

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH
1719 Post Road Fairfield CT 06824

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 Religious Education Office—203-255-1984 School— 203-255-0556 Youth Ministry—203-256-8962
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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

**CATECHETICAL
 SUNDAY
 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

Rev. Victor T. Martin
Pastor

Rev. Lawrence A. Larson
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Roger F. McDonough
Retired-Resident Priest

Deacon Daniel J. Ianniello
Retired-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

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

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

DO WE HAVE INTEGRITY?

A person of integrity is a person who has integrated their beliefs with their behavior on a consistent basis. It is among our deepest beliefs that Jesus called us to take care of the poor. This is the point of our parable in this Sunday's Gospel. So, have we accepted Jesus' teaching?

**If we have accepted it.
Do we practice it
Do we have integrity???**

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

*"If you can't feed one hundred people,
then feed just **ONE**"*

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



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| Nancy Gianni | 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 | Susan Ross |
| Joan McHugh | Betty Freddino |
| James Rooney | Rene Ercolani Molnar |
| Meghan McHugh | Peggy Krotki |
| Sally Cohane | Mary Toth |
| Anthony Mongillo | Michael McGuire |
| Jack Andrews | Carl Palmieri |
| Kathleen Andrews | Rosemarie Fowler |
| Liam Craane | Joseph Mitchell |
| Robert DeVitto | Veronica Hughes |
| Noreen Hernandez | Margaret Poulsen |



September 24 to October 2, 2016

Sat.	5:00 pm	Mary Anderson
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	Etta G. Ryan
	10:30 am	Gloria Dellaera
	12:00 Noon	Ken and Hildegard Spigarolo
Mon.	7:00 am	Elizabeth D'Agostino
	12:10 pm	Anthony Cuda
Tues.	7:00 am	Rose Gersz
	12:10 pm	Martin Crowe
Wed.	7:00 am	Gloria Blanchard
	12:10 pm	Vivian Conwell (1st)
	7:30 pm	Fairfield Prep NHS
Thurs.	7:00 am	Steve D'Agostino
	12:10 pm	Allie D. Richard
Fri.	7:00 am	Josephine Pellicano (1st)
	12:10 pm	Fran Lynch (2nd0)
Sat.	3:00 pm	Wedding
	5:00 pm	Kenneth Spigarolo
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	Jack E. Shaughnessey
	10:30 am	Barry Ahearn
	12 :00 Noon	Paul Betty
	2:30 pm	Anointing Mass

Newly Baptized



Our Parish Family welcomes the following who were recently Baptized.

Veronica Anne Hautau



Marriage Banns

- I. Mathew Faenza and Shannon Czaplicki**
- III. Samuel Berg and Julia Horne**

Parish Support

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2016: \$ 9,942.35
 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2015: \$ 8,654.65
 Louisiana Collection 2016: \$ 2,111.75

Thank You!

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN

THIS WEEK



Nicholas Anthony Balsano

THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR

Etta G. Ryan



OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR

All those Unemployed

(Praying for job opportunities!)



High School Open House and Exam Info.

Lauralton Hall in Milford

Open House is Sunday Oct. 2nd 1:00-3:00pm. Entrance Exam will be on Saturday Oct. 15th or Oct. 22nd at 8:00am. Register for exam at www.lauraltonhall.org. Lauralton invites all 8th Grade girls to spend a day as a shadow student Oct. 5th to Dec. 9th . Call the Admissions office at 203-877-2786 ext 144 for information.

Sacred Heart Academy in Hamden

Will hold an Open House on Sunday Oct 16th 1:00-3:00pm. Entrance Exam will be held on Saturday Nov. 5th at 8:00am .Visit website at www.sacredhearthamden.org

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

St. Catherine Academy (in Fairfield) is seeking volunteers to assist our young people at their work sites along with their job coach. If you can spare 2-3 hours per week and are looking to make a difference in a young person life, this may be the placement for you.

If you are interested please call Brian Farrell at 203-540-5381.

St. Thomas Aquinas Church is on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stthomasfairfield



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

*Is there anyone who is sick and in need of God's healing? If so, then please come to our Sixteenth Annual Autumn Communal Anointing of the Sick celebration on **Sunday October 2nd at 2:30 p.m. in our Church.** The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered to anyone who has a serious illness. Anticipating major surgery, the weakness that accompanies old age or any serious illness, these are reasons for an individual to request anointing. Feel free to bring a relative or friend with you. Also, all parishioners, even though you will not/or cannot receive the Sacrament, are welcome to come and pray with us at this special Mass of healing. Please complete the form at the bottom of the bulletin and put it in the collection basket or call the **PARISH CENTER at 255-1097** to let us know that you are coming.*

This Mass will also satisfy your Sunday obligation
YES, I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

No. of People Attending: _____

Any Special Needs? (wheelchair, ride, handicap access, etc)

Please return before September 30th



First Meeting for the 2016-2017 will be Tuesday, September 27th at 6:00pm in the Parish Center. The meeting will be a planning session for the year. A light dinner will be served. The Guild meets once monthly during the school year and welcomes all current members back and welcomes new members of all ages to come and see what the guild is all about. Bernadette at 203-254-7569.



**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.

VENDORS NEEDED

Father Coleman K of C Columbiette Auxiliary
Holiday Craft and Tag Sale
To support their Charity efforts.

Event is on
Saturday October, 22nd
St. Thomas Parish Center
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

\$30 per table or 2 tables for \$50
All inquires can be directed to
Sally at 203-366-4826



September News

Sun. Sept. 25: Fall Kick Off Meetings!!!
Middle School from 4-5:30pm
High School from 7-9pm

October News

Sun. Oct. 2: High School from 7-9pm
Sat. Oct. 8: Catholic Underground at
St. Ann Church 7:30-9:30pm
Sun. Oct. 9: High School "Prayer Changes Me"
Event at Notre Dame High School 10am-3pm
Sun. Oct. 16: High School from 7-9pm
Sun. Oct. 23: High School from 7-9pm
Sun. Oct. 30: Middle School from 4-5:30pm
High School from 7-9pm

Questions? Contact Jessica Harris at
StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com



ATTENTION CCD PARENTS!

The Religious Ed Department wants to inform you of the New Policy for *your child's first day of class for Religious Education.*

You *AND your child* should report to the school **GYM** on the date and time indicated below.

**** (First Graders will meet in the parish conference room.) ****

Children will meet their catechists in the **GYM** and then be escorted from the gym to their classrooms by their teachers.

Parents will remain in the gym for a brief meeting. Pick up time will be as usual.

Monday, September 26, 2016

Grades 6 & 7 (All schools) 6:00 pm
Grade 8 (All schools) 7:15 pm

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

Grades 3, 4 & 5 4:15 pm
(Dwight, Jennings, Mill Hill, Sherman, Burr, Private)

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

Grades 3, 4 & 5 4:15 pm
(McKinley, Holland Hill, Stratfield, N. Stratfield, Osborn Hill, Riverfield)

Thursday, September 29, 2016

Grade 2 (All Schools) 4:15 pm

Parish Conference Room

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Grade 1 4:15 pm
(Dwight, Jennings, Mill Hill, Sherman, Burr, Private)

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Grade 1 4:15 pm
(McKinley, Holland Hill, Stratfield, N. Stratfield, Osborn Hill, Riverfield)

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

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