

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH
1719 Post Road Fairfield CT 06824

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 Web page: stthomasfairfield.com

New Parishioners

Welcome to our Parish Community! Please register at the parish office and feel free to contact anyone on our staff regarding the Parish and its activities.

First Friday Masses

7 :00 am
 8:15 am (School Mass)
 12:10 pm

Sanctuary /Blessed Mother Candles

May be memorialized for a sick person, a deceased loved one, or in celebration of a special intention. Please call the parish office to reserve a date.

Family Mass

9:00 am Mass (3rd Sunday of the month) during the school year.

Parish Center Rentals

Contact The Parish Office

**Jubilee
 Year of Mercy**



**December 8, 2015
 till
 November 20, 2016**

Baptisms and Marriages

By arrangement with Parish Office.

Pre Baptismal Instruction

Required prior to Baptism.

Pre-Cana

Required prior to Marriage. Arrangements should be made at least 8 months in advance.

Communion Visit for the Homebound

Please call the parish office to request a visit

Jacqueline Herbert
Dir. of Religious Ed

Dominique Johnson
Religious Ed. Assistant

David E. Harris
Organist/Music Director

Patricia E. Brady
School Principal

Jessica Nayden
Youth Minister

Patricia Grassi
RCIA Coordinator

Jean Correa
 Parish Accountant
 203-255-1097

Mr. Richard Miller
Parish Advisory Bd. Chair
 203-259-0824

Mr. Edward Dayton
Parish Finance Bd. Chair
 203-255-5141

Rev. Victor T. Martin
Pastor

Rev. Lawrence A. Larson
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Roger F. McDonough
Retired-Resident Priest

Deacon Daniel J. Ianniello
Parish Deacon

Mary Jane Edwards
Pastoral Associate

Catherine T. Lopata
Secretary/Cemetery Manager

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday

Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday

7:00 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 Noon

Weekday Masses

7:00 a.m. and 12:10 Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 pm

Mission Statement:

For St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, prayer and liturgical worship is the essence of our faith community. The Gospel message is proclaimed by word and deed, nurtured by ongoing opportunities for religious formation, evangelization, social action and worship.

Message from the Pastor



This event, which runs July 22 til Aug. 2, is expected to bring 2 million people from 187 countries to the southern Polish city. They will be accompanied by 47 cardinals, 800 bishops (including our Bishop Caggiano) and 20,000 priests.

The July 30-31 vigil and Mass, on the fourth and fifth days of Pope Francis' visit, will require nearly all the participants to make the nine mile journey to Campus Misericordiae, near Poland's Wieliczka salt mine.

Our parish Youth Minister (Jessica Nayden) will be in Poland to chaperon students from St. Joseph's high school. About 235 pilgrims will be present at this event representing the diocese of Bridgeport.

My friends. Let us pray for the safety and the success of renewal for all those who are participating in this Catholic Church event.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“Teach prayer by praying, announce the faith by believing, offer witness by believing.”

Pope Francis



July 23 to July 31, 2016

Sat.	5:00 pm	Richard J. Freeburg (40th)
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	John Valentino
	10:30 am	Alfred Paul Madonna (2nd)
	12:00 Noon	Allie D. Richard
Mon.	7:00 am	Elizabeth D'Agostino
	12:10 pm	William J. Lopata Sr.
Tues.	7:00 am	Joey Kulaga
	12:10 pm	Ken and Hildegard Spigarolo
Wed.	7:00 am	Mary Margaret Curran
	12:10 pm	John P. Corr (4th)
Thurs.	7:00 am	Catherine Beauttenmuller
	12:10 pm	Maria Giansanti
Fri.	7:00 am	Sheila Hulseman
	12:10 pm	Anne P. Richard
Sat.	5:00 pm	Peter Gannon Jr.
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	Carey Gilbert
	10:30 am	Eli Gussen (17th)
	12 :00 Noon	Julianne Kennedy



Nancy Giannini	Maria Ines Galindo
Amanda Morguelan	Walter Murphy
Laura Terranova	Carl Collica
Shirley Mongillo	Annette Ham
Javier Sattler	Susan Hasiuk
Leonor Sattler	Chet Greene
Mary Durkin	Tom Lopez
Rebecca Scalera	Nancy Stevens
Irene Ercolani	Robert Dunne
Susan Ross	Joan McHugh
Betty Freddino	James Rooney
Meghan McHugh	Peggy Krotki
Sally Cohane	Mary Toth
Anthony Mongillo	Michael McGuire
Jack Andrews	Carl Palmieri
Kathleen Andrews	Rosemarie Fowler



Newly Baptized

Our Parish Family welcomes the following who were recently Baptized

Leah Ellen Strype

CONFESSIONS DURING JUBILEE YEAR

The Church of Our Lady of the Assumption 545 Stratfield Road in Fairfield will be open for Confessions on Tuesday evening 7 til 8:30 pm until November 15, 2016.

