

Saint Aloysius

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

New Canaan, Connecticut 203-966-0020 • www.starcc.com • উঁ Accessible Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 26, 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: <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. - 6:00 p.m. in Chapel

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

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PARISH TRUSTEES

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1	Saturday, Ma	rch 25 th -	Tuesday, Mar	$ch 28^{ch}$ -
	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study & Fellowship	7:30 AM	Rosary in the Church
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	9:00 AM	Religious Ed Confessions for	7:00 AM	Adoration in the Chapel
1		students and families in the	4:00 PM	St. Michael Prayer Group
-		Church		Rosary in the Chapel
Name of	Monday, Mar	rch 27 th -	5:30 PM	Final Friday Lenten Supper in Stapleton Hall
Y	12:15 PM	Rosary in the Chapel	6:00 PM	Benediction in the Chapel
4	7:00 PM	Made For More: Visions of the	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
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~ Mass Intentions ~

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We Welcome our Newly Baptized Parishioner:

Adrian Joseph Racioppi Isabella Rose Racioppi James Alexander Schott Nathan Alexander Lupinacci Zoe Lidia Lupinacci

Please Pray for the Deceased:

Florence Cascia Irene Murphy Joseph Michael Pascarella Janet Schutte

We Welcome Our New Parishioners: Crane Family

Bulletin and Eblast Submissions Deadlines

• Eblast submissions are due by Monday at 1 p.m.

 Bulletin submissions are due by <u>Tuesday at 1 p.m.</u> Email to: <u>bulletin@starcc.com</u>

~ 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, Matthew DeVaney, Kathleen Dooley, Caragh Dougherty, Aidan Duver, Madeline Dwyer, Monigue 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, Merrily Krause, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Chelsea Lane, 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, Diane Oberander, John O'Connor, Patrick O'Kane, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Andrew Parisi, Harrison Perley, Austin Jack Pieck, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Lily Pickering, 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 Scioliano, 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

Claude Majcher Sacred Heart Sanctuary Candle Anthony DiFeo Mary Sanctuary Candle Frank E. Rufalski Chapel Candle



👇 <u>Words from Monsignor Rob Kinnally</u>

The Cross as Tree of Life

One of the many beautiful features of Saint Aloysius church is the larger-than-life crucifix that hangs in our sanctuary. So many have remarked about how much that wonderfully imposing cross means to them: how it helps them pray, how it gives them peace, how it r0eminds them of God's love made manifest in the suffering and dying of His Son. In my own reflection on the Cross of Christ, I have always been struck by a verse from the Liturgy of the Hours: "See how the Cross of Christ becomes the tree of life." It makes sense: the suffering and dying of Christ is the sacred path to Resurrection. This point was made beautifully by Colleen Kelly-Rayner, one of our Lenten speakers who reminded us that Friday is not the end of the story; Sunday is coming. Therefore, the cross, an instrument of death during the Roman occupation of Palestine, becomes the means for a profound hope and glory on Resurrection Day.

St. John Chrysostom, a fourth century priest, wrote eloquently about this, referring to the Cross as "The Tree:"

The Tree is my eternal salvation. It is my nourishment and my banquet. Amidst its roots, I cast my own roots deep. Beneath its boughs I grow. Flying from the burning heat, I have set up my tent in its shadow and have found there a resting place, fresh with dew. I flower with its flowers. Its fruits bring perfect joy, fruits which have been preserved for me since time began, fruits which now I freely eat. This tree is food, sweet food, for my hunger and a fountain for my thirst; it is clothing for my nakedness; its leaves are the breath of life. If I fear God, this is my protection; if I stumble this is my staff; this is the prize for which I fight, the reward of my victory. This is my straight and narrow path; this is Jacob's ladder, where angels go up and down, and where the Lord himself stands at the top.

If you are looking for an image that speaks eloquently to this understanding of the Cross, I recommend the mosaic in the apse of the Basilica of San Clemente in Rome. The Crucified Christ rests on a cross that is decorated with doves, and the roots at the foot of the cross extend far and wide. The suffering of Christ is not diminished, but the life-giving truth of the Cross is beautifully portrayed. Here's a link to a video that explains the image: <u>https://youtu.be/n8ecMNPJO3</u>

As we look ahead to Holy Week, I pray that the Cross of Christ may fill your heart with the knowledge of Christ's mercy and redeeming love. I pray also that the Cross may be a Tree of Life that leads you to a glorious Easter.

