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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 25, 2024

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

<u>EUCHARISTIC ADORATION</u> is on hiatus and will resume on Friday, October 4th.

PARISH OFFICE

40 Maple St, New Canaan, CT 06840 Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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~ Mass Intentions ~

August 26, 2024 Monday -7:00 a.m. James Julian, Jr. 5:30 p.m. Anthony DiFeo August 27, 2024 Tuesday -7:00 a.m. Richard and Heather Brooks William and Margaret Philipcik 5:30 p.m. August 28, 2024 Wednesday -7:00 a.m. Jane Rvan 5:30 p.m. Mary J. Head August 29, 2024 Thursday -7:00 a.m. Ermenia Roeder. St. Aloysius Parishioners 5:30 p.m. Robert Jones Friday -August 30, 2024 7:00 a.m. Harvey S. Gardner Roy Riggio 5:30 p.m. August 31, 2024 Saturday -7:00 a.m. Carolyn Beal 5:00 p.m. Ed McCabe Sunday -September 1, 2024 7:00 a.m. John J. Butler 8:30 a.m. Thomas Paul Miller Dr. Michael G. Moran Mary Aldrich Daniel Colangelo Daniel N. Field 10:00 a.m. Leah Lennon 11:30 a.m. Angelina and Gloria Brusco 5:00 p.m. Eugenia "Jean" D. Enderle

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized:

Grady Paul Koshansky Luke James Peck

Marriage Banns:

II - Madeline Rusch and Erik Hanson
III - Charlotte Ann Engel and John Joseph Ellis

Please Pray for the Deceased:

Father James Breen Ruth Gutt

Hearing Assistance Devices

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



~ Please Pray For ~

Maria Alvarado, Michele and Kurt Babyak, Benjamin Barresi, Deborah Bostic, Landis Branham, William Branham, Margaret "Peg" Brewer, Kathleen Butler Brown, Anthony Burrows. Michael Buzzeo, Tony Cantone, Addison Jane Carestia, Jim Carty, Tom Carty, Margaret Cavanagh, Lois Cawley, Luz Celit, Tracy Champion, Teddy Connolly, Brian Cristello, James Cristello, Tina Cusimano, Michael DeCarlo, Brooke D'Aleo, Rick Daniels, Audrey Dertinger, Matthew DeVaney, Lawrence DeVito, Mauro DiFulvio, Caragh Dougherty, 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, Alexandra Gagliardi, Vilma Gaudio-Carollo, Ann Gehnrich, Franco Gencarelli, Carol Gianattasio, Austin Gidge, Kathy Grove, James Heffner, D.J. Holland, Carol Hollister, Olivia Hurley, Juan Invernon, Maria Invernon, Sarah Jessie, William K., Mary Katawa, Carol King, Maryann Knag, Christopher Kotos, Clare Kretzman, Merrily Krauser, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Al Latte, Jose Lavana, Vicki LeBris, Sandra Lefler, Pam Libertiny, Joanne Liscio, Joshua Liscio, Georgia Little, Tracee Lutes, Debbie B. Lyon, Mary Maher, Fanny Mao, Dan Mao, Rachel Mawardi, Liz McKay, Martin McLaughlin, Sarah McNulty, Donald McQuid, Fabiola Mellio, Catherine Middleton, Jon Morrison, Dell Murphy, Louis G. Nappi, Diane Oberander, Chris O'Connor, Patrick O'Kane, Martin O'Shea, Patrick M. Pantalone, Ana Paredes, Harrison Perley, Austin Jack Pieck, Maggie Pierce, Cathy McClane Quiaoit, Noah Quiaoit, Iracema Galvani Quinete, Lily Pickering, Nora Radocea, Barton Rappaport, Michael ReQua, Patricia Rezny, Jeanne Ruddock, Maria Cielo Sanchez, Reggie Santella, Caroline Kontis Schneider, Massimo Sciaretta, Karen Scigliano, Carol Selvin, Diane Silverio, Donna Silverio, Lynda Ann Slovik, Frank Smith, Susan Leighton Smith, Paul Sorge, Sr., Fernando Spadaccini, Georgia Sweeney, Mike Szarpa, Szenasi Family, Christopher Tarzia Jr., Ignatius Thompson, Kathleen Turpin, Margot Vaughan, Dominick Anthony Vento, Dorothy Voris, Martha Wieber, Ryan Joseph Willen, Alex Wood, Marie Zapata

Please pray for those serving in the military:

Sgt. Tiernan Christopher Brady; 1st Lt. Morgan Carson; CPT Elizabeth A. Condon; CPT Paul Corapi; CPT Vienna Corapi; Lt. Col. Neil Dolan; Major Brian Gerardi; Staff Sgt. Patrick Joseph Hussey; Spec. 3rd CL Thomas Lally; Lt. Col. Todd Polk; Lt. Col. Christopher Schilling; 1st Lt. Andrew Scott; CPT; E3 Peter Sloan USN; Jason Trischitta USAF; SSG Steven Vasko

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

We Need to Be the Body of Christ

As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him.

