

**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

Nov 4/5: \$5,435.00
Online Giving: \$6,584.00

Staff

Deacons: Joseph P. Cann
Vincent J. Pia

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Bookkeeper: Larry Rice

Communications Manager:
Jean Piccorelli

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Music Director: Jack Basso

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E-News

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · 12 NOVEMBER 2023



The month of November is dedicated to the Poor Souls.

Our 31st annual **Fall Festival** is this coming Saturday! We have many wonderful vendors coming to our event including crafts, holiday gifts, food items, goodies and so much more! Join us on Saturday, November 18th, 9 am-4 pm. Free admission!

Golf Tournament Results: We thank our Golf Committee: Greg Dembowski, John Siclari, Jack Basso, Fred Ball, Priscilla Garamella, Trish Cratty, Bob Osar, Bob Elston, Tom D'Avanzo, and Pat Font. This year's Tournament was the most successful financially since 2007 with a net profit of \$20,286 (St. Marguerite will receive \$11,739 and St. Joseph will receive \$8,547). Everyone did a fantastic job, worked hard, and played well.

Our **Sodality Group** will lead the Rosary on Saturday, November 18th at 4 pm before the Vigil Mass with the specific intention for the return of lapsed Catholics.

New Prayer Box: A prayer box is located on the shelf as you enter the back of the church. Intentions (in particular for lapsed Catholics) can be written on the paper provided and placed in the prayer box.

Sisters of Life Mission: Every year as a Christmas outreach, our parish collects for the Sisters of Life Mission in New York City to help unwed mothers who have chosen life for their child. See the flyer in the church and narthex for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Nov 13: St Frances Xavier Cabrini
8:30 Ints of Fr Shawn by Mary Frank

Tues, Nov 14
8:30 Ints of Fr Shawn by Doreen Bernier

Wed, Nov 15: St Albert the Great
8:30 +Ester Aberin by Aberin family

Thurs, Nov 16: St Margaret of Scotland
8:30 Ints of Aurora A Aberin by Aberin family

Fri, Nov 17: St Elizabeth of Hungary
8:30 Holy Souls in Purgatory by Fr. Shawn

Sat, Nov 18: St Rose Philippine Duchesne
4:30 Ints of Fr Shawn by Aberin family;
+Olive Lirette by family

Sun, Nov 19: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 +Michael Bracken by Cann family
11:00 Ints of Fr Shawn by Annette and Mario Nacinovich;
+Dec Mbrs of Knights of Columbus
5:00 +Ryan Dexter by Biasetti family

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

**THIS WEEK
IN THE
PARISH**

Mon, Nov 13
10 am
Cenacle

Tues, Nov 14
9:15 am
Legion of Mary

10 am
Rosary Making/
Prayer Shawl

Wed, Nov 15
7 pm
NA



St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Fall Festival is ALMOST HERE!!

We have MANY wonderful vendors coming to our event
including crafts, holiday gifts, foods and goodies, and
SO MUCH MORE!

Join us on **Saturday, November 18th from 9am - 4pm.**
NO ADMISSION FEE!!

Looking forward to seeing you there!!



BAKE SALE

By popular demand, the annual bake sale in conjunction with St. Marguerite's Fall Festival will be returning this year!

Our Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, November 18th, and we need your baking talent! If you are able to donate a baked item, please sign up on the sheet located in the Narthex. Baked goods need to be delivered to the church hall by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 17th. We need your help to make this year's sale a success, so dust off those measuring spoons, and remember where there's a whisk there's a way! And don't forget to come buy yourself a yummy treat on the 18th!



Warm Greetings to our parish friends in Christ Jesus!

As we prepare to welcome the Christ Child anew in our hearts this December, the Sisters of Life continue every year to welcome the new life in the women they serve. These women have courageously chosen life for their child! With our donations, the Sisters of Life help these women know the joy of Christ's presence and loving support, so often manifested through the hearts of others. We desire that they may know truly, God is with us!

