.

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.

VIRTUS TRAINING HERE AT ST. ALOYSIUS 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.

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 27 or 28**. All servers **MUST** attend one of these sessions!

Blood Pressure Screening This Weekend

The parish nurses will be taking blood pressure screenings after all masses this weekend-September 16 & 17. 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

Mother Teresa's Closet is open!



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 September 30.

We are also starting to collect men's jeans and hooded sweatshirts for our October Breakfast Run.

Thank you . . . to all who donated backpacks, school supplies and especially to our families with their young disciples who came together in our "Never Too Young to Serve" packing service event! We packed over 50 backpacks that have been shared with children in need at the Norwalk Department of Children & Family Services & Catholic Charities Thomas Merton Food Pantry.



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 welcome. In addition to presenting music every Sunday, September - June, the choir presents an annual Advent-Christmas concert and sings for solemnities/feasts. Contact: Dr. John Michniewicz at 652-1180 or Dr.JohnM@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. 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.

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.

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 saintaloyusiemmaus@gmail.com.

*Team Meetings: Sundays at 2:30 pm
October 1, 8, 22, 29 & November 5*

PONTIFICAL MISSIONS
Diocese of Bridgeport, CT, USA

Monday, 28 August 2017
St. Aloysius Parish
40 Male Street
New Canaan, CT 06840

Dear Parishioners of St. Aloysius ,

I thank your Parish Community for your donation of \$9,457.30 for the 2017 Pontifical Mission Co-Op good works. These funds assist the works of so many of our faith family in both Latin and Eastern Churches in Third World Countries.

Your gift will be used to further the charitable outreach to countless hundreds of our brothers and sisters in these areas. This work of the Lord assists in providing basic human needs, e.g.: food, clothing, housing, etc.; and also helps train leadership personnel.

Please know that your gift advances the fundamental ministry of making the Good News of Christ felt by many. I pray that Christ will continually bless your parish. One with you,

In Christ Jesus,

Fr. Michael A. Boccaccio,
Director

MAB: egb

Over 30? Please join us at The Upper Room at Columbus Park Trattoria, located at 205 Main Street, Stamford, for "Immigration & the Church" presented by Fr. Leszek Szymaszek, Pastor, St. Paul Parish, Greenwich on **Monday, September 25 from 7:30-9:30 p.m.** Hosted by The Priests of St. John the Evangelist Basilica