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"

Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

For some of the disciples, Jesus's discourse on the "Bread of Life" was just too difficult to hear. To the Jewish authorities, Jesus's bold claim to be "flesh for the life of the world" was understood as a threat to their own authority. To those who were struggling with accepting Jesus as the Messiah, understanding that the flesh of Jesus is "true food" and His blood "true drink," is impossible. But to Peter and those who continue on as followers of Jesus, they understand that it's all about eternal life. Our life in Jesus, our sharing in the Eucharist - truly His Body and Blood - gives us life because it is food for this amazing, challenging journey we are on. When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion, He becomes a part of our very being, and we have all that we need to be fully alive - now and forever.

Peter and the faithful followers know that they need the "words of eternal life" and they need to be in relationship with Jesus who is "the Holy One of God." As wavering as Peter can be in other scenes of the Gospel, he is unwavering in this moment when he confesses that Jesus is God and is the way to eternal life. As we approach the Lord in Holy Communion this weekend, let us remember that we are in the presence of the "Holy One of God" who invites us to become what we receive. As we walk back to our seats after receiving Him, may we understand that we bear Christ in our body so that we may go out and feed the world with the hope that comes from the Body of Christ.

Yours in Christ - the Bread of Life,

Msgr. Rob



ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, OCIA, is an awakening to Christ and seeking out the Catholic Church that comes about in a variety of ways. The first step for some is a sense that "something is missing", that there is more to life than what they now have. For many others, the journey begins because of a relationship with a Catholic – a close friend or spouse. Some were baptized Catholic but did not receive any other sacraments. Still, others are drawn by seeing the example of a Catholic life well lived.

The OCIA process is a series of carefully planned stages, marked by liturgical rites, in which those who are interested in becoming full Catholics join us in a continuing and deepening conversion into faith and discipleship. It takes the spiritual needs of each person into account. At the Easter Vigil Mass, candidates will receive those sacraments of initiation that they need – Baptism, the Eucharist, and Confirmation.

In mid-September, our parish will begin weekly OCIA sessions in an open and welcoming environment. These gatherings are open to people who are unbaptized as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds.

Please contact Deacon Bill Santulli at 203-940-0711 or santulliw@starcc.com if you have questions or would like further information.

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SAINT ALOYSIUS

MSGR. ROB'S RENOVATION AND BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

A lot has happened since my last update message. Here's the summary:

- Saint Aloysius Catholic Preschool will launch in September 2025! It will welcome children from the ages of 2 to 5.
 Watch for more information about how to contact the school for information.
- The school building and chapel are moving along on schedule. The plan is to have the exterior complete before winter so that interior work can be carried out to meet the September 2025 opening deadline.
- The Preschool building will also be utilized by religious education students and parish ministries. It will be great to have the space back!
- Take a look at the time-lapse camera show on the website; you will see how quickly everything is going up! https://starcc.com/building-campaign/
- The vesting area in the church will also serve as a quiet room for families, a bride's room, and there is space for the Music Office. My apologies for limited access to the narthex during that construction. Rest rooms are always available from the inside doors.
- Once the vesting area is complete, work will begin on the other side of the narthex where we will install three new restrooms. During that construction, a restroom will be available in the vesting area.
- Our plans to expand each confessional were thwarted by the discovery of a structure that prevents us from expanding. We will provide more light and paint the confessionals before Christmas.
- We continue to raise the remaining funds needed (approximately \$4million) and have meetings with prospective donors in the next few weeks. If you haven't made your pledge, please consider doing so before the end of September. I am hopeful that the rising structures are getting everyone excited for the future of our growing parish. I'm always available to talk with anyone about the project (frrob@starcc.com).

Thanks to all who are making this transformation possible, and please pray that we will raise the remaining funds and stay on schedule.

~ Youth Ministry ~



Sign up at: KickOffBBQ



Don't Miss This Diocesan-wide event with Bishop Caggiano Mass and Keynote with the Bishop, tailgate BBQ with fun and games, "Hoodies for the Homeless" service project, Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour with Nashville based musician Lee Roessler! Sign up and join our St. A's contingent at:

Follow Me Home: A Home Coming To The Faith For Highschool



Candidate Application & Team Registration Opens August 26

Teens in grades 10-12 who have never attended Emmaus APPLY as Candidates Teens (who have already been Candidates) and Parents/Adults register as Team Members Teens must complete the application/registration together with a parent or guardian.

