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

Offertory

June 17/18: \$3,987.00 Online Giving: \$2,395.00

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E-News

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · 25 JUNE 2023



The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The **Memorial Mass for Fr. Al Audette** will now be on Thursday, June 29 at 10:30 am at St. Peter's in Danbury. All are welcome to attend.

Ladies are invited to participate in the **Sodality of St. Marguerite.** Our next gathering is Monday, June 26 at 6:30 pm in Room 1. For information, email Carmela at cmangini@snet.net.

Raffle Tickets now available! The St. Roch Church raffle is back! First prize is \$20,000! Tickets are \$25/each. St. Marguerite receives 50% of our total ticket sales. Tickets with check/cash payment can be returned to the Parish Office. The drawing will be August 12 at 11 pm.

For information about 2023-24 Faith Formation Classes for children (classes begin in first grade) or the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Teens (RCIT) (classes begin in the fall), contact Faith Formation Director Mary Ellen Tiernan at metiernan@stmarguerite.org, 203.775.5117, x215.

Join us for First Saturday Rosary on July 1 at 4 pm.

The Jack Macksey and Dick Elston Memorial Golf Tournament fundraiser hosted by the Brookfield Knights of Columbus Council will be held at Richter Golf Course on Wednesday, October 11th.

The Brookfield Knights of Columbus Council

would like to thank those who supported their annual Father's Day Raffle. This year was our most successful one to date, raising more than \$3,000 to support St. Marguerite and St. Joseph parishes and those in need in our community. This year's winners are: 1st Prize of \$500 - ticket #0421, John Saisson; 2nd Prize of \$250 - ticket #0878, John Siclari; 3rd Prize of \$100 - ticket #0009, Andy Koehm; 4th Prize of \$100 Tabouli Restaurant gift certificate - ticket #0819, Bob Morse; 5th Prize of \$100 Strikers of Brookfield gift certificate - ticket #0856, Katie Pacileo; 6th Prize of \$60 JJ Stacks Restaurant gift certificate - ticket #0560, Tara Rudiruski. Congratulations to the winners!

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Jun 26

8:30 +Thomas F. Spitzfaden, Sr. by family

Tues, Jun 27: St Cyril of Alexandria

8:30 +Frank Juliano by Christopher and Catherine Finn

Wed, Jun 28: St Irenaeus

8:30 +Mary McGuire by Barbara Randall

Thurs, Jun 29: Sts Peter and Paul

8:30 +Olga M Rotella by Tami Nimer

Fri, Jun 30: First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church 8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of Madden, Murphy, and Malone families

Sat, Jul 1: St Junipero Serra

4:30 +Catherine McGuinness by family

Sun, Jul 2: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 +Liv/Dec Mbrs of Madden, Murphy, and Malone families 11:00 +Louis and Anna Neumann and family by Mascia family; Ints of Jack Lliguizaca by family

5:00 +William J Davison, III by Katy Murphy

Offering: Mass — \$10; Altar Candles — \$20; Hosts — \$15; Sanctuary Candle — \$10; Sacramental Wine — \$10.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon, Jun 26

6:30 pm Sodality Meeting

Tues, Jun 27

9:15 am: Legion of Mary 1:30 pm:

Fatima Prayer Cell

Wed, Jun 28

7:30 pm: NA

2023 PARISH RAFFLE

1st PRIZE: \$20,000 American Express Gift Card 2023 PARIS

2nd PRIZE: \$6,000 American Express Gift Card

3rd PRIZE: \$4,000 American Express Gift Card

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4th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

5th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

6th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

7th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

8th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

9th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

10th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

11th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

12th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

13th PRIZE: \$1,000 AMEX Gift Card

*thirteen (13) prizes to be awarded; totaling \$40,000.00 *

Tickets are \$25 each

-Extra tickets available at the parish office-

DRAWING:

TICKE August 12, 2023 at 11pm Streamed LIVE at www.parishraffle.com



JACK MACKSEY AND DICK ELSTON MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023

