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Third Sunday of Advent - December 11, 2022

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: Vigil for Sunday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m. , 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 $\,$

p.m.

The Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass is live-streamed, recorded and

available on the Parish Website: www.starcc.com

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Chapel

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

In case of an **emergency** requiring a priest, please call the parish office: 203-966-0020 and follow the prompts

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The Third Sunday of Advent

This Week's Calendar of Advent Events

Saturday, December 10

4:00 PM – 4:45 P.M. Reconciliation in the Chapel

6:30 P.M. Misa en Español

Monday, December 12 Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation

for **Teens** 7 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday -	December 12, 2022
7:00 a.m.	Susanne Braccia
5:30 p.m.	Stefano Vitti
Tuesday -	December 13, 2022
7:00 a.m.	John Hickey
5:30 p.m.	John Chaffee
Wednesday -	December 14, 2022
7:00 a.m.	James Julian
5:30 p.m.	Joan Altier
Thursday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	December 15, 2022 Sophie Moorman, St. Aloysius Parishioners Fred and Anna D'Antoni
Friday -	December 16, 2022
7:00 a.m.	Paul Sleppy
5:30 p.m.	Claudia Monaco
Saturday -	December 17, 2022
7:00 a.m.	Margaux M. Lovell
5:00 p.m.	William P. Schloth
Sunday -	December 18, 2022
7:00 a.m.	Katherine E. and Stephen J. Horan
8:30 a.m.	Ann Trotta
10:00 a.m.	Claudia Monaco
11:30 a.m.	Cecilia Carugan
5:00 p.m.	Gregory Hine

We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioners:

Carter Paul Kast Benjamin William Howard

Please Pray for the Deceased:

Lawrence Byrne Richardo Martin Casanova

The Parish Offices will be closed starting, Friday, December 23rd and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

As always, a priest is available every day and night in case of emergencies.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Bulletin and Eblast Submissions Deadlines

- Eblast submissions are due by Monday at 3 p.m.
- Bulletin submissions are due by Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Email to: bulletin@starcc.com

~ Please Pray For ~

Please let us know if you see a name that should be removed from this list because their circumstances have changed.

Maria Alvarado, Michele and Kurt Babyak, Benjamin Barresi, Margaret "Peg" Brewer, Rose Burke, Anthony Burrows, John J. Butler, Michael Buzzeo, Tony Cantone, Addison Jane Carestia, Lois Cawley, Luz Celit, Pamela Chatterton-Purdy, Brian Cristello, Lucia Cusato, Tina Cusimano, Michael DeCarlo, Rick Daniels, Audrey Dertinger, Deirdre Desmond, Matthew DeVaney, Kathleen Dooley, Caragh Dougherty, Aidan Duver, Madeline Dwyer, Monique Elliot, John Emert, Michael Fallon, Rinda Farnham, Mark Dale Ferguson, Owen Fitzgerald, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Angela Franco, Maria Franco, Henry Frank, Paula Lynn Fuegner, Ging Galindo, Judy Garcia, Garo Garabedian, John Gaffney, Vilma Gaudio-Carollo, Franco Gencarelli, Carol Gianattasio, Kathy Grove, Ruth Gutt, James Heffner, D.J. Holland, Carol Hollister, Olivia Hurley, Juan Invernon, Maria Invernon, Sarah Jessie, Danny Jones, William K., Mary Katawa, Carol King, Michael Kiernan, Maryann Knag, Christopher Kotos, Al Latte, Jose Lavana, Vicki LeBris, Sandra Lefler, Luke Lerner, Pam Libertiny, Joanne Liscio, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Debbie B. Lyon, Mary Maher, Fanny Mao, Dan Mao, Rachel Mawardi, Liz McKay, Sarah McNulty, Donald McQuid, Jon Morrison, Dell Murphy, Louis G. Nappi, Scott Nicholas, John O'Connor, Patrick O'Kane, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Andrew Parisi, Harrison Perley, Austin Jack Pieck, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Nora Radocea, Barton Rappaport, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Shirley Rogers, Jeanne Ruddock, Molly Russo, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Rudolph John Sandor, Reggie Santella, Diane Santulli, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Karen Scigliano, Lynda Ann Slovik, Paul Sorge, Sr., John Strba, Georgia Sweeney, Mike Szarpa, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia Jr., Ignatius Thompson, Marlene Socci Tiani, Kathleen Turpin, Margot Vaughan, Dominick Anthony Vento, J. Richard Weber, Martha Wieber, Ryan Joseph Willen, Alex Wood and all who are affected by COVID-19.

