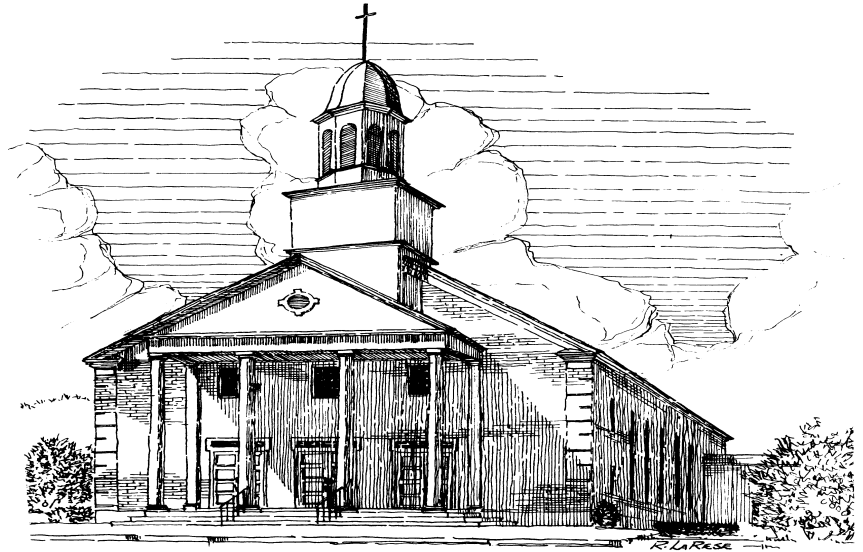


Saint Aloysius Parish

Est. 1961



Pastor: Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki

Deacon: Wayne Griffin

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 7:00 a.m.

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Holy Days 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

Parish Office

254 Burritt Street, Plantsville, Connecticut, 06479

Phone: (860) 276-9208 Fax (860) 628-7650

Email: stalloysius@aohct.org

Website: www.stalloysiusplantsville.org

Parish Secretary: Jennifer Perrin

Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS:

Reconciliation: Saturday - 3:15 p.m. and by appointment

Baptism: 1st Sunday of the month after 10:30 Mass & 3rd Sunday of the month during or after 10:30 Mass. Baptism Preparation Classes: for first time parents - last Sunday of the month.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance

Parish Membership: We welcome you into our Parish Family.

It is requested that every family in the Parish be registered and receive envelopes.

Sponsor Certificates: Those seeking a sponsor certificate must be a Catholic in good standing; attend Mass weekly; if married, be in a valid marriage, be a registered member of the parish, using the envelope system for at least 3 months.

Finance Council President: Fr. Ronald P. Zepecki

Trustees: Mr. Robert Corjulo; Mrs. Elizabeth Martin

Parish Council President: Anne Grey

Coordinator of Religious Education: Leslie Griffin

Music Director: Judy Miller

Holy Name Society President: Tom Fitzgerald

Ladies Guild President: Kathy Sima

Pro-Life Representatives: Carolyn Bean, Marlene Kulesa

Building and Grounds: Bill Langdeau; Larry Sima; Jim Sima

Meetings

Holy Name Society (Men's Club)

Every 1st Tuesday of the month at 8pm in the kitchen.

Ladies Guild

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

Parish Council

Mondays every two or three months at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium (dates to be announced)

St. Aloysius Church, Plantsville, Ct.

Really Living The Words of Jesus

Christianity is no cake-walk!! To truly live the Christian life is challenging daunting, sacrificial and yet very joyful.

Too many unchristian events are happening in the world, nay, in our own country to turn our backs as Christian men and women and walk away! Yet the silence is absolutely, unabashedly DEAFENING!!

If anyone were to ask you: What must I do to get to heaven? You simply refer them to Matthew's Gospel Chapter 25: 31-46. Perhaps you want to refer yourself to that Chapter, never mind someone else.

In part, here's what it says:

"He (God) will place the sheep on His right and the goats on His left. Then the King (God) will say to those on His right: 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

For I was hungry, and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; naked and you clothed me; a stranger and you welcomed me; ill and you cared for me; in prison and you visited me."

Please know that "left" and "right" does not refer to Democrats and Republicans. As a matter of fact they both would not reflect the Biblical "left and right", anyway.

We are a country founded upon immigrants. Most of us can trace back our ancestry to a foreign country? A high percentage, if we are honest, have family members that came here from a different land.

