

**ST. MARGUERITE  
BOURGEOYS  
PARISH**

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**Mass Schedule**

- Saturday: 4:30 pm Vigil
- Sunday: 8:30 am; 11 am;  
5 pm (no music)
- Monday-Friday: 8:30 am

**Morning Prayer**

8:15 am before weekday Mass

**Confession**

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm  
or by appointment

**Adoration Chapel and  
Church are open**

9 am-5 pm

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
daily at 3 pm

**Rosary**

Saturdays at 4 pm

**Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-3 pm  
Friday: 9 am-noon

**Offertory**

Mar 11/12: \$4,774.00  
OLG: \$841.00

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# E-News



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT · 19 MARCH 2023

**LENT** is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

**Stations of the Cross:** Fridays at 7 pm.

**Lenten Study with Fr. Shawn:** During Lent we will be journeying through the New Testament to see how the Eucharist is found there explicitly. Remaining classes will take place on March 23 and 30.

**Standards for Fast and Abstinence:** Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Every person age 18-59 must fast on Good Friday. To fast means only one complete meatless meal can be taken. Other smaller meals, if taken at all, cannot equal in quantity to the one meal.

**We are asking for your support, to the extent you can, and urging you to participate in this year's "One in Christ" Appeal.** To make a gift, or for more information, visit [2023BishopsAppeal.org](http://2023BishopsAppeal.org) or call 203.416.1470. See page five for more details.

**Reserve now!** Pilgrimage through New York and Canada to visit famous Catholic shrines of the North American Martyrs, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Marianne Cope, St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, St. Joseph Oratory and St. Anne de Beaupre in luxury motor coach June 19-23. See the link on the parish website to view the itinerary, hotels, costs, and travel needs or pick up a flyer in the back of the church. **In order to secure the hotels and bus, reservations for this trip must be made by March 27.** Questions? Contact [maryellentieran@icloud.com](mailto:maryellentieran@icloud.com) or call 845.661.8586.

Ladies, deepen your relationship with Jesus and Mary through prayer, works of mercy, and spiritual activities by participating in the **Sodality of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys**. Our next gathering is Monday, April 24 at 6:30 pm in room 1. Contact [cmangini@snet.net](mailto:cmangini@snet.net) or call the parish office for more information.

**Ladies' Day Retreat: Saturday, April 22 at the Convent of St. Brigitta** in Darien, 10 am-3 pm. Spend a day in retreat with reflections, adoration, and prayer. The cost is \$50/person and includes a hot lunch. Please contact Mary Ellen at [metiernan@stmarguerite.org](mailto:metiernan@stmarguerite.org) no later than Sunday, March 19 if you are interested in attending.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Mon, Mar 20: St Joseph**

8:30 +Jackie Goin by Cenacle Prayer Group

**Tues, Mar 21**

8:30 +Anthony Nacinovich by Annette and Mario Nacinovich

**Wed, Mar 22**

8:30 +Ursula Dehn by Laura Pizzirusso

**Thurs, Mar 23: St Turibius of Mogrovejo**

8:30 +Michael and Stella Miska by their son

**Fri, Mar 24**

8:30 +Joan C Toomey by family

**Sat, Mar 25: The Annunciation of the Lord**

4:30 Dec Mbrs of LeBlanc family by family; Ints of Kinzig and Langridge grandchildren

**Sun, Mar 26: Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:30 L/D Mbrs of Madden, Murphy, and Malone families

11:00 +Michael McLoughlin by family;

+Jackie Goin by Laura Kabulis

5:00 Ints of Cecilia Biasetti

Offering: Mass-\$10; Altar Candles-\$20; Hosts-\$15; Sanctuary Candle-\$10;  
Sacramental Wine-\$10. To request Mass intentions, contact Linda at  
[ldiorio@stmarguerite.org](mailto:ldiorio@stmarguerite.org) or (203) 775-5117, x212.