Please pray for those serving in the military:

1st Lt. Morgan Carson; CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; 2nd Lt. Paul Corapi; Lt. Col. Neil Dolan; Captain Brian Gerardi; Sgt. Patrick Joseph Hussey; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; 1st Lt. Andrew Scott; 1st Lt. Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn this week in memory of

Robert S. Kinsey

Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle

Barbara Jean Lapolla

Mary Sanctuary Candle

Carmelo Gentile

Chapel Candle



Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Understanding the Mass - The Concluding Rites

After the prayer after Communion is offered, announcements may be made. The celebrant then blesses the people assembled. Sometimes the blessing is very simple. On special days, the blessing may be more extensive, and often the assembly is asked to bow their heads and respond "Amen" to each of the blessing petitions. In every case, the blessing always concludes "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." It is in the triune God and in the sign of the cross that we find our blessing.

After the blessing, the deacon (or priest if there is no deacon) dismisses the people. In fact, the dismissal gives the liturgy its name. The word "Mass" comes from the Latin word, "Missa." At one time, the people were dismissed with the words "Ite, missa est," meaning "Go, you are sent. The word "Missa" comes from the word "missio," the root of the English word "mission." The liturgy does not simply come to an end. Those assembled are sent forth to bring the fruits of the Eucharist to the world.

In the Diocese of Bridgeport, the Prayer to Saint Michael is recited after the dismissal. This additional prayer was added by Bishop Caggiano to ask Saint Michael, the Archangel, to protect all in the diocese from evil as we navigate a complicated world. And by the way, did you notice the Saint Michael statue in the narthex? It was a gift to our parish, and I have noticed that there are more than a few candles lit in front of Saint Michael. In a special way, the statue is dedicated to our police and other first-responders who work so hard to protect and care for us here in New Canaan.

This concludes our brief walk through the Mass. In future columns I will mention a few other interesting facts about the Mass, especially as our country engages in a Eucharistic revival under the leadership of our bishops.

On this Gaudete Sunday, may you rejoice more heartily as the great feast of Christmas draws near.

Father Rob

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:00 PM Church with Children's Pageant

immediately following Mass

4:00 PM St. Aloysius School Gymnasium

5:30 PM Church

7:30 PM Church

Midnight Church - Carols with the Choir

beginning at 11:30 PM

December 25th - Christmas Day

7:00 AM Mass 8:30 AM Mass 10:00 AM Mass 11:30 AM Mass

* No evening Mass on Christmas Day.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

- Saturday, December 10th: 4pm 4:45pm in the Chapel
- Monday, December 12th: 7pm 8pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation for **Teens**
- Saturday, December 17th: 4pm 4:45pm in the Chapel
- <u>Thursday, December 22nd</u>: 6:30pm 7:30pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation for **Young Adults**
- Friday, December 23rd: 7:30pm 8:30pm in the Chapel

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish

TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

Sunday, December 4, 2022
Online Giving for the week:
TOTAL OFFERTORY:

\$16,740 \$9,817 \$26,557

LAST YEAR:

\$36,757



Second Collection this weekend is for the Retirement Fund for Religious

~ Religious Education ~

Saint Aloysius Parish Religious Education

Religious Education

Confirmation

Thank you to all that participated in the Living Nativity last Friday night! The story of the birth of Jesus was so beautifully presented to our town, by actors, singers, musicians, animals and a wonderful narrator.



