#### 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

Apr 22/23: \$4,399.00 Online Giving: \$1,502.00

#### Staff

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# E-News



#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER · 30 APRIL 2023

Remember your mother, mother-in-law, stepmother, mother figure, etc. by writing their name on a **Mother's Day Envelope** (found in your monthly envelope packet or in the church). All will be remembered at the 11 am Mass on Mother's Day (May 14th).

Register your child for 2023-24 **Faith Formation Classes**. Classes begin in first grade. For information, contact Faith Formation Director Mary Ellen Tiernan at 203.775.5117, x215.

Join us for **Sacred Heart Thursday** on May 4th, 7-8 pm, for Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction in Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who would like to participate in the First Fridays and First Saturdays Devotion. **First Saturday Rosary** is May 6th at 4 pm.

Inquiry and the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Teens (RCIT)**: Are you interested or wondering about what it takes to become a Catholic? Becoming a Catholic is a

journey that takes time and guidance but has wonderful rewards! Classes begin in the fall but now is a time for "inquiry". There is no obligation or commitment in asking. Email Mary Ellen at metiernan@stmarguerite.org.

National Day of Prayer Service: You are invited to join in praying for our nation on Thursday, May 4th, 9-11 am at the Brookfield Town Hall Bandstand at the Municipal Park on Pocono Road. Bring your own chair. Event is hosted by Brookfield First.

Our annual **Tag Sale** will take place on Saturday, June 3rd, 8:30 am-5:30 pm with a special preview day on Friday, June 2nd, 5-7 pm. A Savers FUNDrive will be held May 27th-June 2nd. See the flyer on page five for details on both events.

Bishop Frank Caggiano will celebrate a memorial Mass for Fr. Audette on Thursday, October 5th, at St. Peter's in Danbury at 11 am. Please mark your calendars. Fr. Audette will be interred at Arlington National Cemetery most likely in August.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon, May 1: St. Joseph the Worker 8:30 +Jane Clarkson by Caraluzzi family

Tues, May 2: St. Athanasius

8:30 +Mary Kronold by Michael Miska

Wed, May 3: Sts. Philip and James

8:30 Ints of Diane Brown by Michael and Pamela Brown

#### Thurs, May 4

8:30 + Jackie Goin by Angie Edelmann

#### Fri, May 5

8:30 +Thomas Dickinson by Richard and Laureen Leshik
Sat. May 6

4:30 +Msgr. John B. Hossan;

+Grace and Robert Haggerty by Bernier family

Sun, May 7: Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 +Msgr. John B. Hossan by a friend

11:00 +Anne R. McCabe by Tami Nimer; +Anthony and

Marguerite Mazurkewitz by their children

5:00 Ints. of Marguerite Biasetti by Biasetti family

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

#### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tues, May 2

9:15 am: Legion of Mary

Wed, Apr 26 7:30 pm: NA

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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 <a href="https://youtu.be/SZM0CKfpmuU">https://youtu.be/SZM0CKfpmuU</a>. Learn how as a spiritual community we are truly "One in Christ" in answering God's call to serve others.

Thank you to everyone who so generously contributed to the Bishop's Appeal this past weekend at In-Pew Weekend. If you have not yet made your contribution, please return it in this weekend's offertory or drop it by the office. We pray that each person will support the 2023 Bishop's Appeal, however they can. While the level of sacrificial support will differ from parishioner to parishioner, your Appeal gift, no matter the size, is impactful and valued. We are able to meet the needs of our charitable mission, not with a single gift, but together as a community.

Please prayerfully consider supporting the Bishop's Appeal with a pledge, an automatic recurring gift, or one-time gift as your means allow. Your support is much needed and will be gratefully appreciated.



To make a gift, or for more information, visit 2023BishopsAppeal. org, call 203.416. 1470, or scan the QR code with your phone.

One in Christ — The 2023 Bishop's Appeal Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish 2023 Bishop's Appeal as of 4/21/2023

ABA Goal: \$65,700.00

Total Pledged: \$33,060.00 (50%)

**Donors to Date: 100 Donors** 



### Supporting parishes and communities of Northern Fairfield County

Charles is a success story like so many others. The 2023 "One in Christ" Bishop's Appeal provides support to Catholic Charities of Fairfield County where his challenges led him to the Family Loan Program.

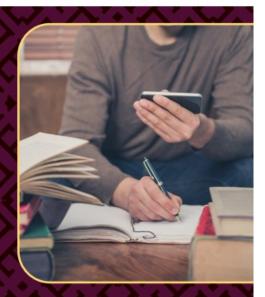
Through care, service and compassion, he overcame adversity and made positive changes.

# Serving our community in need

Charles, a single father of four children without a college degree was in a desperate situation, financially challenged to support his family.

He contacted the Family Loan Program and found a caring team who listened to his concerns, reviewed his expenses and discussed positive changes. Charles followed their advice and guidance, and after three months of hard work and budget cuts was able to pay off a high-interest loan. The Catholic Charities team supported his move into a new apartment including furniture and other resources.

Charles is now a college graduate and one semester away from receiving his master's degree and has control of his finances.



Meeting the team felt like family, it was like God brought them to me.

I am very grateful; I went in broke, but left strong with a plan.