March 20-26: Sanctuary Candle (Chapel):  
Ints of the Ohayan family by DeKoskie family

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

**Tues, Mar 21**

9:15 am:  
Legion of Mary

**Wed, Mar 22**

7:30 pm:  
NA

**Thurs, Mar 23**

6:30 pm:  
Bible Study

**Fri, Mar 24**

7 pm: Stations of  
the Cross



ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS CHURCH & ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISH PRESENT:

# Catholic Saints of New York & Canada

## Syracuse • Montreal • Quebec

**Saint Marianne Cope Shrine • Marguerite Bourgeoys Museum**  
**Saint Joseph's Oratory • Sainte Anne de Beaupre**

**June 19-23, 2023 Mon-Fri**

Day 1: Depart aboard a deluxe motorcoach as we head to upstate New York & Canada. En route we'll stop at **NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS**. This afternoon visit the **SAINT MARIANNE COPE SHRINE** in Syracuse, NY to learn about the inspiring life of this beloved Catholic saint. The Shrine features exhibits and artifacts that showcase her legacy of selflessness, compassion, and dedication to helping those in need. Don't miss the opportunity to pay your respects and gain a deeper appreciation for the life and work of Saint Marianne Cope. Overnight accommodations at the **EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON** Syracuse. Welcome dinner marks our arrival.

Day 2: Following breakfast we depart for Montreal, Canada known for its old-world charm that encompasses history and modern culture and visit the **MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS MUSEUM**. Exhibits focus on Marguerite Bourgeoys, Montreal's first teacher and founder of the Notre-Dame-de-Bon-Secours Chapel, who lived during the 17th century. Display highlight her accomplishments that recall the great courage of the early colonists who built Montreal. Overnight accommodations at the **RENAISSANCE MONTREAL CENTRE-VILLE**. Dinner tonight at a local restaurant.

Day 3: Rising majestically above the cityscape is **SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY**. The oratory was built to honor Saint Joseph, the patron saint of Canada, and is situated on the slopes of Mount Royal offering a stunning panoramic view of Montreal. The oratory features a massive dome that rises to a height of 97 meters, making it one of the largest church domes

in the world. This afternoon we depart for magnificent Quebec City - a World Heritage City on the beautiful St. Lawrence River! Spend 2 nights at the **MARRIOTT QUEBEC CITY DOWNTOWN** located near Parliament Hill and just steps away from Old Quebec. Dinner tonight at a local restaurant.

Day 4: Enjoy a **GUIDED TOUR** of this vibrant city - highlights include the Plains of Abraham, Place D'Armes, Latin Quarter and more. This afternoon we visit **SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRE SHRINE**. For over 350 years, people have been gathering at this Shrine dedicated to Sainte Anne, the grandmother of Jesus. Farewell dinner tonight.

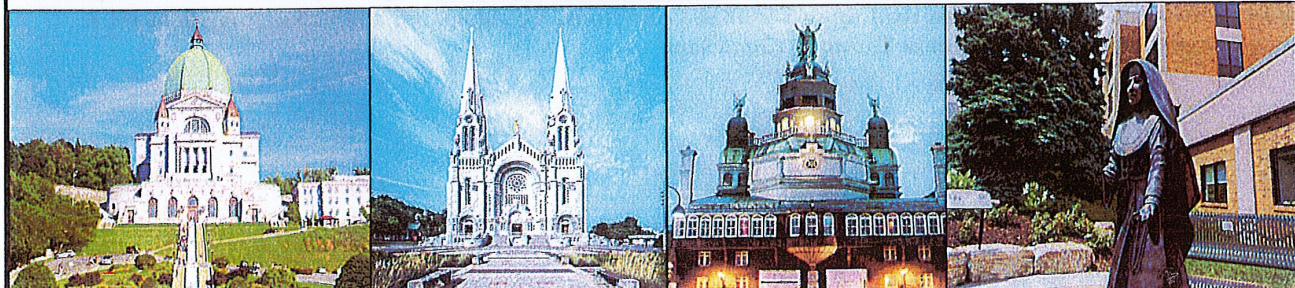
Day 5: Morning departure for home...taking with us memories of our spiritual trip to Syracuse, Montreal & Quebec City.

