

Saint Aloysius

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

New Canaan, Connecticut 203-966-0020 • www.starcc.com • & Accessible First Sunday of Advent - November 27, 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: <u>www.starcc.com</u>

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

CLERGY & STAFF

Rev. Robert M. Kinnally, Pastor <u>frrob@starcc.com</u> Rev. David W. Franklin, Parochial Vicar <u>frfranklin@starcc.com</u> Rev. David Roman, Parochial Vicar <u>frdavid@starcc.com</u> Rev. Timothy J. Scannell, Weekend Assistant Rev. Robert A. Uzzilio, In Residence Deacon William A. Santulli <u>santulliw@starcc.com</u>

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PARISH TRUSTEES

Christine Hussey, Trustee Stephen Schlegel, Trustee Leo E. Karl, Jr., Trustee Emeritus



~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	November 28, 2022 Kurt Lametta Sophie Moorman
Tuesday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	November 29, 2022 Jane Ryan Patrick Grosso
Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	November 30, 2022 St. Aloysius Parishioners Mary Elizabeth Staudt
Thursday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	December 1, 2022 Sophie Moorman Mary Elizabeth Staudt
Friday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	December 2, 2022 Mario Socci Eva Heidemann
Saturday - 7:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	December 3, 2022 Michael Volpe William Swain
Sunday - 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	December 4, 2022 Rose and Leo Karl, Sr. Dominick DiFulvio Dila Gazivoda Margaret Galgano John P. Walsh, Sr.

Marriage Banns: III - Mara Upson and Greg Mulvaney

Christmas Mass Schedule

	December 24th -	· Christmas Eve		
	4:00 PM	Church with Children's Pageant		
I		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		
I	8:30 AM	Mass		
	10:00 AM	Mass		
	11:30 AM	Mass		
	* No evening Mass on Christmas Day.			

~ 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, Eileen Apy, 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, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Karen Scigliano, Lynda Ann Slovik, Paul Sorge, Sr., Judy Johnson Spadaccini, 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

Paul Cullen (Living) Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle Grace Grasso Mary Sanctuary Candle Maria Cianci Chapel Candle

Words from Father Rob Kinnally

Understanding the Mass - The Liturgy of the Eucharist, Part 2

The Eucharistic Prayer, continued. The next part of the prayer is the offering. In this part of the prayer, the priest joins the offering of this Mass to the perfect sacrifice that Jesus made on the Cross. The priest offers this sacrifice back to God the Father in thanksgiving for God's abundant gifts, particularly the gift of salvation in Christ. The priest also prays that the Holy Spirit may come upon the faithful and by receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, they themselves may become a living offering to God.

The intercessions follow; here are mentioned the Pope, the local bishop, Mary, Saint Joseph, the patron Saint of the church, and the deceased. Confident in God's loving care, the gathered assembly makes this sacrifice on behalf of the living and the dead, for the leaders of the Church and for all the faithful.

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes with the Final Doxology (a word derived from the Greek meaning "glory" or "honor"). The celebrant makes the prayer through, in, and with Jesus, in union with the Holy Spirit, and presents it to God the Father. The people respond with the Great Amen, a joyous affirmation of their faith and participation in this great sacrifice of praise.

Why-Do-We-Do-That? Fact: Why do we ring bells during the Eucharistic Prayer? Before sound amplification was installed in churches, bells were rung to alert the people to what they could not easily see or hear, so that they could attend to the important and solemn action at the altar. Today, use of the bells is optional, since language, posture and acoustics generally permit the congregation to follow the action of the Mass. Still, many parishes continue ringing bells to underscore and draw attention to the solemnity of certain moments of this great prayer: the epiclesis (or calling down of the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine) and the consecration.

A Word or Two about Advent

It's hard to believe that we are in the season of Advent! I pray that we may embrace this season of waiting with hope that is renewed in us at Christmas. I want to share with you some wisdom from Henri Nouwen about *hope*.

"Optimism and hope are radically different attitudes. Optimism is the expectation that things—the weather, human relationship, the economy, the political situation, and so on—will get better. Hope is trust that God will fulfill God's promises to us in a way that leads us to true freedom. The optimist speaks about concrete changes in the future. The person of hope lives in the moment with the knowledge and trust that all of life is in good hands."

May this Advent fill you with joyful anticipation and the consolation that God keeps His promises.

