

**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH**  
**1719 Post Road Fairfield CT 06824**

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Web page: [stthomasfairfield.com](http://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.

**Parish Center Rentals**  
Contact The Parish Office

**Rev. Victor T. Martin**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Lawrence A. Larson**  
*Parochial Vicar*

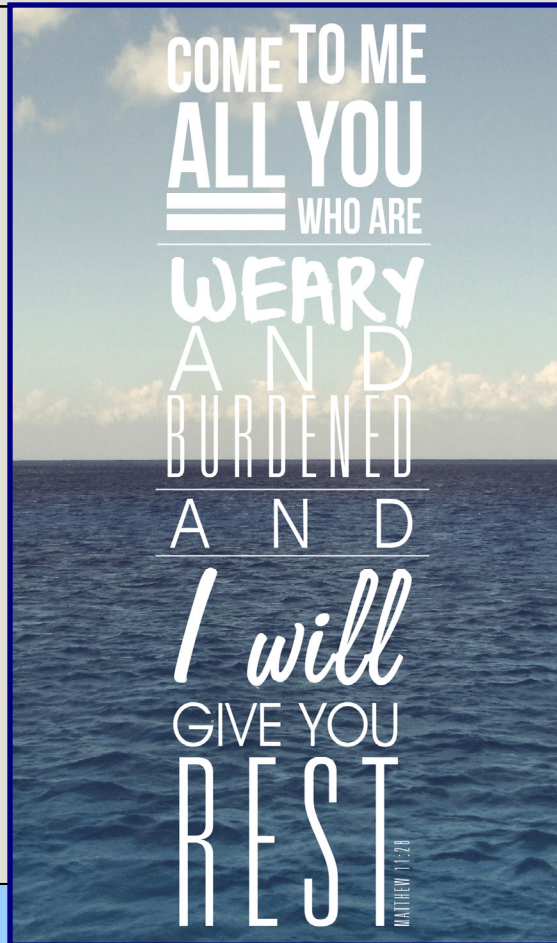
**Rev. Roger F. McDonough**  
*Retired-Resident Priest*

**Deacon Daniel J. Ianniello**  
*Retired-Parish Deacon*

**Mary Jane Edwards**  
*Pastoral Associate*

**Catherine T. Lopata**  
*Office Admin./Cemetery Mgr.*

**Gerrie Desio**  
*Office Receptionist*



**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

**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*

**David E. Harris**  
*Organist/Music Director*

**Stephen L. Anderson**  
*School Principal*

**Jessica Nayden**  
*Youth Minister*

**Robert and Jessica Nayden**  
*RCLIA 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

# PROJECT APPALACHAI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Father Martin is looking for **VOLUNTEERS** from the parish to help organize Project Appalachia this year. The truck will be here to pick up the items on Saturday: December 8<sup>th</sup>. The packing Saturdays will be November 10, 17 & December 1.

Please call the parish office if you are interested in helping organize this year's Project Appalachia.



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

July 28 to August 5, 2018

Sat.	5:00 pm	Richard J. Freeburg (42nd)
Sun.	7:00 am	For our Parish Family
	9:00 am	Anne P Richard
	10:30 am	James Ryan
	12:00 Noon	Maria Giansanti
Mon.	7:00 am	USS Indianapolis CA 35 Officers and Crew Members
	12:10 pm	Eli Gussen
Tues.	7:00 am	Elizabeth D'Agostino
	12:10 pm	Margaret E. Fitzpatrick (1st)
Wed.	7:00 am	Edward Monahan Jr.
	12:10 pm	Msgr. John J. Toomey
Thurs.	7:00 am	Lowell Ryan
	12:10 pm	Beatrice Steeneck (1st)
Fri.	7:00 am	Earl Savage
	12:10 pm	Peggy Rabbia
Sat.	<b>2:30 pm</b>	<b>Wedding</b>
	5:00 pm	Loretta Misano
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	Carey Gilbert
	10:30 am	Christopher M. Bowley
	12 :00 Noon	Susan Santucci (6th)

### NEWLY BAPTIZED



Our Parish Family welcomes the following who were recently Baptized.