**COST: \$1799 pp double / triple**  
**\$2509 pp single based on 30**

**INCLUDES:** Deluxe motorcoach, 4 nights hotel, 1 breakfast, 4 dinners, sightseeing & admissions as per itinerary, Friendship Tours Escort, Driver & Tour Director Gratuity

**PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP REQUIRED:**  
**A VALID PASSPORT**

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**DEPARTURE:** 1. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 138 Candlewood Lake Rd, Brookfield, CT  
2. St. Marianne Cope Church, 340 Hudson St., Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, NY

**DEPOSIT:** \$500 pp due with reservations by March 27, 2023

**FINAL PAYMENT:** May 1, 2023

**CHECKS PAYABLE & MAILED TO:** Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys Church  
138 Candlewood Lake Rd, Brookfield, CT 06804

**FOR RESERVATIONS:** Mary Ellen Tiernan 845-661-8586

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** If a passenger cancels from deposit to May 8, 2023 fee of \$100 pp; May 9 to June 5, 2023 fee of \$400 pp; no refunds if cancelled on June 6, 2023 or later unless a substitute is provided.

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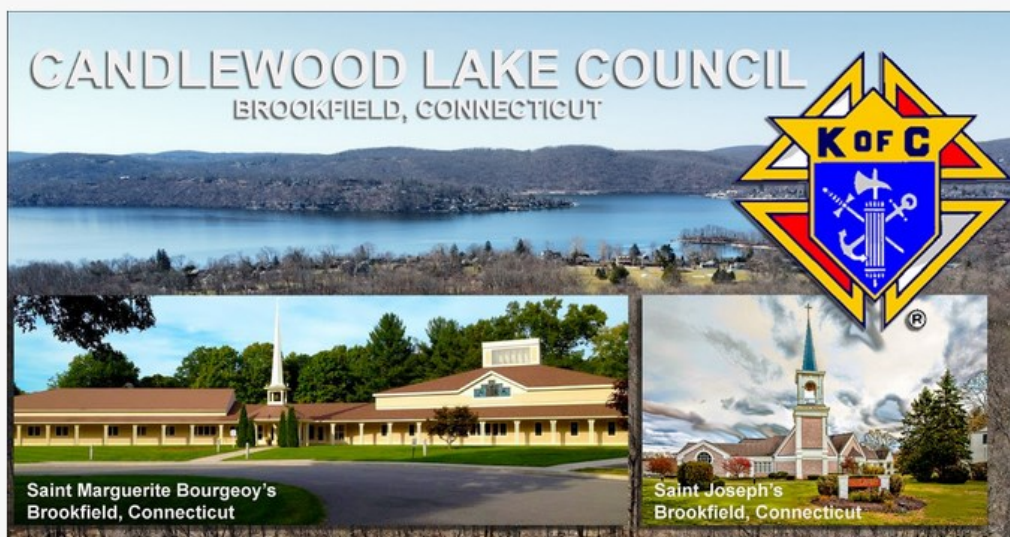


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# Candlewood Lake Knights of Columbus Council



## Palm Crosses 2023

This year, by popular demand, pre-ordered (only) Palm Crosses will be available for purchase now through Sunday March 26th, 2023 and your pick up on **Palm Sunday on Sunday April 2nd, 2023** at

**St. Marguerites or  
St. Joseph's**

between 8am and 1pm (or by other pre-arrangements) \$20.00 each, your choice of bow colors.