Father Rob

~ School News ~

Saint Aloysius Catholic School Holy Spirit Campus, North Stamford

MIGHTY IN WITNESS Schedule a tour today!

admissions@sasncct.org 203-966-0786, ext. 110



The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

- <u>Saturday December 3rd</u>: 9am - 11am: for **Children and Families** 4pm - 4:45pm in the Chapel
- <u>Monday December 5th</u>: 7pm 8pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation for **Adults**
- <u>Saturday December 10th</u>: 4pm 4:45pm in the Chapel
- <u>Monday December 12th</u>: 7pm 8pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation for **Teens**
- Saturday December 17th: 4pm 4:45pm in the Chapel
- <u>Monday December 22nd</u>: 7pm 8pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Reconciliation for **Young** Adults
- <u>Saturday December 23rd</u>: 7:30pm 8:30pm in the Chapel

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

Sunday, November 20, 2022	\$16,787
Online Giving for the week:	<u>\$8,742</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY:	<u>\$25,529</u>
LAST YEAR:	\$21,931

Second Collection - Health and Welfare Fund for Retired Priests of the Diocese of Bridgeport \$6,611

Online giving is now more important than ever.



Thank you!

~ Religious Education ~



Religious Education

Grades K - 6

Confessions for grades 3 through 8 will be held Saturday, December 3rd from 9am to 11am. Please arrive at the main entrance of the Church and we will direct you accordingly. This is for students who have already received their First Reconciliation.

Confirmation

Some of our Confirmation students came together to assemble stockings for the Breakfast with Santa at Thorpe Family Residence in the Bronx.









On Sunday, November 13th, 2022 the Knights of Columbus and the Scouts, Troop 45 were honored to co-sponsor the first after-Mass coffee in more than two years. It was a huge success filled with caffeine, donuts and good cheer. Both organizations look forward to hosting again in the future. The St. Aloysius council #2287 of the Knights of Columbus is a service organization that assists the church and the greater community.

If any men of the parish are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Mike LaMagna at (914) 534-1048, Michaellamagna01@gmail.com.



~ Youth Ministry ~

Before-School Feast of the Immaculate

Conception Teen Mass Thursday, December 8 at 6:55 a.m. in the church *This is a Holy Day of Obligation.* Liz Sue BEC sandwiches, bagels and breakfast bags will be served after Mass and you will be on your way to school by 7:35 am. Sign up at: <u>ImmCon</u>





The message proclaimed throughout Advent is this: prepare your hearts, for our God is sending a Savior, Emmanuel, a name which means, God-with-us.

God is ready to give us a fresh vision and the grace we need to lose self and find God. God wants to work in and through us for the greater honor and glory of God. That is why God expects great things from us, which are in fact possible by the grace of God at work in our lives.

May the Lord strengthen us to overcome temptation, participate in the Liturgy and Sacraments of the church and to persevere in our life of prayer and service in the Church. God is always ready and willing to fill us with grace, strength and power.

(excerpt from a St. Benedictine Monk)

Where is God calling YOU to PRAY, SERVE & WORSHIP to prepare for the birth of Jesus? All links under <u>youth@starcc.com</u> at: https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch

* Thursday, Dec. 1 - Advent Teen Rosary
* Saturday, Dec. 3 - Rosary at Waveny Care Center
* Saturday, Dec. 3 - St. A's Buddies Holiday Party
* Tuesday, Dec. 6 - STAR Holiday Party for Adults with Special Needs
* Thursday, Dec. 8 - Before School Teen Mass for Holy Day of Obligation
* Saturday, Dec. 10 - Rosary at Waveny Care Center
* Sunday, Dec. 11 - Holy Hoops Pick Up Basketball
* Monday, Dec. 12 - Advent Teen Adoration
* Saturday, Dec. 17 - Breakfast with Santa at Thorpe Family Residence
* Saturday, Dec. 18 - Breakfast Run into NYC
* Sunday, Dec. 18 - Holy Hoops Pick Up Basketball

~ Parish News ~

The St. Aloysius Parish Confirmation class presents:

The Living Nativity

Friday, December 2nd Performances at 6:00 pm, 6:30 pm & 7:00 pm Location: Outside on the corner of South Ave. & Cherry St.



Come see our live animals! Suitable for the entire family.





¡Misa y Celebración!

Únase a nosotros para la Misa en honor de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe seguido por nuestra Fiesta de Navidad en Stapleton Hall.

Sábado 10 de Diciembre 6:30 PM

¡CADA FAMILIA ESTÁ INVITADA A TRAER UN PLATO PARA COMPARTIR CON LA COMUNIDAD!

CHRISTMAS STARS

Stars are on the trees..

Each star *contains a family from the Bronx, Bridgeport, Norwalk, Stamford or Waterbury.* The star shows the name, age and size of each family member. Your family can have fun preparing Christmas for a needy family.