# Your gift helps support:





#### MORNING GLORY BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Morning Glory provides breakfast daily to vulnerable members of the community and works in collaboration with other agencies to provide a safe and warm environment. The Morning Glory Non-Food Market Place Pantry provides items such as cleaning products, paper goods and hygiene products.

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COUNSELING SERVICES

Provides affordable counseling and support to children, adolescents, adults and families. Spanish speaking clinician available.

### HOMELESS OUTREACH AND RELATED

Dedicated to serving the homeless and at risk of homelessness through a variety of programs.

#### **FAMILY LOAN PROGRAM**

Provides low interest (5.5%) loans up to \$7,000 to low-income, working parents. Loans can be used for the purchase of a used vehicle, car repairs, security deposit assistance and childcare. Personalized financial education available free to anyone in need in service area.

## COMMUNITY ADVOCACY PROGRAM (CAP)

Staff is available to help identify resources and provide support to help meet basic needs.

#### **SNAP OUTREACH**

Staff will assist clients with submitting applications and documentation for SNAP (food stamps) benefits.

## NEW HEIGHTS WELLNESS AND RECOVERY CENTER

This psycho-social center offers groups, classes, seminars, activities and social skill building for adults with mental health concerns.

#### COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM (CSP)

Provides case management and skill building services to adults with mental health concerns in home and community based settings to foster independence.

#### VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA)

Provides case management and resource linkages to adults and families that have experienced any type victimization in CT or while being a resident in CT.

## FAMILY DIRECTIONS: ADOPTION AND PREGNANCY COUNSELING SERVICES

Provides pregnancy counseling and services to families interested in growing their family by adoption.

Thank you for your support, God bless you.

#### PLEASE MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY

Learn more at: www.2023BishopsAppeal.org or 203-416-1470 Scan here to make your gift online



# St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

# Roman Catholic Church

# Has two **BIG** things happening!!!





Starting May 27<sup>th</sup> until June 2<sup>nd</sup>, bring us your clothing, bedding, towels, and accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, belts, etc.) in good, clean, and salable condition and bagged in kitchen garbage bags. Drop them in the parish hall or designated area. We will deliver to SAVERS and St. Marguerite will be paid by the pound for the items. No muss, no fuss!



# TAG SALE



St. Marguerite's **Tag Sale** is back! June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with *Special Preview Shopping* on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (\$5 admission on Friday only).

Every day from May 27<sup>th</sup> until June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., bring us your kitchen items, vases, glassware, working electronics, lamps, radios, CDs, DVDs, records, shoes, sandals, costume jewelry, handmade items, tablecloths, curtains, purses, backpacks, candles, candle holders, children's books (*sorry, no other books*), toys, games, sports equipment, baby items (such as night lights, baby monitors, safety gates), picture frames, paintings/prints, Christmas decorations, and small furniture items (such as low bookcases, hat racks, magazine racks) in good condition and we will price them to sell!

# Eucharistic Miracle of

In the Eucharistic Miracle of Dijon, a lady purchased a monstrance which by mistake still contained the Sacred Host. The lady decided to use a knife to remove the Host, which started to drip living Blood that dried immediately, leaving imprinted the image of the Lord, seated on a semicircular throne with some of the instruments of the Passion on the side. The Host remained intact for more than 350 years, until it was destroyed by the revolutionaries in 1794.



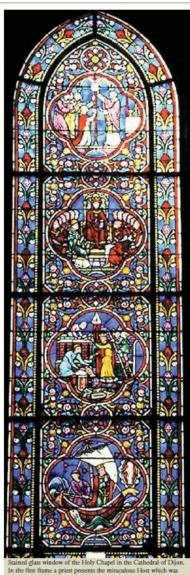


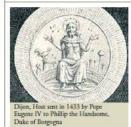
n 1430, in Monaco, a lady purchased a it to the city of Dijon. We know with certainty monstrance from a second hand dealer. It was most likely stolen because it still contained the Sacred Host for adoration. The lady, being very ignorant in regard to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, decided to remove the Host from the monstrance, with a knife. Unexpectedly the Host began to drip living Blood which dried immediately, leaving imprinted the image of the Lord, seated on a semicircular throne with some of the instruments of the Passion on the side.

The lady, unsettled, went to Canon Anelon, who kept the Host with himself. The episode quickly came to be known even by the Pope, Eugene IV, who desired to donate the miraculous Host to Duke Phillip of Borgogna, who in turn donated

that in 1794 the miraculous Host was still in the Basilica of San Michael the Archangel, but on February 9 of that year, the municipality of Dijon requisitioned the church to consecrate it as temple of the new sect "la Raison", that is of the "godess of reason".

The miraculous Host was burned. Many are the documents and the works of art which illustrate the miracle, For example, one of the stained glass windows of the Cathedral of Dijon in which the main scene of the marvel is portrayed.









- First class flag stamps
- Avery A-Z Tab Dividers for 3 Ring Binders, 1 Set (11125)
- 8.5x11 white copy paper
- Manila file folders (1/3 cut, letter size)
- Banker's boxes
- Gift cards to BJs, Costco, and Amazon

Link to Amazon wish list: <a href="https://www.amazon.com/hz/">https://www.amazon.com/hz/</a> 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 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 Bourgeoys Parish We Stand With Christ **Campaign Redemption**

Total Pledged: \$905,485.00

Total Collected (as of 11/29/22): \$588,814.00

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 or call (203) 648-9050.