

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH
1719 Post Road Fairfield CT 06824

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Web page: stthomasfairfield.com

St. Thomas Prayer Line: email staprayerline@att.net

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



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

Dr. Patrick Higgins
School Principal

Jessica Nayden
Youth Minister

Robert and Jessica Nayden
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

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

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

How can we learn to pray? In today's technological age, if you grow up in a world where every form of communication takes place on a screen – computer screens and tablet screens and smartphone screens, to name a few – then it may be natural to think about praying to God in the same way.

In a recent magazine cartoon, God is seated, looking intently at a laptop with a worried look on His face. The caption reads: "God finds all the prayers of mankind in His spam folder."

In today's Gospel from St. Luke, Jesus is praying and one of His disciples says to Him, "**Lord, teach us to pray.**" *Jesus answers, "When you pray say, 'Father, hallowed be your name.'*"

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

July 27 to August 4, 2019

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| Sat. | 5:00 pm | Richard J. Freeburg (43th) |
| Sun. | 7:00 am | Eli Gussen (20th) |
| | 9:00 am | Margaret Olore (1st) |
| | 10:30 am | Maria Giansanti |
| | 12:00 Noon | Margaret Kabel (1st) |
| Mon. | 7:00 am | Elizabeth D'Agostino |
| | 12:10 pm | Anne P. Richard |
| Tues. | 7:00 am | John Migliore |
| | 12:10 pm | Patrick McGinty |
| Wed. | 7:00 am | George and Dorothy Stafford |
| | 12:10 pm | Cait McMenamin |
| Thurs. | 7:00 am | George Stafford |
| | 12:10 pm | James Alstine |
| Fri. | 7:00 am | John Driggs (1st) |
| | 12:10 pm | Alfred Dellaera |
| Sat. | 2:30 pm | Wedding |
| | 5:00 pm | Peter Guglielmo, JoAnn Powers, Peter O'Rourke and Fr. Elio Persechino |
| Sun. | 7:00 am | Patricia Kane |
| | 9:00 am | Corey Gilbert |
| | 10:30 am | Christopher Bowley |
| | 12 :00 Noon | Marjorie Norton |

NEWLY BAPTIZED



Our Parish Family welcomes the following who were recently Baptized.

Eliana Marie Lopresti

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"The Lord's Prayer is truly the summary of the whole gospel."

Tertullian

Marriage Banns



III. Joseph Cihak and Elizabeth Levine

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

Prayer Request 

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| Msgr. Thomas Powers | Msgr. Stephen Digiovanni |
| FFLD. Fireman Jim Shiller | Msgr. Michael Bachman |
| FFLD. Fireman Larry Noga | Barbara McShane |
| Amelia Mikulka | Maria Ines Galindo |
| Amanda Morguelan | Laura Terranova |
| Carl Collica | Annette Ham |
| Susan Hasiuk | Walter Murphy |
| Tom Lopez | Charlie Capalbo |
| Rebecca Scalera | Margaret Novicki |
| Jane Harwood | James Rooney |
| James S. Filippone | Anna Tapia |
| Jill McCormack Daly | Sally Cohane |
| Mary Toth | Hillary Kane Mahoney |
| Brendan Maguire | Corrinne Batchelor |
| Liam Crane | Joseph Mitchell |
| Veronica Hughes | Noreen Hernandez |
| Ryan Keith | Delores Weis |
| John Lengen | Zosia Bartusiak |
| Romano DeCastro | Margaret Carroll |
| Isabelle Renzulli | Nancy Roche |
| James McInerney | Edward Molloy |
| Mary Hemmingway | |

Parish Office will be closed the next week
Monday July 29th-Friday August 2nd
Will Re-Open on Monday August 5th



**WE STAND WITH CHRIST
Capital Campaign
St. Thomas Aquinas Parish**



Parish Goal: \$ 1.398 million
Pledged: \$ 1.304,045 million
Gifts: 177 94 % of our Goal

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS
at ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**

- Friday September 6: Adoration 6:30pm -7:30 pm
 - Tuesday September 10th: "55" Club
 - Sunday September 15: Patriotic Concert 3:00pm
 - Tuesday September 17th: Ladies Guild Mtg. 6:00pm
 - Saturday September 28: Pasta Dinner
 - Saturday October 5: Blessing of the Animals
- More information to follow in future bulletins
and at Stthomasfairfield.org

ladies guild During the month of August a special envelope is in the packets for all Ladies of the parish to *Join The Ladies Guild.*

This important parish organization embraces a spiritual and social environment in which the women of our parish can come together. 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. Annual dues are \$10.

PARISH SUPPORT

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| 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2019: | \$ 7,890.02 |
| 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2018: | \$ 7,577.30 |
| Co-Op Mission Sunday 2019: | \$ 4,380.75 |
| Co-Op Mission Sunday 2018: | \$ 3,163.00 |

Thank You!

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 Home of Worship**

WWW. MASSTIMES.ORG

When you are traveling this summer and are looking to find a Church and their Mass schedules use the website address above to locate Masses in that area.



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK

In Loving Memory of John Valentino

THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR



Hilary Kane Mahoney

OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR



*All those Unemployed
(Praying for job opportunities)*



Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry

Is in the need of non-perishable items: cereal, pasta and pasta sauce, canned beans, peanut butter and tuna, to name a few. The are also in need of toiletries items: toilet tissue, bars of soap, toothpaste, shampoo and deodorant. There are marked boxes at the entrances of the church.

Thank you for helping restock the shelves of the pantry.



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 **Knights** meets every First 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.

**Columbiettes Will Not Meet in
July and August**



Back by popular demand
Malta House is pleased to be hosting another performance by the beloved Midtown Men, the original cast of Jersey Boys

September 14th at 6:00pm
Palace Theatre Stamford
For more information or tickets;
<https://www.maltahouse.org/events>



St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School

IS NOW ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS
FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR
We are a Blue Ribbon School

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 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at 203-255-0556 x 225.



Registration has begun for the
2019-2020 School Year

Please visit our website at
Stthomasfairfield.com
and click on Religious Education

Questions please contact Jackie at 203-255-1984
or Stthoaqccd@aol.com



Summer Youth Nights

All Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to evenings of snack, prayer, discussion and games.

Wednesdays from 6-8:00pm

July 31 Sliders and Dodgeball

August 7th Salty Snacks and Capture the Flag
Thursday August 15th Mass and Pizza (12-2:00pm)
August 21st Pies and Shaving Cream Wiffle Ball
August 28th End of the Summer Party

Questions? Contact Jessica Nayden at
StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com

**Save the Date
YOUTH RALLY
August 10th
Grades 8th to12th**

9:30 am to 10:00 pm

St Rose of Lima Church– Newtown

Please contact Jessica Nayden for additional information at:

StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com
or register at

www.bit.ly/fanthe2019

