



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### CHAPLAIN, MAJ. THOMAS S. FOLEY

Chaplain Maj. Thomas S. Foley is the Chaplain for Defense Media Activity and the Defense Information School, Fort George Meade, Maryland, where he provides free exercise of religion and spiritual care for faculty, staff and students. In addition, he advises leadership on matters of religion, morality and morale.

Ordained a Roman Catholic priest for the Archdiocese of Boston in 1986, Chaplain Foley served in parish ministry for more than twenty years and then was assigned to a senior position in the office of the Archbishop of Boston. In 2012 he was endorsed by the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA and was commissioned in the United States Air Force to serve in the Chaplain Corps. In 2014 Chaplain Foley deployed to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.



### EDUCATION

1982 Bachelor of Arts, Saint John Seminary College, Boston, Mass.

1986 Master of Divinity, Saint John Seminary School of Theology, Boston, Mass.

1992 Licentiate in Sacred Theology, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Cambridge, Mass.

2012 Officer Training School, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2013 Basic Chaplain Course, Air University, Fort Jackson, S.C.

2015 Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell  
AFB, Ala.

2024 Air Command and Staff College Distance Learning Program, Air University, Maxwell  
AFB, Ala.

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. August 2012 - October 2015, Chaplain, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D. (January 2014-July 2014, Chaplain, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar)
2. October 2015 - May 2019, Chaplain, Headquarters, Air Force Recruiting Service, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas
3. May 2019 - July 2022, Chaplain, Headquarters, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.
4. July 2022 – February 2024, Deputy Wing Chaplain, 366<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho
5. February 2024 – June 2025, Wing Chaplain, 366<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho
6. June 2025 – Present, Chaplain, Defense Media Activity and the Defense Information School, Fort Meade, Md.

### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation

Medal Army Achievement

Medal

### **OTHER ACHIEVMENTS**

28th Bomb Wing, Wing Staff Agency Company Grade Officer of the Year, 2013

### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION**

Captain August 13, 2012

Major July 1, 2022

(Current as of June 2025)