AT RICHTER GOLF COURSE

SPONSORSHIP: Jack Macksey and □ \$5,000 TITLE (foursome, clubhouse banner, dinner & table sponsor) □ \$2,500 PLATINUM (foursome, tee & green sponsor, dinner sponsor) □ \$1,250 GOLD (foursome & tee or green sponsor and lunch sponsor) Dick Elston □ \$500 SILVER (includes dinner and cart sponsorship and dinner for 4) □ \$250 Dinner Sponsor (includes dinner for four) ☐ \$125 Tee or Green Company Sponsor Memorial (please print name as it should appear on sign) **Golf Tournament** Sponsor Contact: ___ Company: ___ Address: _ Hosted by Brookfield's Candlewood Lake Council Knights of Columbus PLAYER REGISTRATION: \$190 individual; \$760 foursome (singles welcome, we pair you up) Wed., Oct. 11, 2023 Player #1 Name: Player #2 Name: **Richter Golf Course** Player #3 Name: Player #4 Name: ___ Please donate the proceeds □ \$40.00 Dinner Only from my participation to: □ I am unable to play, but would like to make a donation. TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$_____ __ (Oct 4, 2023 deadline) St. Joseph Church St. Marguerite Church Pay by credit card: □ MasterCard □ Visa □ AMEX Card #: _____ Both parishes equally Expiration Date: ______ 3 Digit CVV Code: ____ Print Name:____ \$190 per player, includes: Greens Fee, Cart, Signature: ___ Lunch, Dinner, Prizes Phone Number: ___ Schedule: Pay by check payable to: St. Marguerite Church 11:00 am - Registration/Lunch 12:00 pm - Shotgun/Scramble Format 138 Candlewood Lake Road, Brookfield, CT 06804 5:30 pm - Cocktails & hors d'oeuvres QUESTIONS: Contact Greg Dembowski 203.733.7209 or email 6:00 pm - Dinner at Golf Course gregdembowski@yahoo.com On Course Contests:

Tournament Rain Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023

Hole-in-One Cash Prize

Longest Drive, and Closest to the Pin Special Raffle & Prizes and more!!



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. This year's goal is \$8.1 million.

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!

We are grateful to the parish families who have already made their gift or pledge to the Bishop's Appeal. For us to achieve our overall goal, it will require the active involvement and personal sacrifice of all members of our faith community. If you have not yet responded to the 2023 Bishop's Appeal, please set aside a moment to prayerfully consider a gift amount that reflects your blessings. Your gift will help tremendously and, together with your fellow parishioners, will enable the diocese to provide essential pastoral, educational, and human needs throughout Fairfield County.

Any over goal funds received by June 30th will be returned back to the parish. Please help the parish make its goal! 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 6/16/2023

ABA Goal: \$65,700.00

Total Pledged: \$50,287.00 (77%)

Donors to Date: 167 Donors

SERMON BY FR. SHAWN W. JORDAN

NDREW SAID TO HIM, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good is that for so many?"

Andrew's seemingly dismissive question to Jesus points out how we often see so little, but Jesus takes what appears small and insignificant in our life and multiplies it exponentially with His blessings.

This principle applies directly to the 2023 Bishop's Appeal. St. Marguerite's goal is \$65,700, and we are at a little over 60% of the goal. We thank everyone who has given to the Appeal already and those who have made additional gifts. The monies raised through the Appeal affects real people directly. When we give to the Appeal, we are not so much giving to programs as we are helping those who are in need throughout the diocese, including the northern area where we live.

The larger objective of the Bishop's Appeal each year goes beyond just giving funds. The most important point is where we ask ourselves, "How grateful am I for the blessings and gifts that God has given me? How do I show I am thankful for all that I have and the people who are in my life?" As we know, Jesus never kept anything for Himself. He gave everything away for our benefit, and He still benefits us in this way. We often don't think about what we have in life and who are the most important people God has placed in our path. While we cannot match God's generosity and giving in each of our lives personally, He does ask that what have received, we should pass some of that on to others as a reflection of who God is in our life.

The Bishop's Appeal helps many people in our diocese, and those ways are listed on the diocesan and parish websites. To highlight just a few examples of how the Appeal benefits others:

 Six seminarians will be ordained in June. The Appeal funds their seminary studies and pastoral training. We need priests to celebrate the sacraments for our families and to provide spiritual and moral guidance. This is one way we support the next generation of priests for the Church.

