Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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September 24, 2017

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fall Homecoming Fest

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 Children (age 10 and under)-\$5.

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)

Ministry Fair

Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1 After all the Masses in the School Gym

FAITH, FUN and FRIENDSHIP

Interested in learning more about our parish?

New or just returning?

Would you like to meet some new people?

Refreshments will be served.

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

Questions? Contact Christina Altier at caltier52@gmail.com



Sunday, October 1 1:30 p.m. Cherry Street Front Lawn of Church

Deacon Steve and our Catholic Parents Connect ministry invite all parishioners, especially families to come join us for this thirty minute blessing which will feature a visit from "St. Francis" as he shares his story to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis! Ice cream will be served afterwards!

We ask that all pets be on leashes, held or in their cages or bowls!



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-<u>RPhelan@starcc.com</u> John Palma, Pastoral Assistant for Administration, Email - <u>ipalma@starcc.com</u>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

Phone: (203) 966- 4555
Marie Pascale Vandall, Director
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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 - <u>DrJohnM@starcc.com</u> 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.

Patrick Pantalone PLEASE PRAY FOR: Judy Garcia Garo Garabedian Harrison Perlev Eileen Apy Karen Bicknese Angelo Gesualdi Dorothy Pojasek Carol Gianattasio Iracema Galvani Quinete Gladys Borodich **Dolores Haas Barton Rappaport** Catherine Buonaiuto Joan Harmody Pete Roux Sean Butler

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Tony Cantone James Heffner David Ruksznis
Addison Jane Carestia Jeanne Hersam Paul Ruddy
Fr. William Carey Carol Hollister Maria Cielo Sanchez
Claire Carter Cecile Howard Shirley Sapione

Jean Cerbini JoAnn Karagianes John Silk
Pamela Chatterton-Purdy Mary Katawa Ali Simon
Pat (Pasquale) Conte Father Bernie Keefe Lynda Ann Slovik

Lucia CusatoJoan KellyJoseph Squeglia, Jr.Anthony DeFeoCarol KingGeorgia SweeneyDeirdre DesmondChristopher KotosSzenasi FamilySandy DiGilioMary MaherChristopher Tarzia, Jr.

Patricia Molloy Liam Terrio Frank DiMuzio Fanny Mao Joan Toppin Jean DiPanni Anna Totaro Donald McQuid Kathleen Dooley Jon Morrison Rita Troshynski Monique Elliot Louis G. Nappi Kathleen Turpin Daniel Fitzgerald Patrick O'Kane Ryan Joseph Willen

Tommy FitzPatrick Patrick O'Kane Ryan Joseph V Ryan Fitzpatrick Lori Paladino 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, September 25

7:00 Jack Engel

9:00 Mary Jane Perry

5:30 Nellie Burns

Tuesday, September 26

7:00 Carmel Carroll

5:30 Paul Wesoly

Wednesday, September 27

7:00 Elizabeth Riordan Raybaud

9:00 Amy Malizia

5:30 Joseph S. DeFrancesco

Thursday, September 28

7:00 Hugh Murtagh

5:30 Annunziata Colella

Friday, September 29

7:00 Rafael Segura

9:00 Anthony & Martha Polemeni,

Michael & Mary Hegarty

5:30 Maria Socci

Saturday, September 30

7:00 Elaine O'Brien

5:30 Saint Aloysius Parishioners

Sunday, October 1

7:00 Rafael Segura 8:30 Ida Mae Ohanian

10:00 Martha & Richard Mashia

11:30 Sheila Meredith

5:00 Molly & Rachel Keshin

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn from 9/22—9/28/17

The **Sacred Heart Sanctuary candle** for

John Sandstrom

The Mary Sanctuary candle for

Vincent Fortunato

The Chapel candle for

Saint Aloysius Parishioners

St. Aloysius - A Tithing Parish

TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

SUNDAY, September 17, 2017: \$21,018

Online giving for the week: \$4,281 TOTAL OFFERTORY: \$25,299 LAST YEAR: \$25,540

SECOND COLLECTION-HURRICANE IRMA RELIEF-\$11,153



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

The Saint Aloysius Pastoral Council

On Sunday September 10 at the 5:00 PM Mass I drew the names of twelve parishioners who will comprise the Saint Aloysius Pastoral Council. It was a very powerful and moving moment for me, and I am grateful to all who placed their names in the box. Along with our two parish trustees, these twelve will participate in a very intentional discernment about the life of our parish.