Visit https://starcc.com/emmaus-2/ for logins

Team members, our first team meeting is Sunday, September 15 at 2:45 pm in Stapleton Hall.

Questions? Please contact the Rector/Rectora John & Shannon Goetz at saintaloysiusemmaus@gmail.com





~ Religious Education ~

If you have not yet registered your child for Pre-K to 8th grade religious education, you can still do so by following the instruction on the <u>parish website</u>. Options for classes can be found by <u>clicking here</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Sibilia at directorreligioused@starcc.com.

~ Parish News ~

Donate Today to the Bishop's Appeal

HELP US REACH OUR \$694,300 GOAL Total Pledged to date: \$297,724

43% of goal

St. Aloysius has been working diligently to raise funds for the 2024 Bishop's Appeal, and we are incredibly grateful for the support we've received so far.

We realize that we are finishing a major capital campaign in the parish and I am grateful for the support for that important endeavor for our parish, however the Bishop's Appeal is also important to support the charities of the diocese.

Thank you for your sacrificial giving to help the Church of the Diocese of Bridgeport accomplish its mission.

CLICK HERE TO DONATE TODAY
Under "Parish", scroll to St. Aloysius

Not comfortable paying online? Then please consider mailing in your donation* or including a check payable to the "Bishop's Appeal" in this Sunday's offertory. We'll take care of the rest!

* Mail checks to: Diocese of Bridgeport, P.O. Box 110410, Trumbull, CT 06611-0410.

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If you would like to receive our weekly parish e-mail, our digital bulletin plus other parish news, please sign up at: bit.ly/sta-email



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NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ... CAN YOUR FAMILY PLEASE HELP?



Our Lady's Guild

We have a VERY exciting year planned! Please see our upcoming calendar on the Parish website!!

Our first meeting is Thursday, September 12th - The Most Holy Name of Mary. We begin with Mass at 9AM - Celebrated by Father Franklin, followed by the Rosary. Moving to Stapleton Hall by 10AM for brunch and our guest speaker:

Rev. Christopher J. Ford

Vocations Director for Diocese of Bridgeport and Pastor of Notre Dame Church, Easton, CT

All are welcome!

The purpose of Our Lady's Guild is to promote devotion to the Blessed Mother, thus deepening our faith and drawing us closer to her son.

Membership form can be found online (https://tinyurl.com/OLG24-25) or paid at the door. Annual dues: \$35 pays for brunch and speakers.

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

Invite Our Blessed Mother in YOUR home

Our Lady appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. She asked them to tell the world to pray the Rosary for world peace. Her request is as important now as it was then. The beautiful statue of the Blessed Mother was brought back from Fatima to St. Aloysius in 2005 and has been traveling to families in our parish since then. Those who have had the statue and prayed the rosary speak of the blessings received.



Rosary beads and instructions on how to say the Rosary accompany the statue. Please take the opportunity to introduce this beautiful devotion to your family. If you have any questions about the statue or how to say the Rosary or would like to reserve a time to have the statue, please call or email Sue Lione, (203) 966-5961 or slione@optonline.net.





At times we can experience significant difficulties leaving us feeling isolated and alone. If you, or someone you know, is experiencing a difficult life situation such as: the loss of a loved one, a STEPHEN medical crisis, long-term illness or disability, divorce, family separation, or the loss of a job – please consider reaching out to a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministers at St. Aloysius are specifically trained lay Catholic men and women who accompany people emotionally and spiritually through difficult situations. A Stephen Minister will meet one-on-one with anyone who is in need to provide a confidential, patient, and non-judgmental listening ear. We want every parishioner to know that you do not need to carry vour cross alone.

If you, or someone you know, might benefit from speaking with a Stephen Minister, or to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Msgr. Rob at frrob@starcc.com.

~ Parish & Other News ~

Mother Teresa's Closet will resume accepting donations after Labor Day.



Thank you for your continued support.



Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is on hiatus and will resume on Friday, October 4th.

During this time, you are invited to stop by the church at your convenience to pray to our Lord in the Tabernacle. Thank you to all of our Adorers who have made Adoration a success this year!



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Start your planning now by contacting Angel Bodine one of our Family Advisors and a St. Aloysius parishioner at 475-422-6015 or angel.bodine@ctcemeteries.org







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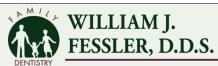
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