

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.

Parish Center Rentals

Contact The Parish Office



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
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

Jacqueline Herbert
Dir. of Religious Ed

David E. Harris
Organist/Music Director

Stephen L. Anderson
School Principal

Jessica Nayden
Youth Minister

Patricia Grassi
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

PRAISE THE LORD

Simon’s mother-in-law, whose instantaneous cure is clearly a miraculous, responds by jumping up and **“waiting on them.”** She is happy to serve because, thanks to Jesus, she is once more able to do so.

Simon’s mother-in-law may not realize it, but she is providing an example to her son-in-law and his companions. She is showing what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

The call to be Jesus’ disciple is the call **“to serve.”**



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.

To arrange a Wedding please contact Mary Jane in the Parish Office. Pre-Cana classes are required for weddings. To register for Pre-Canna Classes www.bridgediocese.com



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“I made myself all things to all people in order to save some at any cost.”

St. Paul to Corinthians

Parish Support

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2018: \$ 8,513.29
 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2017: \$ 8,425.50
 Church in Latin America 2018: \$ 2,524.88
 Church in Latin America 2017: \$ 2,729.05

Thank You!



February 3 to February 11, 2014

Sat.	5:00 pm	Margaret Martire
Sun.	7:00 am	Eileen Brown
	9:00 am	Msgr. William F.X. Casey (35th)
	10:30 am	Donna K. McIntyre
	12:00 Noon	Joseph F. Rabbia
Mon.	7:00 am	Elizabeth D’Agostino
	12:10 pm	Christopher McEtrick
Tues.	7:00 am	Teddy Gerber
	12:10 pm	Dorothy M. Fodor (19th)
Wed.	7:00 am	Louise Risely
	12:10 pm	Maria Venezia
Thurs.	7:00 am	Greg J. King (1st)
	12:10 pm	Frances Hessel & Ellen Batchelor
Fri.	7:00 am	Kathe Dunne
	12:10 pm	Cameron McDermott
Sat.	5:00 pm	Dorothy Y Davis (63rd)
Sun.	7:00 am	For the Parish Family
	9:00 am	Donna K. McIntyre
	10:30 am	Gail L. Edwards
	12 :00 Noon	Owen J. Black Jr. (1st)



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
Irene Ercolani	Jane Harwood
James Rooney	Rene Ercolani Molnar
Luis Gonzalez	Patrick Carroll
Peggy Krotki	Sally Cohane
Mary Toth	Rosemarie Fowler
Liam Crane	Joseph Mitchell
Veronica Hughes	Noreen Hernandez
Dennis Rich	Frank Slovensky
Delores Weis	Kay Slovensky
John Lengen	Joseph Sciarrillo
Romano DeCastro	Mary Jane Edwards
Frank “Bud” Carroll	Margaret Carroll
Ed Zera	Nancy Roche
Brendan Maguire	



2018 Annual Catholic Appeal Begins.....

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

Education Weekend // Appeal Video — March 10/11

In-Pew Weekend — April 28/29

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE OUR GOAL!!!



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

At 7:00PM

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH CENTER

**"Open Mic Night"
at the Heavenly Grounds Café**

**HOSTED BY THE
ST. THOMAS LADIES GUILD**

**~Performed by
St. Thomas Choir and Friends~**

~Doors open at 6:00pm ~

Bring your own food and drink

**CALL OR STOP BY PARISH OFFICE FOR
TICKETS (tables of 8) ~203-255-1097~**

A Message from Fr. Martin

*When there is **NO SCHOOL** in
Fairfield due to the Weather the
7:00 am Mass is **Cancelled**.*



FISH FRY FOR 2018

Will be on

FRIDAY, MARCH 2nd 4:30- 7:00pm

Menu will be in next weeks bulletin.

**Volunteers are needed please contact
Tammy.**

**Questions? Contact Tammy at 203-314-4423
or by email at tmbjbj@aol.com**



**Girl Scout Troop 30303 Sponsored
Food Drive for Operation Hope
Next Weekend February 10th and 11th**

After the holidays the shelves have been wiped empty and by bringing in shelf safe milk, canned and dried meats, tuna, coffee, jelly, honey, syrup, granola bars, chili, stew, clam chowder, canned fruit, condiments, salad dressing, cereal, oatmeal, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, and shaving supplies, we can all help bring food to those who really need it.

Look for the bins marked Girl Scout Food Drive at all the entrances of the Church on Feb. 10th/11th.

All donations are greatly appreciated and we look forward to giving the items to the members of Operation Hope!

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN



THIS WEEK

Lucy P Durkot

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



Special Intention

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



All those Unemployed

(Praying for job opportunities!)



**Caroline House Starry
Night Gala Friday, April 6th
6:30 – 11:00 pm**

The Inn at Longshore, Westport

Caroline House is honoring Cindi Bigelow, President & CEO of Bigelow Tea for her many contributions to the Caroline House mission. Tickets are \$195. Please visit www.thecarolinehouse.org or contact Christine at cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org



**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.



Seniors Only Valentine's Dance

Wednesday February 7

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

**Lauralton Hall
200 High Street Milford**

Please join us for an afternoon of fun for the annual Key Club Senior Only Valentine's Dance.

Refreshments and Free Admission, and Live music featuring The Survivors.

RSVP to Lauralton Hall at 203-877-2786.

**In the event that school is closed due to inclement weather, the event will be cancelled. Please call the above number to check status if in question.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**



**March 2, 3, and 4th
at Sacred Heart University**

Convivio is a conference for youth, organized and led by youth. Local High School and College Students, who are leaders in their parishes, schools, and communities.

This years theme is "Made For More" Please visit the website <http://www.convivio-us.org> for information and to register .



February News

Feb. 12 Mon.: Grade 8 Confirmation Test and Last day of Class for Grade 8

Feb. 14 Wed: Ash Wednesday, Ashes will be distrusted to all students in classrooms

Feb. 19 Mon: **No Classes– Winter Break**

Feb. 20 Tues.: Grade 8 Penance Service (for School and CCD Students) 7:00pm in Church.

Feb. 21 Wed.: Confirmation Practice for Grade 8
Group 1: Child Only –5:45-7:15 pm in Church
Group 2: Child Only– 7:15-8:45 pm in Church

Feb. 23 Fri.; Confirmation Practice for Grade 8
Group 1: Sponsor &Child –5:45-7:15 pm in Church
Group 2: Sponsor &Child – 7:15-8:45 pm in Church

Feb. 24 Sat: Confirmation at 11:00am and 2:00pm

PLEASE NOTE:

**When Fairfield Schools are closed
CCD classes are automatically canceled.
For information on weather related cancellations**

**TV Channel 3, Channel 8, or Channel 12and
ctweather.com**

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

YOUTH GROUP

February News

Sun. Feb 11: High School from 6-8pm

Sun. Feb.25: Middle School from 4-5:30pm
High School from 6-8pm

**CHWC in Groton, MA
June 24-June 29, 2018**

<http://www.st-pius.org/catholic-heart-workcamp-mission-trip/>

We are attending Catholic Heart Work Camp in Groton, MA again next summer with St. Pius X Church. Paola at St Pius is organizing registration.

Questions? Contact Jessica Nayden at
StThomasFairfieldYouth@gmail.com