As my primary advisors, the council members will commit to discerning the movement of the Holy Spirit and give counsel on how the Saint Aloysius community can draw closer to Christ, live as witnesses to the truth of the Gospel, and serve in charity. Beginning with our first meeting (October 14), the council will pray daily for one another and the parishioners of Saint Aloysius. In addition, they will be available to you to listen to your prayerful discernment about our parish. The council members will be given a journal in which to write the fruit of their prayer about the parish. other inspirations, and YOUR thoughts, prayers, and promptings. Seek them out so that they can hear what you have to say. And please pray for the council: that they may reflect honorably on our past, take note of the joys and challenges of the present, and create - with God - the future that is His desire. Thank you for your faithfulness, and never hesitate to share what you believe that God is asking of our wonderful parish!

The 2017-2019 Saint Aloysius Pastoral Council

Christina Altier, Christine Dombrowski Ayoub, Melanie Barnard, John Emert, Susan Engel, Tom Galgano, Christine Hussey (Trustee), Jennifer Anne Joyce, Leo Karl (Trustee), Colette LeBrun, Mike McGlinn, James G. McKeon, Yves Moutran, Steve Schlegel

Have a blessed week!

Father Rob

Marriage Banns:

Banns I: Michelle Petrucci and Alexander Sandland Banns II: Kathryn Elizabeth Walsh and Sean Conroy Hamlin

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Parishioners: Ashlyn Emerson Miller. Owen Michael Costello

We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Michelle Cardone and Family, Natoli Family, Oliveira Family

Sr. Donna Brodman 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.



Religious Education

Classes follow the regular schedule this week.

This Sunday at the 10 a.m. Mass we specifically welcome our 2nd graders and their parents. Today, at this "Commitment Mass", by their presence, parents promise to prepare their children to come to know Jesus' love and forgiveness through the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Please be sure to pick up your Sacramental Preparation Handbook after Mass. Looking Ahead: All students who attend SUNDAY classes are asked to attend the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday October 8. as together we unite our praise and thanksgiving to Christ's perfect self-offering on the cross. Children should be seated with their families.



Our students were treated to a visit by St. Michael, the Archangel, on the first day of religious ed classes. As part of our opening prayer service, St. Michael spoke to students and parents about the role of angels as messengers and servants of God. As the defender of the faith and of the church, St Michael shared the prayer that invokes his protection and strength in our every day challenges. We sincerely thank Shafer Jones, a NCHS senior, for his wonderful portrayal of this great Archangel and Saint.



Most classes have started. The rest will be meeting this week. You should have a copy of your child's class calendar. Every class has its own schedule so please make sure that you understand where and when your child's class meets.

Level 2

Your child's Sponsor Form is due by October 15th. Please make sure your Child brings it to class by then. Your child's Catechist will give them a Sponsor's Guide that should be mailed directly to the Sponsor. Please remember the Sponsor has a very important role in your child's Confirmation preparation and the guide is very useful. The Sponsor Form is available on our website.

Level 1

We will be collecting for Project 1000 at all of the Saturday/ Sunday Masses next weekend. Spots are still available to help. Please go to http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aba822a2fd0-collect1 to sign up. Thank you in advance for your help with this important project.



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

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



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!

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 teen-friendly 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!



