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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 19, 2023

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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Ash Wednesday February 22nd



Masses with Distribution of Ashes

7:00 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 12:15 pm., 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Our Clergy will be distributing ashes at the following times:

6:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. in the Church Narthex 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. in the Church

~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday -	February 20, 2023
7:00 a.m.	Ludwig Bohmer
5:30 p.m.	Hillary Ginsberg
Tuesday -	February 21, 2023
7:00 a.m.	John McDougall
5:30 p.m.	Daniel Colangelo
Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	February 22, 2023 (Ash Wednesday) Eugene McElroy Louise McDevitt Catherine Arrix Elizabeth Byrne Susan and Gene Goodman (LIVING)
Thursday - 7:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	February 23, 2023 Missy Orgera, St. Aloysius Parishioners Nicholas Visconti
Friday -	February 24, 2023
7:00 a.m.	Fr. Nello Barachini, Brian Miluszusky
5:30 p.m.	Catherine Arrix
Saturday -	February 25, 2023
7:00 a.m.	John Engel (LIVING) and Jack Engel
5:00 p.m.	Anna and Al Liebelt
Sunday - 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	February 26, 2023 Robert DeGroat Fletcher Hock Daniel Colangelo Joan Toppin Daniel Colangelo

Please Pray for the Deceased:
Richard "Dick" Weber

We Welcome Our New Parishioners:

Bartova Family Maguire Family

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, February 21st at 9:00 a.m.

~ 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, 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, Claire Kelly, Carol King, Maryann Knag, Christopher Kotos, Elaine M. Kuzlik, 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, Joe Pascarella, Nora Radocea, Barton Rappaport, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Shirley Rogers, Jeanne Ruddock, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Rudolph John Sandor, Reggie Santella, Diane Santulli, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Karen Scigliano, Lynda Ann Slovik, Paul Sorge, Sr., Fernando 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

Please pray for those serving in the military:

1st Lt. Morgan Carson; CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; 1st Lt. Paul Corapi; 1st Lt. Vienna 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

Rocky-Joe Cotoia

Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle
Richard Cummins

Mary Sanctuary Candle

Raul Peter Font

Chapel Candle



Keeping it Simple this Lent

Our Lenten journey together as a parish begins Wednesday when we wear ashes to remind us of our mortality, acknowledge our sinfulness, and humble ourselves to allow the suffering, dying and rising of Jesus to become our focus for 40 days. The tendency is to set prayer, fasting, and almsgiving goals that we can't sustain throughout Lent. I think it's more important to set goals that are attainable and that leave us wanting to do more.

Allow me to make some suggestions about Lenten practices:

- 1. Keep it simple: go to daily Mass when you can
- 2. Keep it **sacred**: find that place in your home where it's easy to pray
- 3. Keep it **slow**: pull back from an activity that's not essential and just sit with God
- 4. Keep it **smart**: don't give up something that's going to cause you to be miserable
- Keep it stark: give up something that enhances your longing for God
- 6. Keep it **sin-free**: go to Confession at the beginning of Lent to get a clean start
- 7. Keep it **surprising**: try different things like new ways of praying that keep the conversation with God going

The Saint Aloysius "Ashes to Easter" booklet will provide you with some wonderful opportunities for prayer, worship, confession, charity, service and more right here in the parish. It will be available in church next week and will be posted on our website. I recommend that you read the entire publication right away and highlight the things that you plan to attend.

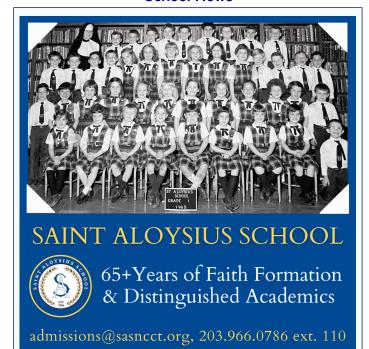
One last thing. Consider a "Technology Fast" this Lent. It's simple but challenging: You and the ones you love make a pledge to keep cell phones and other devices away from the table. Eat together, talk, play board games, color in coloring books, draw, paint, cook together, play cards, and enjoy being fully present to one another. The first one to go away from the table and pick up a phone does the dishes, takes out the trash, or performs some other not-so-fun task.

Our fasting from the cell phones that consume our day allows us to discover the God we find in silence and in those around us.

Lenten blessings,

Father Rob

~ School News ~





Weekly Adoration

Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. (immediately following 7:00 a.m. Mass)

Our country has begun a National Eucharistic Revival with a mission to renew the Church by rekindling a living relationship with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist!

Adoration is a beautiful and grace-filled opportunity to sit in the presence of our Lord. We invite parishioners of all ages to stop in for a few minutes or sign up to spend an hour and be one of our adorers. An adorer ensures that there is someone with the Blessed Sacrament while others come and go. Sign up at by <u>Clicking Here</u>.