Luke 2:19 And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

















~ Youth Ministry ~



Sign up to attend at: Advent Teen Adoration

How Can You Serve Others in this season of Advent?

Saturday, December 17th
Breakfast with Santa at Thorpe in the Morning
Sign up at: Youth Ministry: Breakfast with Santa Thorpe
Christmas Caroling to the Elderly in the Afternoon
Sign up at: Youth Ministry: Christmas Caroling to Seniors

Sunday, December 18th
Santa Breakfast Run into NYC to Feed & Clothe the Homeless
Sign up at: Breakfast Run with Santa - 2022















Our teens have been busy praying and serving! A beautiful intentional rosary where we prayed for a specific intention for each Hail Mary, a visit to the Village at Waveny to pray the rosary, a mother/daughter Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion team commissioned, as well as a teen reader, fellowship with our St. A's Buddies and a partnership with former Catholic Daughters to bring back the STAR Christmas party for special need adults.

~ Parish News ~

SAINT ALOYSIUS We Stand with Christ

CAMPAIGN

We Stand with Christ Campaign and Project for Saint Aloysius

Dear Friends,

We are moving upward toward our goal, and I humbly ask that if you haven't pledged yet, you will pray about making a sacrificial gift at the end of the year. Please remember that pledges can be made over a five-year period. Thank you for your generosity!

- You may have noticed the demolition notifications in the press and on the 30 Maple Street building and on the school. Our neighbors have been notified, and we are hopeful that we can move forward soon.
- We are waiting for the final word on our timing with the Planning and Zoning board.
- Measurements and locations have been finalized for the new heating and air-conditioning system in the church, and the equipment is on order.
- We continue to tweak rooms and other spaces in the new facilities
- I have requested \$150,000 from the Town of New Canaan to assist us in launching our new Pre-K program. The monies are available from US Government ARPA funding. If you think having a pre-K program is a good idea for our town, don't hesitate to write to the New Canaan Town Council!

Let's aim for 100% participation: every gift – large or small – makes a difference in transforming our campus!

Gratefully,

Father Rob

Pledge Here



This weekend, is Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, we will be celebrating Bamibinelli Sunday.



Bring your baby Jesus from your nativity scene for a special blessing at the 10:00am Mass.

During the seasons of Advent and Christmas, many of us display the Nativity scene in our homes. This custom depicting the birth of Christ owes its origin to St. Francis of Assisi, who made the Christmas creche for Christ on Christmas Eve in 1223. This manger reminds us of the humble birth of Christ.

Pope John Paul II began the tradition of Bambinelli Sunday during his papacy to remind families about the joyous event of Baby Jesus' arrival in the manger. On that day children gather with their families in St. Peter's Square during the noontime Angelus prayer and bring figures of the Christ Child from their family's Nativity scene. Pope Francis blesses the children and the figurines they have brought.



Next Weekend....

Please bring all Christmas Star gifts to <u>Stapleton Hall</u> and join us for a

Saturday, December 17th 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

~ or ~

Coffee and Donuts
Sunday, December 18th
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Please bring us all gifts before 11 a.m.

Starships will begin deliveries on December 18th at approximately 10:30 a.m.



NEW CANAAN FOOD PANTRY

PLEASE ADD THESE ITEMS TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST EACH WEEK AND DROP THEM IN THE BACK ENTRY OF THE CHURCH ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE CHAPEL.

LIP BALM, LOTION, TISSUES
PAPER TOWELS
CLEANING SUPPLIES
HOT CHOCOLATE
SALSA & MAYONNAISE
KNORR DRY PASTA SIDE PACKETS
COOKING OILS

NEW COVENANT CENTER

DROP IN FRONT OF THE MARY STATUE 9-10AM ON MONDAYS!