In Christ Crucified, Monsignor Rob

HOLY WEEK 2023

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, APRIL 2

- ♦ Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.*, 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK, APRIL 3

- ◊ 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Confessions in the Chapel
- $\Diamond\,$ 7:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Men and Women

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, APRIL 5

◊ 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

- ◊ 7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church
- ◊ 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
- $\diamond~$ 8:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

- ◊ 7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church
- $\Diamond\,$ 11:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon Confessions in the Chapel
- $\Diamond\,$ 12:00 noon. Stations of the Cross
- \diamond 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- $\Diamond\,$ 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- The Church will remain open for silent prayer until 9:00 pm

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

- ◊ 7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church
- ◊ 12:00 noon. Blessing of Easter Food (Church)
- ◊ 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Confessions in the Chapel
- ♦ 8:00 p.m. The Vigil of Easter
 - Blessing of the New Fire Lighting of the Paschal Candle Blessing of Water Sacraments of Initiation for New Catholics

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

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*This liturgy will also be live-streamed, recorded, and available on the parish website.

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

Sunday, March 19, 2023	\$16,427
Online Giving for the week:	<u>\$8,232</u>
TOTAL OFFERTORY:	\$24,659
LAST YEAR:	\$19,505

Second Collection - Catholic Relief Services \$5,465

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~ Religious Education ~



Religious Education

Saturday, March 25th is the Lent Confessions for students in grades 2 through 8.

Come anytime between 9am to 11am. Everyone should enter via the church Narthex (Cherry Street entrance).

There are only two weeks left of Religious Education classes. We end on April 2nd (which is also Palm Sunday) and students are required to attend class and the 10am Mass.

Confirmation

Thank you to another wonderful Confirmation family for feeding the hungry by making sandwiches for our friends at the New Covenant Center!



Journey to Light Bereavement Ministry

Bereavement Ministry at St. Aloysius is here to help anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one, at whatever stage of the journey. The purpose of this ministry is to accompany and guide participants through their grieving process and to compassionately meet people where they are.

For more information, go to <u>www.starcc.com/bereavement</u> or contact Kathleen Donnelly at 203-814-6797 or <u>bereavement@starcc.com</u>.

~ Youth Ministry ~

Trip to the Bronx to Mentor the Children of Thorpe

Saturday, April 1st



Join us as we take the children to the playground and host an Easter Egg Hunt. Sign up here at: Bronx Thorpe



Teens Needed to Pray Rosary at Waveny Care Center Saturday, April 1

We need a couple of teens and a VIRTUS-trained adult to lead the Rosary at Waveny. This is such a special way to pray with the elderly. You must be vaccinated and have one booster to visit Waveny. Reach out to Chris Otis at <u>youth@starcc.com</u>!



Good News Rocks Friday, April 7



Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to gather in Stapleton Hall to paint rocks with the Easter messages of Good News, which teens will take with them to distribute around town for folks to find and have the Good News shared with them! You will be finished by 2:45 in time to attend the 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion in church with your family. Sign up here at: <u>Good News Rocks</u>



EMMAUS REUNION Sunday, March 26 beginning with Mass at 5pm For candidates and their parents and the team

Sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DAFAD2CAAFB6-emmaus22 Our next Emmaus Retreat will be in the Fall 2023 Details announced in September!



Our teens came together for our Before-School Mass on St. Patrick's Day and later that weekend hosted the Trinity Tea for the "young at heart" seniors of our parish! Please continue to pray for our young people that they have hearts and minds that want to know, love and serve Jesus! View all of our photos at our Youth Ministry StAYNC Facebook page!

~ Parish News ~

Are you an adult who is Roman Catholic, received your First Holy Communion but never the Sacrament of Confirmation?



If you would like to learn more about joining other adults in the Parish who are receiving this sacrament on Pentecost Sunday, May 28th, 2023, please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at <u>santulliw@starcc.com</u>.

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP



All men in the parish are invited to our next gathering on Tuesday, March 28 at 7pm in the Chapel. We will discuss the Gospel's account of the raising of Lazarus and applicable lessons it contains for our lives. We hope you can join us.