**ORDER ONLINE NOW**

<https://candlewood-lake-council---knights-of-columbus.square.site/>

\$20.00 each pre-ordered only

**Order deadline Sunday - March 26, 2023**

**Order today so you don't forget!**

**Pick-Up on Palm Sunday April 2nd 2023 - 8am to 1pm**

**St. Marguerites parking lot (drive-thru) or**

**St. Joseph's parking lot (drive-thru)**

or 24 hours earlier by pre-arrangement

**Your choice of bow colors:** Purple, Lavender, Pink, Fuchsia, White, Yellow, Light Blue and Royal Blue.





The **2023 Bishop's Appeal** provides the funds for the pastoral, educational, and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Bridgeport. This year's theme, **One In Christ**, seeks to unite the diocese in service, compassion, and faith as we work together to bring our sisters and brothers together to encounter and embrace the power of the Lord Jesus in our lives.

We are asking for your support, to the extent you can, and urging you to participate in this year's "One in Christ" Appeal.

"One in Christ" is the theme of this year's Bishop's Appeal and refers to our diocesan commitment to create a culture of accompaniment that will offer many opportunities to encounter the love and grace of the Lord Jesus in ordinary and extraordinary ways. It provides the faithful and those seeking God with an opportunity to be

accompanied in their life of faith and discipleship to pass on to the next generation.

In that spirit, please consider the many ways the 2023 Bishop's Appeal unites the diocese in service, compassion, and faith by viewing Bishop Caggiano's short message at <https://youtu.be/SZM0CKfpmuU>. Learn how as a spiritual community we are truly "One in Christ" in answering God's call to serve others.

**If you have not yet responded to the 2023 Bishop's Appeal, please reflect upon the importance of your support to ministry and outreach that relies upon the charity of the Diocese of Bridgeport. The challenge is immediate and far-reaching, but the solution is within our reach!**

Please consider the following options when deciding upon the best way to support the Bishop's Appeal this year:

- Make a pledge and spread out your payments over 5 or 10 months
  - Make an automatic monthly recurring gift until you inform the Diocese to adjust or discontinue.
  - Donate online by going to the diocesan website, [2023BishopsAppeal.org](https://2023BishopsAppeal.org)
  - Check if your employer will match your gift through the Corporate Matching Gift Program
  - Donate a one-time gift
  - Contribute a gift of appreciated stocks or securities
- Whatever you decide, your gift will be greatly appreciated and make a difference in the lives of others.



To make a gift, or for more information, visit [2023BishopsAppeal.org](https://2023BishopsAppeal.org), call 203.416.1470, or scan the QR code with your phone.





# Eucharistic Miracle of LUDBREG

CROATIA, 1411



During Mass at Ludbreg in 1411, a priest doubted whether the Body and Blood of Christ were really present in the Eucharistic species. Immediately after being consecrated, the wine turned into Blood. Today the precious relic of the miraculous Blood still draws thousands of the faithful, and every year at the beginning of September the so-called “Sveta Nedilja - Holy Sunday” is celebrated for an entire week in honor of the Eucharistic miracle that occurred in 1411.



Fresco depicting the scene of the miracle



Fresco depicting the procession held in Rome in 1513, in which Pope Leo X is carrying the precious relic through the city streets



In 1753, the Batthyany family had Mihail Peck decorate the castle chapel where the miracle took place with frescoes depicting the stages of the miracle



Since 1721, the relic of the Precious Blood has been kept in a precious monstrance of the Augsburg goldsmiths' school commissioned by Countess Eleonora Batthyany-Serattman, who gave it as a gift to the church in Ludbreg