The Church of St. Pius X - 834 Brookside Drive in Fairfield will be open for Confessions every Thursday evening 7 til 8:30 pm until November 17, 2016.

WELCOME SUMMER FRIENDS!

During the summer months we welcome new friends as well as those who have been with us in previous summer months. **We Welcome YOU to our Community of Faith—your summer House of Worship**

IMPORTANT OFFERTORY REMINDER

Please remember that the bills for services necessary for our parish to operate will still need to be paid. Please remember to send your **OFFERTORY DONATION** here at St. Thomas even when you are away. We depend upon your help and support.

PARRISH SUPPORT

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2016:	\$ 8,416.45
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2015:	\$ 8,248.88
Co-Op Mission Appeal 2016:	\$ 3,476.05
Co-Op Mission Appeal 2015:	\$ 2,809.00

Electronic Giving

April 2016:	\$ 6,170
May 2016:	\$ 7,139
June 2016:	\$ 6,425

Thank You!

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK



Catherine Ryan Beuttenmuller

THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR

Elmer and Mary Dayton and Nat Cozens



OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR



*All those Unemployed
(Praying for job opportunities!)*

Jr. Lector Program



Jr. Lector program during the 2016-2017 School Year for the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. This program will be open to students in Grades Six through Twelve. We will have a training session for those interested in the fall. If you are interested in participating as a Jr. Lector please contact Mrs. Maria Pierson at maria.pierson@stasonline.net

Have you notice the Bird Feeders around the Church, Parish Center and School Grounds?? Thank you to Caitlin May, Clare McCurley, Lauren Herley and Grace Hyland who built these wonderful Bird houses for their Silver Award in Girl Scouting. Thank you again girls for a job well done!!!



ENTERING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Do you know someone who wants to become a Catholic? RCIA Classes for Adults interested begin in the Fall. Call the Parish Office at 203-255-1097...



Girl Scout Silver Award



**Knights of Columbus
Council 2616**

The Knights of Columbus on Unquowa Road have sold their building and have moved into our chapel in the Church.

The **3rd Degree** meets every First Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm.

The **4th Degree** meets every Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm.

The **Columbiettes** meet on the 4th Monday of every month at 7:30pm.

Men and women 18 years of age are invited to join.

See you in the Fall No Meetings in July and August.



Registration forms for the 2016-2017 School year can be found on the web page:

Stthomasfairfield.com

Forms are due by August 1, 2016

Questions please contact Jackie or Dominique at 203-255-1984 or

stthoaqccd@aol.com



**Knights of Columbus
Soccer Challenge**

St. Pius X Council # 16347
Saturday, August 6, 2016 9AM

Rain Date Saturday, August 13,

**FREE COMPETITION OPEN
TO BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 9 TO 14 YEARS
OLD***

***By September 1, 2016**

**Copy of Birth Certificate and Signed Parental
Authorization Form Required**

It's a penalty kick competition.

Ludlowe Middle School Soccer Field
Behind School

689 Unquowa Road, Fairfield CT

9AM Registration & Warm Up

9:30 AM Start

Come have fun and test your soccer skills. Winners progress on to district, regional, state and international levels. Winners of each age group will win an Official Knights of Columbus Soccer Ball.

For Additional Information Contact Tom Kelty by email: tkelty@gmail.com

Please Preregister by emailing Birth Certificate and Parental Authorization Form to above email address or mail to St. Pius X Church, c/o Knights of Columbus, 834 Brookside Drive, Fairfield CT 06824.



August Schedule

- Tuesday August 2: High School from 7-9pm
- Saturday August 13: Fan the Fire Youth Rally at St. Rose of Lima Church (9am-9pm)
- Wed. August 17: Middle School from 4-5:30pm, High School from 7-9pm
- Wed. August 24: High School from 7-9pm

Questions? Contact Jessica Harris at StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com