Today's immigrants do the same. They flee because of suppression, violence, famine, poverty and natural disasters. These are the very same reasons the Europeans left their beloved homelands to come here and receive a better education, better health and employment. They built beautiful churches, schools and homes with tremendous, diligent hard work. My ancestors and yours truly made America Great, by the sweat of their brow and being justly proud to be American citizens.

Considering who we are and where we've come from, we have to look upon scenes of children in cages, worried and terrified parents who have had their children snatched away. A father and young daughter lying face down in a river...DEAD! We ARE better people and a better nation than this!!

In our long history, we have emphatically worked to liberate people from war, famine, natural disasters with good legislation; and it has worked. One such gift to the world is the Peace Corp founded by a president whose two children each served two years in the Peace Corp!

Christianity is no cake-walk!! Our belief in Jesus as Savior rises above any theory the world presents to

us. As a matter of fact Christians, true Christians are counter-cultural. Why do we insist in wallowing in the world's theories?

Cowards don't stand up for the living words of Jesus! Yes, to be a Christian; to really be a Christian is challenging, daunting, sacrificial and very joyful.

You may wish to read the whole chapter of Matthew 25:31-46 and find out how we are going to attain Heaven; and the long road we must travel to get there.

Incidentally, the DEAFENING silence will be liable to great punishment on the day of judgement. When we could have spoken up but did not, will not bode well. Christ's justice will be heard.

Matthew chapter 25:35 "When I was a stranger, you welcomed me."

Archbishop's Recent Visit and Thank You

The recent visit of Archbishop Blair to St. Aloysius Church was a great success in large part because of all of you. I wouldn't even attempt to thank all you by name for the wonderful warm greeting you gave our Archbishop, the Spiritual Father of our Archdiocese. And so, from my heart I say a big "THANK YOU" and yet seems to be so little. We are blessed in so many ways by God and we are grateful to God and Him alone.

Incidentally, when I walked Archbishop Blair to the car his last comment was: "There are very warm and friendly people in this parish." He said at Mass he was very happy to be with us. We, in turn were happy to have him. To everyone: Thank you and may God's blessings be yours.

Funeral of Gene Freeman, Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who attended Gene Freeman's funeral on August 27th. We had about 70 people in attendance. Thank you. Anyone of the Corporal Works of Mercy gains many graces from God for us, our families and friends. I sure do hope all this for all of you who attended. May Gene rest in peace. Fr. Ron

Twenty First Sunday Ordinary Time

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Parish Picnic after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on St. Aloysius Church grounds.

September 23, 24, 25, 2019

2019-2020 C.C.D. Program begins Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, September 23, 24, 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the C.C.D. Center.

Raffle Tickets

This is the last weekend to place Raffle Tickets in the Collection basket. **We will not accept any tickets placed in the collection basket after this weekend. Visit the Raffle table the day of the Picnic to drop off your ticket Returns or to purchase Raffle Tickets.**

Picnic News

This year's Parish Picnic takes place on **Sunday, September 8, 2019 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.** Volunteer sign up sheets are located at the entrances of the Church. Please consider volunteering to make our picnic a success.

The Ladies Guild are in need of your support and help! They are looking for anyone who would bake for the dessert table. Please contact the Office at 860-276-9208.

Items **New** or "**Almost New**" are needed for the Mini Auction. Items can be placed in the Church Hall on the kitchen counter in the Church.

The Sacrament of Baptism



We welcome Jaxon Jeffrey Walsh, baptized into the Church on September 1, 2019. St. Aloysius Church congratulates the parents and Godparents. Jaxon

Jeffrey Walsh, is the son of Mark Walsh and Ann Fitzner. The Godfather of Jaxon is Robert Walsh, Jr. and Godmother is Gail Vitone. We wish all of you God's choicest blessings.



*Please Pray For The Repose
of the Soul of Gladys Levesque,
Deacon Louis P. Fusco,
Archdiocese of Hartford*

Office Closed

The Office will be closed Monday, September 2, 2019 in observance of Labor Day. The Office will re-open Tuesday, September 3, 2019.



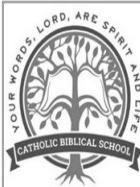
Archdiocese of Hartford Wedding Anniversary Mass Celebration

Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.
Cathedral of St. Joseph, Hartford.