T.G.I.F. – THANK GOODNESS ITS FRIDAY TRY SPENDING A FRIDAY NIGHT HANGING OUT WITH OUR LORD & OTHER CATHOLIC TEENS! Friday, September 29 OPEN TO 7th — 12th GRADERS

Our evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Stapleton Hall with pizza, fun and fellowship, followed by a very teen friendly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with some of our high school teens leading. After our Holy Hour, feel free to go on to your other social plans at 8:30 pm or come back to Stapleton Hall until 9:00 pm for dessert! Please sign up (so we know how much pizza to order) at www.signupgenius.com, locating the sign up under "youth@starcc.com"

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



If you would like to participate in the First Saturday Devotion, as requested by both Jesus and Our Blessed Mother Mary at Fatima, please mark the following dates on your calendar:

October 7th (Feast of the Holy Rosary)

November 4th December 2nd Jan. 6th ("Little Christmas") February 3rd

To honor and participate in the request, please do the following on each First Saturday:

Go to Confession Go to Mass

(offer up your Communion in honor of Mary's Immaculate Heart) Pray the Rosary

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 church & chapel)

Mother Teresa's Closet is open!

We welcome gently used fall and winter clothing for men, women and children with a 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.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun., Sept 24: 10 AM: Rel. Ed. Grade 2 Sacrament

Commitment Mass/Church

11 AM: Coffee Social/Stapleton Hall 5:00PM: Blessing of Teen Drivers/Church

9:00 AM and 7PM: WWP /Stapleton Tues. Sept 26:

7:00 PM: Pastoral Planning/Maple Street

7:00 AM: YM-See You at the Pole/NC High Wed., Sept 27:

> 12:15 PM: Lunchtime Rosary /Chapel 4:15PM: Altar Server Training/Church 7:30PM: Emmaus Leadership Mtg./

Maple St.

4:15PM: Altar Server Training/Church Thurs., Sept 28:

6:00PM: Inner City Foundation/Stapleton

7:30 AM: Adoration/Chapel Fri., Sept 29:

7:00 PM: Pizza & Praise/Stapleton & Church

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

6:30PM: Ministry Fair/After Mass/Gym



Open House and First Connect Coffee Tuesday, September 26, 9:30 - 11:30 am or 7:00 - 8:30 pm Stapleton Hall

Want to know what Walking With Purpose is all about? Please join us for our Open House/Connect Coffee

Our two studies this year are: "Opening Your Heart" for women new to Walking With Purpose

"Touching the Divine" for returning women

Come as you are for coffee, refreshments, video and **conversation** and find out why this program is quickly growing throughout the country!

Registrations will be taken

Moms with young children at home: we have **free babysitting** for our morning session!

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!

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.

Catholic Daughters: We need YOU to help US help others! Upcoming Events

Parish Ministry Fair: Sept. 30 and Oct.1 after all Masses. Stop by and say hello and see what we do .

Meeting: Oct. 5, 7:30 pm Stapleton Hall. All women invited. **Homecoming:** Oct. 7 after 5:30pm Mass. Join us for a BBQ. Bring a desert to share.

CDA Mass & Breakfast: Sunday, Oct. 15, 8:30am Mass. Breakfast to follow at Oak Hills, Norwalk. \$25. Guests welcome.

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. In addition, our children will be given the opportunity to work together to create a communal art piece for display in the room. Go to www.signupgenius.com, locating the donation under "youth@starcc.com" and sign up to help in some way! Questions, contact project coordinators, Adrienne Fulk (adrienne.fulk@gmail.com) or Kelly Lavigne (kellyclavigne@yahoo.com).



Register for our 74th Teen Emmaus

Apply as a candidate if you are a teen in grades10-12 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.

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

WEEKLY ADORATION

Fridays 7:30am – 5:30pm

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/30e0a49aea62ca0fa7spring/9470182 or call Gretchen at 203-247-2739.

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 Living Rosary Devotion



The Living Rosary devotion has been rescheduled to Friday, October 13, at 7 P.M. in honor of the 100th anniversary of final appearance of Our Lady at Fatima to the three children in 1917. Please take note of the change of date and time.

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 any questions or need a ride, call Melanie Barnard at 203-561-3050.