Children & Families in Norwalk with a collection of clothing and other basic supplies for infants and children in crisis who are in the transitional care of the DCF social workers. Sign up to donate a **specifically requested** item at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C08 4DAFAD2CAAFB6-isabelles



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

Presentations on the Shroud of Turin

Fr. Andrew Dalton, LC, theology professor at Regina Apostolorum in Rome, will be coming to our area to give a presentation on the Shroud of Turin. Fr. Dalton will be speaking at St. Mary Parish in Stamford on Monday evening, April 3 beginning at 7:30 PM and at St. Catherine of Siena/St. Agnes Parish in Riverside on Tuesday evening, April 4 beginning at 7 PM. These presentations are open to all.

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 <u>sprostor.troop45@gmail.com</u> with questions or for more information.



Mother Teresa's Closet

IS OPEN, by appointment, throughout the construction process .

We are accepting Spring and Summer clothing and gently used linens. Fall and Winter clothing is needed for the Mission in Colombia.

> To schedule an appointment between March 27 - April 2, contact Valerie Franco at francovalerie10@gmail.com or 912-658-8580

~ Parish News ~

SAINT ALOYSIUS We Stand with Christ

CAMPAIGN

We Stand with Christ Campaign and Project for Saint Aloysius

Total of Pledges as of March 20:\$15,791,348 MillionThis total reflects a correction following an audit of
all pledges on March 21.Campaign Goal:\$26 MillionNumber of Denomination

Number of Donors: Campaign End Date: March 21. \$26 Million 355 (up 15% from March 1) When we reach the goal!

Thank you to those who have pledged! We need everyone – no matter what the gift – to reach our goal! We will be reaching out to those who have not pledged to be sure that you have the latest information, and answer your questions. As updated drawings become available, we will post them.

Construction update: We will have our third meeting with the town planning commission on March 28. We have a great plan to present following the commissioners' suggestions. Your prayers are most welcome!

The demolition on the school building continues. It's a slow process, but it is on schedule. We are waiting for some parts for the new heating and air conditioning system in the church. The sound engineer did a thorough study of the acoustics in the church and will be providing a proposal.

Monsignor Rob





Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano

invites you to join him

5:00 pm on Sunday, April 16, 2023

at St. Aloysius Church 21 Cherry Street in New Canaan

FOR A MASS OF THANKSGIVING

for those who have been honored by Pope Francis with the rank of Chaplain to His Holiness

REVEREND MONSIGNOR ROBERT J. CROFUT REVEREND MONSIGNOR DONALD A. GUGLIELMI REVEREND MONSIGNOR ROBERT M. KINNALLY

Please join Monsignor Rob in a parish-wide celebration of the Easter season and the many blessings God has bestowed on us.

A Mass of Thanksgiving will take place on <u>Sunday, April 30th</u> in the church at 11:30 a.m. followed by an outdoor gathering "under the tent" in the Holy Spirit Garden. All are welcome to attend!



Tenebrae - Wednesday, April 5 at 7pm

Tenebrae ("shadows" or "darkness") is a Holy Week service that is at least 1,000 years old.

Tenebrae would be sung each day of the Triduum in a church lit only by 15 candles. These were extinguished one by one until the church was left in darkness. At that point, a loud noise ("strepitus") would be produced – sometimes by slamming a hymnal or other book shut, sometimes by stomping on the floor – symbolizing the earthquake after Christ's death.

Like the "lessons and carols" services familiar at Christmas, Tenebrae consists of hymns and readings, the ones proper to Lauds and Matins for the days of the Triduum. Until the mid-1950s, when the Easter Vigil had been revived, nearly every parish in the United States sung Tenebrae on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Today, churches with Tenebrae services usually sing them once, on a Lenten evening – this year we will have Tenebrae at St. A's on Wednesday of Holy Week.

~ Parish & Other News ~



It's never too late to join us!

St. A's Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study

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

wwpstaloysius@gmail.com

Men's Bible Study & Fellowship

Saturday Mornings 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

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

In the 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

MALTA HOUSE

Malta House, located in Norwalk, is the only home for pregnant women above the age of 18 in Fairfield County. We provide a transitional living program where a mom can

stay with her baby for long-term support and a " hand-up" as she journeys to independence and hope.

Norwalk's Malta House is currently installing an on-site Health and Wellness Room for its residents. This room will be staffed by volunteer doctors and nurses and provide first aid and care for minor illnesses and injuries for mothers and babies, as well as health education. If you would like to help us in our efforts, please visit the Malta House's Health and Wellness Room Amazon Wishlist, by scanning or clicking in the QR code below.

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