Last date for registration: Friday, September 20, 2019. Contact the parish office at 860-276-9208 to register. **This Wedding Anniversary Mass is for those celebrating their 25, 50, 60, 70 or any milestone Wedding Anniversary.**

St. Stanislaus Church, New Haven, Annual Parish Picnic/Harvest Festival

St. Stanislaus Church, New Haven will hold its annual Parish Picnic/Harvest Festival, rain or shine, on Sunday, September 15, 2019, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the P.N.A. Park, 171 North Plains Industrial Rd., Wallingford, Ct. All are welcome to attend. Polish food (pierogi, golabki, kielbasa, kapusta, etc.) and American food (hot dogs, hamburgers and French fries) will be available. Special Polish and Picnic dinners will also be sold. Music for dancing will be provided by the Grammy Award nominated polka band, Dennis Polisky and The Maestro's Men from Colchester, Ct. from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Children's activities and games will be featured from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., including a presentation by the "Amazing Andy" from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is \$5.00 per person, children 16 and under are free. Parking is free. No BYOB or BYOF, please. For more information contact St. Stanislaus rectory at 203-526-2828



Hartford Catholic Biblical School

Classes will be held at St. Aloysius this year! Meet Jesus in the Bible! Hundreds of Catholic adults have attained deep renewal of spirit by studying the Bible with us. Explore the possibilities contact us today: catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org or at 860-242-5573. Check out our video online at www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org/prospective-students
Follow us on Twitter: @cbshartford. Like us on Facebook: @HartfordCatholicBiblicalSchool

Weekly Mass Schedule

August 31, Twenty Second Sunday

In Ordinary Time

Saturday

3:15 p.m.

Confessions

4:00 p.m.

Rev. Robert Chagnon

September 1, Twenty Second Sunday

In Ordinary Time

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

Roger and Rita Tanguay 70th Wedding Anniversary, requested by family

10:30 a.m. **Health and God's Blessing's for students returning to school**, requested by The Dattilo Family

September 2, 2019 Weekday

Monday

Labor Day

7:00 a.m.

Martin Talley, requested by wife, Pat

September 3, 2019 Weekday

Tuesday

St. Gregory the Great, pope and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m.

Charles Fitzgerald, requested by family

September 4, 2019 Weekday

Wednesday

Ferial Day

7:00 a.m.

Julia Malone Butkins, requested by Grand-daughter

September 5, 2019 Weekday

Thursday

St. Teresa of Calcutta

7:00 a.m.

Jeanette Norris, requested by family

September 6, 2019 Weekday

Friday

Ferial Day

7:00 a.m.

No Daily Mass

September 7, Twenty First Sunday

In Ordinary Time

Saturday

3:15 p.m.

Confessions

4:00 p.m.

Helen Dowd, requested by family

September 8, Twenty Third Sunday

In Ordinary Time

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

James E. Keating, requested by family

10:30 a.m.

Jennifer Fitzgerald, requested by Thomas Fitzgerald

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Deputy Sheriff Joseph Matusovic, requested by Bob and Ann Calcinari

September 1, 2019

September Weekly Offertory Collection

September 1, 2019	Regular Collection
September 8, 2019	Regular Collection
September 15, 2019	Regular Collection
September 22 2019	Regular Collection
September 22 2019	Catholic Elementary School Collection
September 29, 2019	Regular Collection

Offertory Collection for August 25, 2019

Regular Offertory:	\$3,868.00
Online Giving:	\$582.00
Votive candles:	\$192.00

Men's and Women's ACTS retreats

An ACTS retreat is a three-day, three-night Catholic lay retreat presented by men or women who have attended prior ACTS retreats, under the guidance of a Catholic Guide. Offering a unique format, this retreat is unlike anything you may have experienced in the past. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships within your church communities. The Retreat begins Thursday evening, **with a 5:45 p.m. check.** at the sponsoring parish. Participants will then be transported to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House, in Farmington, Ct. for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, with a morning Mass and reception at the sponsoring parish. Transportation to and from Farmington will be provided.

Go to actsct.org for more information about ACTS retreats. On the 'Events' page are links to an informative brochure and retreat registration form.

Men's Retreat September 26-29, 2019 Sponsoring Parish –Assumption Church Ansonia, Ct. For more information contact Hank Tessier at 860 729-8055 or John Coleman at 860 384-9427; Jeff Burkitt at 203 530-5335.

Women's Retreat: November 14-17, 2019 Sponsoring Parish – St. Dominic Church, Southington, Ct. For more information contact Ellen Leclair at 860 919-8196, Donna Finneran at 203 819-4461, or Paula O'Neil at 860 378-4488.

Men's Retreat: January 23-26 2020 Sponsoring Parish—St. Dominic Church, Southington For more information contact Ed Baker 860 919-2030 for more information.