CASES OF BOTTLED WATER
GATORADE
INDIVIDUAL SERVING SIZE
COOKIES
GOLDFISH & CHIPS
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New Covenant Sandwich Making/DonationsSign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-feed36

~ Parish News ~

December 18th Breakfast Run into NYC



We are headed back into NYC for our annual December Breakfast Run with Santa to feed and clothe our homeless brothers and sisters on the streets of New York.

Donate a Bag filled with a new men's hooded sweatshirt, a new pair of men's sweats and a new pair of men's underwear and socks - ALL the same size in one bag. Please also enclose a note of inspiration, encouragement and cheer!

If you would prefer to sponsor a bag of clothing for \$30 and we will do the shopping. Just send a check made out to St. Aloysius for \$30 to the attention of Chris Otis or use Youth Ministry Donations online giving at the link below, noting it is for the breakfast run. Youth Ministries Donations

Toiletry Kits Needed

Fill a gallon-sized Ziploc bag with travel size shampoo, conditioner, body soap, body lotion, Kleenex, toothpaste, a toothbrush, razor and deodorant. Please also enclose a note of inspiration, encouragement and cheer!

Items can be dropped in the bin on the front porch of the Tudor House before December 15th.

NEVER TOO YOUNG TO SERVE

Parents & Children pre-school to 6th grade Join us to as we LOVE the elderly in the parish!

Saturday, December 17th

1:30 pm Meet in the Gym to create goodies for our senior parishioners 2:30 pm Parents and children invited to caravan to the homes of our elderly parishioners for Christmas caroling with our teens! Limited spots for caroling team!

Reserve your famiy spot at:





Mother Teresa's Closet

Mother Teresa's Closet is now open by appointment at a time convenient for you.



There is a great need for heavy winter clothing including coats, boots, hats, etc. for all ages. Please check your closets and donate. Complete guidelines are available on our church website at www.starcc.com/118

To schedule an appointment between December 12th- December 18th, please contact Judi Anders at judianders@sbcglobal.net or call 203-858-1412.

Wellness Ministry December 15th at 6:15 p.m. in the Chapel Are you experiencing chronic or challenging health issues? Are you caring for a loved one with health challenges? You are invited to join our group for a time of prayerful encouragement and mutual support. Join Father David as we explore the positive power of Scripture applied to health challenges. If you have any questions please reach out to Father David: frdavid@starcc.com

The Saint Aloysius Music Ministry Presents our Twenty-Second Annual

Advent-Christmas Concert

with Choirs and Orchestra



Sunday, December 18, 2022 at 2:00 PM Saint Aloysius Church, New Canaan, CT Freewill Offering Accepted Adult Choir and Youth Choir

Reception immediately following performance

The Christmas Giving Box

The Christmas Giving Box is located on a column in the narthex of the Church. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to "Saint Alovsius Church" and note the words "Giving Box" in the memo.



Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.

~ Parish News ~



St. Aloysius Parish Women's Bible Study Walking With Purpose Program



Join like-minded sisters in faith as we come to know Jesus Christ more personally, and learn how to experience all that God has in store for us through our Catholic faith! All are invited

Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 11:30 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

For more information, visit www.starcc.com/WWP

Questions? Email the Leadership Team at wwpstaloysius@gmail.com

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St. Aloysius Scouts BSA Troop 45



Are you interested in learning more about the Scouting program at St. Aloysius? If so, all prospective Scouts and their families are welcome to join Troop 45 Scout families at our holiday reception and mixer on Tuesday, December 20th from 7-8:30pm at Stapleton Hall.

Contact Scoutmaster (& Eagle Scout) Keith Duggar at (617) 270-4535 or Scoutmaster@newcanaan45.mytroop.us for more information.





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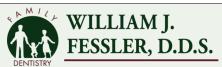
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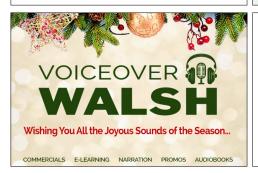
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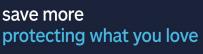
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