- The cost of food has risen greatly, as we are all aware. The Appeal funds the Morning Glory Breakfast Program and stocks food pantries.
- Since the lockdown, we have seen, even at St.
 Marguerite's, an increase in people dealing with
 mental health issues. The Appeal funds ways
 people dealing with mental challenges can find
 stability in their life, learn proper social skills,
 find jobs, and obtain housing.
- The Appeal also funds the Family Loan
 Programs for the working poor and provides
 mentorship programs for people to learn job or
 vocational skills or advance in their current
 career
- We are a Church that is pro-life. The Appeal provides counseling for women dealing with atrisk pregnancies who think abortion is the only solution. The Appeal also funds adoption programs.
- Finally, the Bishop's Appeal helps some of our poorer parishes throughout the diocese who have been badly effected since the lockdown and have not been able to return to parishioner participation levels they experienced before COVID.

St. Teresa of Calcutta always used to say, "When I see a poor person, I see Jesus in disguise." When we give to the Appeal, we become Jesus in disguise for a person we will likely never meet in this life, but we will in the next. Being generous and thankful never leaves us feeling less, it only expands our heart and life in God. What would have happened if the boy in the abovementioned quote decided he did not want to share his bread and fish with Jesus and just keep them to himself?

If you have not yet made a gift, I encourage you to do so. There are many ways for your convenience: envelopes available in the church, giving online (2023BishopsAppeal. org), texting to give (text APPEAL to 475.241.7849) or by using the QR code available on the bulletin board in the narthex. Thank you for your grateful and generous giving!

Eucharistic Miracle of

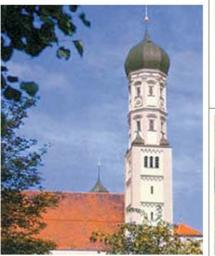
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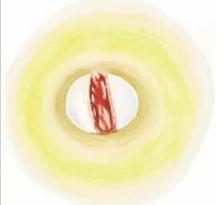


The Eucharistic Miracle of Augsburg, is known locally as Wunderbarlichen Gutes -"The Miraculous Good". It is described in numerous books and historical documents that can be consulted in the civic state library of Augsburg. A stolen Host was transformed into bleeding flesh. In the course of the centuries, several analyses were completed of the Holy Piece that have always confirmed that human flesh and blood are present. Today the Convent of the Heileg Kreuz (Holy Cross) is taken care of by the Dominican Fathers.











n 1194, a woman from Augsburg who was particularly devoted to the Most Holy Sacrament took communion. After communion, without being noticed, she put the Host in a handkerchief, took it home and placed it in a container of wax inside a cupboard. In those days it was very difficult to find tabernacles in the church so as to be able to practice Eucharistic worship. Only in 1264, with the introduction of the Feast of Corpus Domini (Corpus Christi) did such devotion become commonplace.

Five years passed and on the 11th of May 1199, the woman, tormented by remorse, confessed to the superior of the convent of the Heilig Kreuz, Father Berthold, who had her bring the Host back. The priest opened up the wax covering that enclosed the Host and saw that it had been transformed into bleeding flesh. The Host appeared "divided into two parts connected together by the thin threads of the bleeding flesh." Father Berthold went immediately to the bishop of the city, Udalskalk who ordered that the Miraculous Host be "transferred, accompanied by the clergy and by the people into the cathedral and exhibited in an ostensorium of crystal for public worship."

The Miracle continued: the Host began to grow and to swell up and this phenomenon lasted before the eyes of all from Easter Sunday until the Feast of St. John the Baptist. Following this, Bishop Udalskalk had the Host brought back near the convent of the Heilig Kreuz and established that "in memory of such a memorable and extraordinary event,"

there should be a special commemoration each year in honor of the Holy Relic.

In 1200, Count Rechber donated to the Augustinian Fathers a rectangular chest of silver with an opening in the front for the placement of the Host of the miracle. Besides the Eucharistic miracle other extraordinary incidences took place such as the apparition about the Host of Baby Jesus dressed in white with radiant face and his forehead encircled with a crown of gold or in another case the bleeding of the crucifix of the church or the apparition of Jesus blessing the assembly of worshippers.

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St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish We Stand With Christ Campaign Redemption



Total Pledged: \$891,485.34

Total Unrestricted/Restricted Pledges Collected (as of 6/1/23): \$597,839.34

Total Cash Due to the Parish (as of 6/1/23): \$297,682.17

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



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



- First class flag stamps
- Avery 5160 labels
- Avery big tab write and erase dividers 8 tab set
- Avery A-Z Tab Dividers for 3 Ring Binders (11125)
- 8.5x11 white copy paper
- Universal UNIV11203 (green) 8.5x11 copy paper
- Universal UNIV11202 (blue) 8.5x11 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: https://www.amazon.com/ hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref =wl share

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