The chapel of the Batthyany family castle where the miracle occurred



Interior of the chapel of the Batthyany family castle

In 1411 at Ludbreg, in the chapel of the Count Batthyany's castle, a priest was celebrating Mass. During the consecration of the wine, the priest doubted the truth of transubstantiation and so the wine in the chalice turned into Blood. Not knowing what to do, the priest embedded this relic in the wall behind the main altar. The workman who did the job was sworn to silence. The priest also kept it secret and revealed it only at the time of his death. After the priest's revelation, news quickly spread and people started coming on pilgrimage to Ludbreg. The Holy See later had the relic of the miracle brought to Rome, where it remained for several years. The people of Ludbreg and the surrounding area, however, continued to make pilgrimages to the castle chapel. In the early 1500s, during the pontificate of Pope Julius II, a commission was

convened in Ludbreg to investigate the facts connected with the Eucharistic miracle. Many people testified that they had received marvelous cures while praying in the relic's presence. On April 14, 1513, Pope Leo X published a Bull permitting veneration of the holy relic which he himself had carried in procession several times through the streets of Rome. The relic was later returned to Croatia.

*In the 18th century*, northern Croatia was ravaged by the plague. The people turned to God to call upon his help, and the Croatian Parliament did the same. During the session held on December 15, 1739 in the city of Varazdin, they vowed to build a chapel at Ludbreg in honor of the miracle, if the plague ended. The plague was averted, but the promised

vow was only fulfilled in 1994, when democracy was restored in Croatia. In 2005 in the votive chapel, the artist Marijan Jakubin painted a large fresco of the Last Supper in which Croatian saints and blessed were drawn in place of the Apostles. St. John was replaced with Blessed Ivan Merz, who was included among the 18 most important Eucharistic saints in the Church's history during the Synod of Bishops on the Eucharist held in Rome in 2005. In the painting, Christ is holding in his hand a monstrance containing the relic of the Eucharistic miracle.



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*The relic of  
the Blood has  
remained perfectly  
intact and is  
kept in a precious  
monstrance made  
at the request  
of Countess  
Eleonora  
Batthyany-  
Strattman  
in 1721.*



Shrine of the Miracle of the Precious Blood, Ludbreg



Interior of the shrine



Procession held every year in September, during the week when the miracle called *Sveta Nedelja* is celebrated



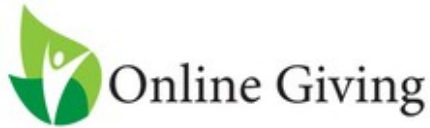
Marijan Jakubin, *The Last Supper*, Shrine of the Miracle of the Precious Blood, Ludbreg



- \* First class flag stamps
- \* 8.5x11 white copy paper
- \* Manila file folders (1/3 cut, letter size)
- \* Banker's boxes
- \* Gift cards to BJ's, Costco, and Amazon

Link to Amazon wish list: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref=wl_share)

**Thank you for your support of the parish!**



**Online Giving** allows you to make donations through the parish website. This convenient option for giving to your parish makes use of current technology and security standards and allows you to easily set up recurring contributions. There are many benefits for you and your parish.

To sign up, visit [stmarguerite.org](http://stmarguerite.org) and click on the "Donate" tab. Contact Linda in the Parish Office at (203) 775-5117, ext. 212 with any questions. **Thank you for your support!**

**Parishioner Benefits:**

- \* Secure and confidential. Adheres to banking security standards
- \* Flexible. Start, stop, and change your contributions at any time
- \* Simple and easy account setup
- \* Contribute using direct withdrawal or credit card
- \* Functional. You receive reminders and notifications about transactions

**Parish benefits:**

- \* Stabilize contributions. Allows parish to effectively manage monthly expenses, based on consistent support
- \* Secure and confidential. No need to store parishioners' account information
- \* Convenient. Easy for everyone to contribute to the parish

**St. Marguerite Bourgeays Parish  
We Stand With Christ  
Campaign Redemption**



**We Stand With Christ**  
A CAMPAIGN FOR THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

**Total Pledged: \$905,485.00**

**Total Collected (as of 11/29/22): \$588,814**

**Total Cash Due to the Parish (as of 11/29/22): \$241,905.49**

To make a payment on your pledge, visit [GiveCentral.org/WSWC](http://GiveCentral.org/WSWC) or call (203) 648-9050.