St. Aloysius – A Tithing Parish TITHING MEANS ONE-TENTH:

FIVE % TO MY CHURCH + FIVE % TO CHARITY

 Sunday, February 12, 2023
 \$15,695

 Online Giving for the week:
 \$7,647

 TOTAL OFFERTORY:
 \$23,342

 LAST YEAR:
 \$21,886

Online giving is now more important than ever.



Thank you!

~ Religious Education ~



Religious Education

Grades K through 6

We **DO NOT** have classes on Sunday, February 19th and Sunday, February 26th

Classes resume Sunday, March 5th

- Ash Wednesday is February 22nd, no matter where you are, please make sure to attend Mass with your children to receive ashes.
- Mark your calendars for either March 13th or March 15th for 4pm Stations in the Cross for all Religious Education students in the Church. You must attend one of these dates as it was listed on everyone's schedule when classes started.
- Lenten Confession for grades 2 through 8 will be held on Saturday, March 25th from 9am to 11am. We did this during Advent and families came together to attend Confession. This was also noted as a date on your class calendar.

For all those traveling for winter break, please be safe and enjoy.

Scouting at St Aloysius Needs Your Help! Cub Scout Pack 45/Scouts BSA Troop 45

The Scouting program would like to invite adult parishioners with Scouting experience to serve as our Pack and Troop's Unit Commissioner, which involves advising and coaching our adult volunteer leaders.

We also are looking for female parishioners who would like to help us start **New Canaan's first Girl Troop** next year (January of 2024). We currently have six girls in our Cub Scout Pack that will be crossing over into the older program next year. Please contact Steve Prostor at (646) 331-6719 or sprostor.troop45@gmail.com with questions or for more information.

2024 Mass Intentions

Daily Mass Intentions for 2024 are now available. We ask that you limit your count to four in total.



Candle Intentions (Sacred Heart Candle, Mary Candle and Chapel Candle) are still available in 2023.

Please contact John Palma at <u>ipalma@starcc.com</u> with any requests.

~ Youth Ministry ~

Lent starts THIS
Wednesday! Wherever
you happen to be, find a
Catholic Church and
receive your ashes to kick
off your Lenten journey
(see next page for our Ash
Wednesday photo
challenge!)

This year, instead of fasting from what you normally fast from, pray on



doing our PHONE FAST 2023! Try fasting from social media! If you can't do a total fast from social media, try limiting your time on your favorite sites. Try doing it on Sundays or set a timer on your phone for fifteen minutes each day and stop scrolling and close your apps, Instagram, snapchat or TikTok when the alarm sounds. Remind yourself that your worth doesn't depend on the number of likes you get, but on your place in God's family as a child of God!













Our teens have been busy in prayer, service and worship! Leading our confirmation students and their peers in praying the Teen Rosary, bringing joy to our friends with special needs at the Tim Tebow Night to Shine Prom, a Valentines visit to Thorpe and teaching some of our religious ed students that they are Never Too Young to Serve! More pics can be seen on our StAY Facebook page!

~ Parish News ~

Lenten Parish Suppers



Please join us for Lenten Parish Suppers on Fridays in March 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in Stapleton Hall

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Tickets are \$25, are limited and available NOW, so be sure to get yours today at the parish office, online at https://
M4MGreenwich.eventbrite.com or in the Narthex after all of the Masses next weekend!

Bulletin and Eblast Submissions Deadlines

- Eblast submissions are due by Monday at 1 p.m.
- Bulletin submissions are due by Tuesday at 1 p.m.

Email to: bulletin@starcc.com

WAKE UP & WITNESS

TRAVELING THIS WINTER BREAK?

MAKE SURE TO FIND A CHURCH & RECEIVE

YOUR ASHES TO GIVE WITNESS TO OUR FAITH!



THEN, Send a picture of you or your family with your ashes to youth@starcc.com for our Ash Wed social media campaign and bulletin posts ... we have even challenged our college young adults to do this!

Let us know where you received your ashes!



Mother Teresa's Closet

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

We are still in need of winter clothing, shoes, hats, gloves, etc. for men, women and children as well as new or gently used linens. Complete guidelines are available on our church website at www.starcc.com/118.

To schedule an appointment between February 20 - 26, please contact Debby McIntosh at deborah3868@yahoo.com or call 203-554-8572.



Feed the Hungry THIS LENT!



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

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

ALSO NEEDED:
CASES OF BOTTLED WATER
INDIVIDUAL SERVING SIZE
COOKIES, GOLDFISH & CHIPS
GRANDLA/POWER BARS

New Covenant Sandwich Making/Donations Sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-feed36

~ Parish and Other News ~

SAINT ALOYSIUS We Stand with Christ

CAMPAIGN

We Stand with Christ Campaign and Project for Saint Aloysius

Total of Pledges as of Feb. 14: \$16 Million (62% of Goal)

Campaign Goal: \$26 Million

Number of Donors: 267 (Up 5% from 2 weeks ago)
Campaign End Date: We will gladly accept gifts

through March 2023!