Choose a Star from a tree.
 Locate the matching color sign-up sheet.
 At your Star's #: sign your name and cell #.

<u>Full information</u> is in the white flyers in the narthex. <u>Starships</u> please sign up to deliver gifts!



Mother Teresa's Closet

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

To schedule an appointment between November 28th- December 4th, Mary Ward at mbwcdw@optonline.net or call 203-966-2529.

~ 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**, 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. <u>Youth Ministries Donations</u>

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 between December 1-15.



19th Annual St. Aloysius Choir Christmas Concert Sunday, December 18th at 2:00 PM

We are blessed to offer this concert celebrating Christ's Nativity and Birth; The concert will feature our Youth and Adult Choirs and Soloists, accompanied by a chamber orchestra. We would be most grateful if you would consider supporting the St. Aloysius Music Ministry, to help defray the costs of this special concert. All contributions will be acknowledged in the Christmas Concert Program booklet, if received by Monday, December 12th by mail or in the church office. Please include donor's names with a check to the St. Aloysius Music Ministry.

Friend	Up to	\$50
Contributor	\$51 -	\$99
Sponsor	\$100 -	\$199
Donor	\$200 -	
Associate	\$350 -	
Patron	\$500 -	\$999
Benefactor	\$1,000	and above

For any questions, please contact Dr. John Michniewicz, Director of Music Ministry at <u>drjohnm@starcc.com</u>

Hearing Assistance Devices

Hearing Assistance Devices are now available for Mass! You will find them on a charging table outside the sacristy door. Please return them to the table after Mass.



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 Aloysius Church" and note the words "Giving Box" in the memo.

Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors in need.



Please join us on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception **Thursday, December 8th** for Mass & Rosary in the Church at 9:00 am



Brunch will follow in Stapleton Hall with guest speaker, **Fr. Michael Clark**.

Fr. Clark is the rector of the Guild of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus which promotes Diocese of Bridgeport sacred arts.

Sponsored by Our Lady's Guild

How will you answer the call?



During Advent, celebrate LIFE!

www.starcc.com/respect_life

St. A's Healing Rosary Prayer Are you or a loved one in need of healing? (mind, body and/or spirit?)

All are welcome to join St. A's Healing Rosary Prayer Group on Saturday mornings at 8:30 in the church.

Questions? Please email Anne Cross: OurHealingRosary@gmail.com



~ Parish and Other News ~



St. A's Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study 2022 - 2023



Join like-minded sisters in faith as we come to know Jesus Christ

Women New to WWP – Opening Your Heart - our foundational course that teaches us how to experience all

that God has in store for us!

Returning Women – Touching the Divine - Gain a deeper understanding of Jesus through the Gospel of John.

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

For more information, visit <u>www.starcc.com/WWP</u>

Questions? Email the Leadership Team at <u>wwpstaloysius@gmail.com</u>

Register Here

Attention all Men of the Parish Saturday Men's Bible Study & Fellowship

All are welcome, whether you have a degree in Scripture or you've never opened the Bible outside of Mass.

We meet <u>every Saturday morning</u>. Don't worry if you can't attend regularly. It's easy to stay current.

7:30 a.m. -Doors open for light breakfast and fellowship. 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - Scripture study

Maple Street Dining Room of the Parish Center. Please enter through the kitchen door off Maple Street.

For more information contact Bob Mantilia at 203-414-1500 or robertmantilia@yahoo.com





Mental Health Matters and Missionary Parishes

This Giving Tuesday, November 29th, make your gift count by donating to the Catholic Charities Mental Health Matters campaign and support our missionary urban parishes through the St. Francis Xavier Fund in Foundations in Faith. Your generosity will help us provide support and services to those in need of mental health services to live happier, healthier lives. And our missionary parishes will benefit from your support of their ministries and outreach, so critical in our urban centers.

To donate, visit <u>www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/</u> acp5f0e2566c9069/user/guest



Celebrate the joy of the holiday season at Christmas in the Mansion! Lauralton Hall's historic campus will be transformed into a "Showcase of the Season" featuring more than 60 specialty boutiques offering upscale handcrafted items, home décor, jewelry, accessories, and more. Stroll

Lauralton's decorated hallways, tour its cornerstone 1864 Victorian Gothic mansion, and visit the creche displayed in the beautiful Chapel - built in 1917. Kids will enjoy visiting Santa's Workshop. The community-wide event will take place on Sunday, Dec 4 from noon-4:30 pm. Admission is \$10 at the door, and children aged 12 and under are free. Visit www.lauraltonhall.org/christmas for more information.

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