

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

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

GET FIRED UP!

Author Jack London told the chilling tale of a brazen traveler who failed to take the peril of extreme weather conditions seriously. Building a proper fire in the right place might have kept him alive during a blizzard. Absent such a fire, the man's fate was sealed.

My friends,

Jesus assures his friends that His mission in this world is to set such a blazing, saving fire in the hearts of believers. If we carry this passionate flame, no circumstances can endanger us.

Contemplate an image of the Sacred Heart and stroke the fire in your own!



To arrange a Baptism please contact Mary Jane in the Parish Office at 203-255-1097. First Time Parents need to attend a Pre-Baptism class.

Next Baptism Class will be held on Saturday September 7th at 10:00am in the Parish Center

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Every strike brings me closer to a home run."

Babe Ruth

Parish Concert Sunday: September 15th 3:00 pm

Our parish Choir will remember the events of September 11th, 2001
It has been 18 years since our country was attacked.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

August 17 to August 25, 2019

Sat.	5:00 pm	The Padula Family
Sun.	7:00 am	Patricia Kane
	9:00 am	Margaret Krotki (1st)
	10:30 am	Luisa Giansanti
	12:00 Noon	Gertrude Healey (1st)
Mon.	7:00 am	Elizabeth D'Agostino
	12:10 pm	Margaret Camillo
Tues.	7:00 am	Robert Dunne (3rd)
	12:10 pm	Elaine Mastroni
Wed.	7:00 am	Thomas Pendleton
	12:10 pm	Thomas Murray
Thurs.	7:00 am	George Stafford
	12:10 pm	James T. Parrillo (1st)
Fri.	7:00 am	Brian McLean
	12:10 pm	Carl O'Donnell Sr. (7th)
Sat.	5:00 pm	Allie D. Richard
Sun.	7:00 am	For Our Parish Family
	9:00 am	William Van Slyck
	10:30 am	Linda Meeker
	12 :00 Noon	Vito D'Amico

Prayer Request

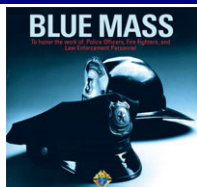
Msgr. Thomas Powers	Msgr. Stephen Digiovanni
FFLD. Fireman Jim Shiller	Msgr. Michael Bachman
FFLD. Fireman Larry Noga	Barbara McShane
Amelia Mikulka	Maria Ines Galindo
Amanda Morguelan	Laura Terranova
Carl Collica	Annette Ham
Susan Hasiuk	Walter Murphy
Tom Lopez	Charlie Capalbo
Rebecca Scalera	Margaret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



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



Parish Goal: \$ 1.398 million
Pledged: \$ 1.322,195 million
Gifts: 184 95% of our Goal



**Knights of Columbus Annual Blue Mass
Sunday September 8th at 9:30 am
St Augustine Cathedral-Bridgeport**

The Annual Blue Mass honors the Men and Women in Blue. The Blue Mass has been a Catholic tradition since 1934, started in Washington, DC. to honor Police, Fire and EMS personnel.

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.

September meeting will be on Tuesday Set. 17th at 6:00pm in the Parish Center.

NEED SOMEONE TO HELP

Recently widowed mom needs help caring for fourth grade son. Must be 18 or older and able to drive. Duties include picking up from school, help with homework, and making him dinner. Mom is nurse so hours vary each week (approximately 10-15). Occasional weekend help needed. Two people can share job if necessary. Please contact Eileen at eileenpmay@hotmail.com.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK



In Loving Memory of Carl O'Donnell Sr.

THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR



Dawn Forrest Takacs

OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR



*All those Unemployed
(Praying for job opportunities)*

PARISH SUPPORT

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2019: \$ 9,083.85
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2018: \$ 8,001.41

Thank You!

SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

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



**Menu: Pasta w/Meatballs, Salad, Garlic Bread
Dessert and Soda & Water will be provided
BYOB
A Freewill Good Offering**





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 August



At St Thomas Aquinas

Friday Sept. 6: Adoration 6:30pm

Tuesday Sept.10th: "55" Club after 12:10 Mass

Sunday Sept. 15: Patriotic Concert 3:00pm

Monday Sept. 18th:
Jesus & Me Baby Group 10:00am

Tuesday Sept.17th: Ladies Guild Mtg. 6:00pm

Sunday Sept. 22: Catechetical Sunday 9:00am Mass
Reception for volunteers in Rectory

Saturday Sept. 28: Pasta Dinner

Friday Oct. 4th: Adoration 6:30pm

Saturday Oct.5: Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, Sunday, Monday October 19-21st

Parish Retreat with Al Barbarino

Thursday Oct. 31st:

All Hallow's Eve Service 7:30pm- Church

More upcoming events are planned please look for information in future bulletins and at Stthomasfairfield.org



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



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

Wednesdays from 6-8:00pm

August 21st Pies and Shaving Cream Wiffle Ball

August 28th End of the Summer Party

Questions? Contact Jessica Nayden at
StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com



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.



**Parish Office
Summer Hours**
(To Friday Aug.30th)

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

Friday
Closed