Thank you to those who have pledged! We need everyone – no matter what the gift – to reach our goal! Allison McCarthy (amccarthy@starcc.com) can help with any questions, including memorials or other naming opportunities. And remember that pledges can be made over a five-year period. We will have new drawings, 3-D images, and virtual tours of the new structures by next week so you can see how this exciting project is evolving.

Construction update: We will go before the Planning and Zoning Commission on February 28 with updated drawings and plans that we believe are in sync with the Commission's recommendations. A few prayers would be most welcome! Work continues on the installation of the new gas boiler in the church. The building committee has been formed. This group of parishioners will assist in the planning of major and minor details of the entire project. The demolition of the school building has begun. Work on the inside of the building is the first order of business. Within the next few weeks, parts of the building will begin to come down. This will be a safe process and will have little impact on the rest of the property or adjoining properties. Things will look a bit "ugly" for a while, but we hope to begin new construction as soon as we can.

Father Rob





Men's Bible Study & Fellowship Saturday Mornings

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

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.

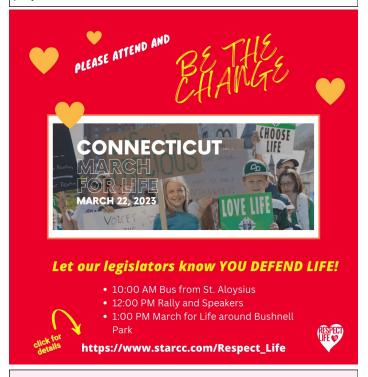
Please enter through the kitchen door off Maple Street.

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



We are Never Too Young to Serve!

Our Never Too Young to Serve high school teen leaders, assisted by some of our confirmation students, led religious education students in performing Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy last week during their class time. After a discussion on the importance of serving others with the love of Jesus, the students made Valentines cards with affirming messages and assembled 100 Blessing Bags that were sent to New Covenant Center to be shared with their clients on Valentines Day! Our teens also shared about St. Valentine and led the students in prayer!





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

~ Parish and Other News ~

St. Aloysius Cub Scout Pack 45

Open to boys and girls in K-5th grade. Pack meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the New Canaan Nature Center.

For Pack information, contact Cubmaster Danielle McKee at (203) 979-3023 or danielle@joemckee.com.

St. Aloysius Scouts BSA Troop 45



Open to 6th grade and older boys both new to Scouting or existing Scouts looking for leadership opportunities to join. Troop meetings are held weekly on Tuesday nights from 7-8pm in the Sturgess Room at the New Canaan Nature Center.

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



Saint Catherine Center for Special Needs, located in Fairfield, is looking for someone who would like to join our team. Assistant Director of Administration/ Financial Services with a focus on bookkeeping skills is a part time position (24 hours a week). A Direct Service Provider works with our young adults and may be part time or full time. The Center serves young people with a wide range of intellectual and physical disabilities. For more information about the position, visit **Employment** Opportunities - St. Catherine Center (stcatherinecenter.org).



35 Norfield Road Weston, CT Wed, Feb 15th - Sun, Feb 19th **Blessed Carlo Acutis** Sun, Feb 19th at Noon

With an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions, the exhibition created by Blessed Carlo presents some of the principal Eucharistic miracles that took place throughout the ages in various countries of the world and which have been recognized by the Church. By means of 187 panels, one can virtually visit the places where the miracles took place.



What is a 1st class relic?

- A 1st class relic is part of the
- person's physical body

 Miracles of healing and conversion are often associated with veneration of relics



Blessed Carlo Acutis did not strive to become famous but rather to cooperate with God's graces as generously as possible. That journey brought him many experiences that were all united by a burning desire to serve God and others.

Wed, Feb 15th – 8-10 am and 6-8 pm Thurs, Feb 16th – 8-10 am and 6-8 pm Fri, Feb 10" — 6-tu an rand 6-8 pm Fri, Feb 13th – 8-10 am and 6-8 pm Sat, Feb 18th – 10 am – Noon and 6-8 pm Sun, Feb 19th – 9 am – 1 pm Sun, Feb 19th at Noon – Live Presentation on

Blessed Carlo and some key miracles in the exhibit

Veneration of Blessed Carlo's 1st Class Relic (in the church) Sat, Feb 18th – 10 am – Noon and 6-8 pm Sun, Feb 19th – 9-9:20 am and 12:30 – 2 pm

<u>Weekend Mass Times</u> Sat - 5 pm, Sun - 8 am, 9:30 am, and 11 am

For more information, contact Diana McHugh at 203-227-1341 or Deacon Steve Hodson at 203-260-1369

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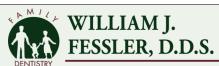
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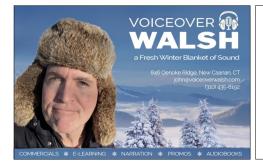
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