# ST. MARY PARISH

## DISCIPLES 4 LIFE

## ADULT RETREAT

You are invited to come and be part of St. Mary's Disciples 4 Life Parish Retreat! This is a personal retreat, open to all adult men and women. This retreat takes place during Lent-the perfect time to grow more deeply in our faith and closer to our Lord.

*"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart" Jer. 29:13*

The weekend schedule includes talks on spirituality, reconciliation, the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and quiet time. Make a decision to change your life today!

**When: Friday, March 24 - Sunday March 26, 2023**  
(Starting Friday at 7:00 PM and concluding Sunday after the 5:00 pm Mass in our Parish Hall)

**Where: Seton-Neumann Center, Danbury, CT**  
Rooms are single person occupancy unless specifically requested otherwise.

Please contact Marilyn Kain at [kainma56@gmail.com](mailto:kainma56@gmail.com) or (203) 994-7808 with any questions or if you require additional information.

All reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis. *Reservations are limited, so sign up quickly.*

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Please complete the following and include a check of \$150 per person payable to St. Mary and return to:

St. Mary Parish  
Attn: D4L  
55 Catoonah Street  
Ridgefield, CT 06877

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: St. Mary ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*A confirmation letter with more details will be mailed to you one week before the retreat.*

Team members: Dianne Doyle, Steve Fugazy, Jan and Bob Hebert, Paul Janerico, Marilyn and George Kain, Dorian Peckham, Sarah Sorgie and Carol Incarnacao-Schirm



## Disciples 4 Life (D4L) FAQ's

### **Is it the right time for you to go on a retreat?**

Luke 14-20: Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. At the time of the banquet, he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.' "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.' "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'

A learned interpretation on the story Jesus is telling is that one man was occupied with business deals – he's the man of *power*. Another was excited about his new purchase – he's the man of *possessions*. And a third was engrossed in the raptures of a newlywed – he's the man of *pleasure*. The teaching is that we all, at times, put God and our faith behind other worldly initiatives. The D4L retreat is offered as an opportunity for you to say "yes" to the invitation. There are always conflicting schedules, issues, priorities, but only you can answer the question: "Is this the time for you to devote a weekend away for renewal of your faith, for your benefit, for your family and for the community? It may take a little bit of courage to evaluate that question honestly, so you are encouraged to pray on the invitation with an open and listening heart.

### **What can I expect, and what is expected of me on the retreat?**

You should expect an uplifting time away dedicated to coming closer to Christ. Hundreds of people have gone before you, and overwhelmingly have assessed the weekend as ranging from extremely beneficial to life-changing. You will be in the company of caring individuals and you will likely experience a weekend of good fellowship, food and friends. There will be time to reflect individually on your spirituality, as well as hear from the retreat team about their faith journey. There is no requirement for you to share your thoughts or experiences with others in a group setting. In short, although there may be moments where you challenge yourself, you will be in an environment of Christ's love and support.

**Do you have to be Catholic?** You're still welcome! We do our best to make you feel comfortable and understand the different elements of the weekend. We've had many retreatants in the past in your same shoes that have had a great experience. D4L is open and welcoming to all Catholics and all other adult Christian men and women.



# YOUNG ADULT EASTER DAY OF SERVICE

Join other Catholic young adults in the Diocese of Bridgeport, ages 18-35, for a spring service day in support of the Thomas Merton Center.

APRIL 8, 2023 | 9:00AM - 1:00 PM | THOMAS MERTON  
CENTER, 43 MADISON AVE, BRIDGEPORT



**How will we serve?** *Young Adults from across the diocese will prepare and serve meals for TMC guests, as well as assist with other immediate needs of the organization. We will also have lunch with the TMC guests.*

**What can we contribute?** *Suggested donation of \$10 (to TMC) and a canned good.*

Sign Up Here! -->



About TMC: *Thomas Merton Center fosters a community which directly responds to the needs of their guests through their meal programs, on-site marketplace food pantry, and additional individual assistance programs.*



The Thomas Merton Center