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CATHOLIC MOTHER CHURCH OF FAIRFIELD

Our Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Christopher J. Samele
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Mary Jane Edwards
Pastoral Associate

Catherine T. Lopata
Office Administrator/
Cemetery Manager

Jacqueline Herbert
Director of Religious Education

Mr. David Harris
Organist/Music Director

Church Schedule

Weekday Masses: 7:00 am and 12:10 pm

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses
8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 Noon

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Confessions:
Saturday 4:00 pm—4:45 pm

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Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Friday
9:00 am to 12:00 Noon

Parish /Cemetery Office 203-255-1097
Email: stthoaq@aol.com

Religious Education Office
203-255-1984

Web page: stthomasfairfield.com

St. Thomas Prayer Line:
stthomasfairfieldprayerline@gmail.com

Our Parish Leadership

Parish Trustees
Mr. John Fodor & Mrs. Cynthia Lambert

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Mr. Richard Miller (203-259-0824)

Parish Finance Board Chairman
Mr. Edward Dayton (203-255-5141)

Parish Accountant
Ms. Jean Correa

Our Parish Mission Statement

For St. Thomas 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 evangelization, social action and worship.

Holy Mass Schedules

May 27 and May 28, 2023

Sat.	**5:00 pm**	**Leanne Mary Faris**
Sun.	**8:00 am**	**William Smith**
	10:00 am	**Julie Durango (2nd)**
	12:00 pm	**Ralph Castro**
Mon.	**8:00 am**	**Mass for Memorial Day**
Tue.	**7:00 am**	**Msgr. John J. Barney (50th)**
	12:10 pm	**Michael E. Herbert**
Wed.	**7:00 am**	**For Our Parish Family**
	12:10 pm	**Michael E. Herbert (1st)**
Thu.	**7:00 am**	**Raymond Toth (35th)**
	12:10 pm	**Msgr. Jean C. Tetreault (20th)**
Fri.	**7:00 am**	**Gail L. Edwards (9th)**
	12:10 pm	**Wendell J. Barry**

June 3 and June 4, 2023

Sat.	**5:00 pm**	**Charlie Capalbo**
Sun.	**8:00 am**	**Dana Lyons (1st)**
	10:00 am	**Leanne Faris**
	12:00 pm	**John Dougherty**

FROM THE PASTOR
SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Fifty days ago, we began this Easter Season with the Easter Vigil Mass, when on the Eve of Easter Sunday we were given the first opportunity to celebrate Jesus' victory over the grave.

We recall that now as we gather for this Mass of Pentecost, our first opportunity to celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the people of God. ***May the power of the Holy Spirit renew our hearts and our world.***

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Pray for

Deacon Daniel Ianniello Jim Krotki Emerson Rose Shane Amelia Mikulka Nancy Roche Edward Malloy Tom Lopex Maria Ines Galindo Anna Tapia Liam Crane Amanda Morguelan Laura Terranova Carl Collica Raymond Smith Susan Hasiuk Walter Murphy Ryan Keith Theresa Long Margaret Novicki Jane Harwood James Rooney Zosia Bartusiak Maureen Ford James S. Filippone Aurora Romano DeCastro John Lengen Jill McCormack Daly Brendan Maguire Jane Broderick Joseph Mitchell Wendy Scippa Veronica Hughes Maureen Broderick Dave Sullivan Susan Noyes Richard Flanagan Margaret William P. Cummings Mary Brennan Alana Weisman Nancy Hackett Manny Lopez Peggy Galbicsek Louise Kish Krista Roy Charles Myer and all those affected and suffering with the Corona Virus and Pandemic Anxieties.

Please contact the Parish Office if any of the names should be removed.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK

In Loving Memory of
Michael E. Herbert

THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED THIS WEEK FOR

In Loving Memory of
Audrey Mason O'Toole

OUR ST. JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR

All those Unemployed
(Praying for job opportunities)

THE MAIN ALTAR CANDLE IS LIGHTED FOR

The safety and well-being of
ALL PEOPLE
During this pandemic!

PRAYER REQUEST
FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED
ESPECIALLY

Frank J. Kocsis

We are happy to welcome to
The Family of God

Livia Frances LoPresti
Beau Donovan Alves

PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed on
Monday May 30th

8:00 am Daily Mass Only

Enjoy your Memorial Day

Knights of Columbus Council 2616

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.

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Columbiettes News

No Meetings in July and August

ST THOMAS PRAYER LINE

Please email your prayer request to:
stthomasfairfieldprayerline@gmail.com

If you would like to pray for those in need of prayers, (these are not mentioned in the Prayer For in the bulletin) and you have access to email, please place "Prayer Contact" in the subject line and we will email you prayers requests as they are received.

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St Thomas Rosary Prayer Group

The group meets Wednesdays during the school year in the Chapel/Cry Room of the church at 8:30am. The Prayer group is open to all Parish Members

Religious Education

2023-2024 Registration will begin shortly please check the bulletins for details.

Returning Parents will also receive an email.

Questions please contact Jackie in the Religious Education Office at 203-255-1984

PARISH SUPPORT

1,314 parishioner registered
(Total includes electronic Giving)

Ascension Thursday:

$ 1,039.00

7th Sunday of Easter:

$ 8,221.00

Catholic Communications:

$ 504.00

April Capital Fund:

$ 1,803.00

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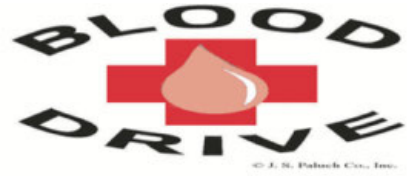

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American Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday July 5th
8:00 am to 6:00 pm
St Thomas Parish Center Gym
To make an appointment/questions
1-800-redcross (1-800-733-2767)
https://www.redcrossblood.org

Never To Early To Schedule an Appointment

Adore 365

Perpetual Adoration at St. Pius

St. Pius X Parish is preparing to launch perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. With our Adore 365 effort, we are searching for people who are willing to commit to giving our Lord one hour each week.

If you would like to participate in Perpetual Adoration or receive more information about this effort, please e-mail saintpiusxadoration@gmail.com, including your full name and phone number.

Join us in adoring Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament!

St. Pius X is located at 834 Brookside Drive www.st-pius.org

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Donations to the Bishop's Appeal enable inner-city youth to become faith-filled, industrious, responsible and well-educated adults. Our world and the Church need these young students to excel academically and to develop a strong and active faith in God.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2023BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470

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87.74% of Goal

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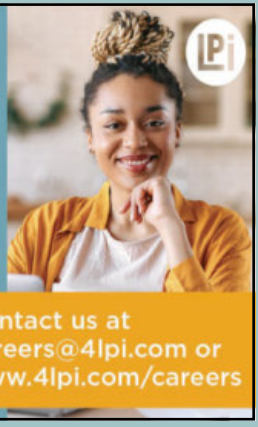

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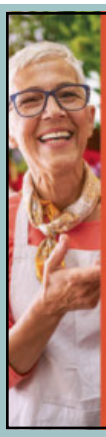

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