**Antonio Francesco Bove**  
**Cassius Doughty Harris**  
**Maia Patricia O'Toole**

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

*"Bread plays so many roles! We have learned to recognize, in it, an instrument of the human community, because of the bread we break together.... We have learned to recognize, in it, the essential vehicle of pity, because of the bread we distribute in times of need."*

Antoine de Saint-Exupery

### Marriage Banns



**III. Saul Medina and Laura Brunetti**

*Our prayerful congratulations are extended to those who will be joined in the Sacrament of Marriage.*

### Prayer Request

Msgr. Stephen Digiovanni	FFLD. Fireman Jim Shiller
James McInerney	Joan McInerney
Barbara McShane	Amelia Mikulka
Maria Ines Galindo	Amanda Morguelan
Laura Terranova	Carl Collica
Annette Ham	Francis Xavier Edwards
Susan Hasiuk	Walter Murphy
Chet Greene	Tom Lopez
Charlie Capalbo	William Ceruzzi
Rebecca Scalera	Nancy Stevens
Hope McCauley	Jane Harwood
James Rooney	Hope McCauley
Luis Gonzalez	Patrick Carroll
Peggy Krotki	Sally Cohane
Mary Toth	Edward Schuck
Liam Crane	Joseph Mitchell
Veronica Hughes	Noreen Hernandez
Dennis Rich	Ryan Keith
Delores Weis	Kay Slovensky
John Lengen	Joseph Sciarrillo
Romano DeCastro	Margaret Carroll
Ed Zera	Nancy Roche
Brendan Maguire	Ryan Kelly
Arline Rich	Steven McGuire



**SAVE THE DATE  
SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**

St. Thomas Parish Center: Following the 5:00 pm Mass  
Come together as a parish family  
Good food / Fellowship & Sing-along!  
Additional info to come



**A Ride To Church Needed**

**A Parishioner in the Fairfield Center Area needs a ride to church on the Weekends. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office at 203-255-1097 for details.**



**THANK YOU!!!!**

**St. Thomas Aquinas Parish  
Goal \$200,000**

**2018 Annual Catholic  
Appeal Pledged to Date  
\$ 244,276**

**R.C.I.A. Classes**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults  
(R.C.I.A.)

Classes will begin in the fall. Do you know someone who wants to become a Catholic OR Catholics who did not receive all their sacraments are welcome to attend.

Please call the parish office for information.

**PARISH SUPPORT**

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2018: \$ 7,577.30  
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2017: \$ 9,954.57

*Thank You!*

**Parish Concert**

**Sunday: September 9th, 2018  
3:00 p.m.**

**Our parish Choir will remember the events of September 11th, 2011 It has been 17 years since our country was attacked.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!**



**THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN**

**THIS WEEK**

*John Valentino*



**THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR  
CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR**

*James Ryan*



**OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE  
IS LIGHTED FOR**

*All those Unemployed*



*(Praying for job opportunities!)*

**Parish Office Summer Hours**

Monday thru Thursday  
9:00am to 12:00pm  
Friday  
Closed

**The Office will be closed the  
Week of August 6th-10th**



**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.



**Friday, August 10 at 6:00pm  
Saint Rose of Lima – Newtown**

Please join us for the celebration of the Mass followed by a social with wine, cheese, and delicious appetizers. After the social, we will hear an inspiring and entertaining presentation on married life from national Catholic speaker Chris Padgett.

Free childcare will be available for children over 12 months. Infants are welcome to attend with their parents. The registration fee is \$20 per couple to register for this event please go to:

<https://www.formationreimagined.org>

*Something for  
EVERYONE!*

**“The 55+ Club”**

**(All Tuesday Meetings Begin after 12:10 Mass)**

**Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>: BBQ at the Parish Center**

**Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>: Guest Speaker**

**Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>: St. Paul the Apostle Film**

**Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Arts and Craft**

**Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>: Reflection/ Christmas Luncheon/  
Grab Bag and Student Sing-Along**

**Please RSVP for any of these dates to:**

**Gerrie Desio: Parish Office 203-255-1097**

**Peggy Toth: Leader 203-255-1097**



**Religious Education**

**2018-2019 School Year**

**Please visit our website at**

**[Stthomasfairfield.com](http://Stthomasfairfield.com)**

**For all forms and information**

Questions please contact Jackie at 203-255-1984  
or [stthoaqcd@aol.com](mailto:stthoaqcd@aol.com)



**Upcoming Schedule:**

Wednesday, August 1: Middle School & High School from 4-5:30pm

Questions? Contact Jessica Nayden at  
[StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com](mailto:StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com)



**Saturday August 11th**

The rally is open to **Teens Grade 8th thru 12th**.  
The cost is **\$45** which includes and dinner and helps to fund the service project of packaging 10,000 meals for Burkina Faso in Africa .

For more information or to register:

[www.formationreimagined.org/fan-the-fire/](http://www.formationreimagined.org/fan-the-fire/)



**St. Thomas Aquinas  
Catholic School**

**2018-2019 SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS**

**We are a Blue Ribbon School  
REGISTER NOW!**

St. Thomas Aquinas has an open admission policy. Admission is based on a personal interview, placement screening, and previous school records, when applicable.

For further information, please contact the school office between 8 am -2 pm at 203-255-0556 x 225.