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish is organizing a Christmas gift collection to assist the Sisters of Life in their mission. In the narthex, you will find a "Garland of Gifts".

If you would like to participate in this great outreach, please choose a gift tag and do ONE of the following options:

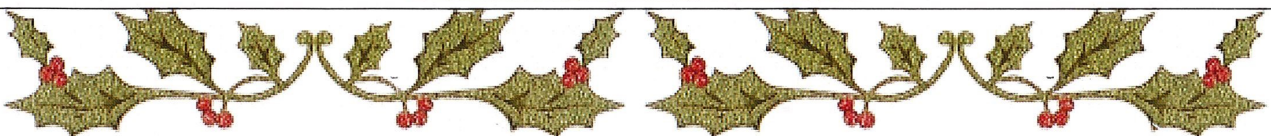
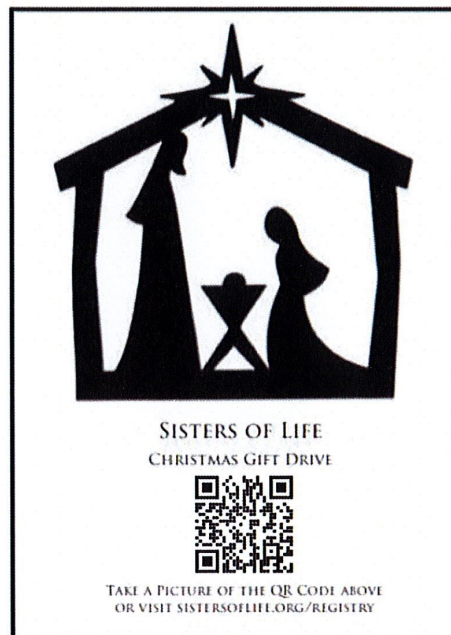
- 1) **Use the QR Code** (below or available in the narthex) to send a gift directly from the Amazon registry to the Sisters of Life.

OR

- 2) **Purchase the gift on the gift tag** you will find in the narthex and bring it to the collection box (unwrapped!) in the narthex no later than December 10th.

Thank you in advance for considering helping with this wonderful mission!

May God bless you and your family during this very special season!



“Revived in the Eucharist”

Healed, Nourished, Strengthened, and Consoled

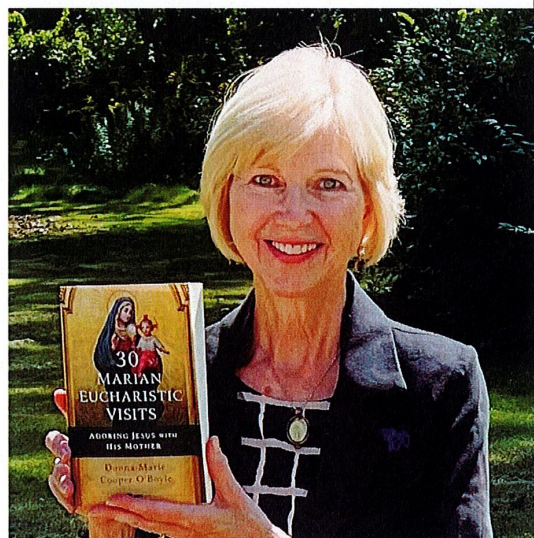


At a critical time of disbelief in the TRUE presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, **Author and EWTN television Host, Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle** presents rich Eucharistic history and teaching, sharing secrets from many devoted saints. She offers practical ways to grow in holiness and to please our dear Lord.

Don't miss this transforming Retreat Day. Donna-Marie will have her many books with her, including her newly released titles: *Diary of a Future Saint: Faustina's Incredible Journey* and *30 Marian Eucharistic Visits: Adoring Our Lord with His Mother*, as well as her DVD's available for purchase and autographing. **Spread the word!**

Our Lord Jesus Christ calls to our hearts. He humbles Himself in the form of Bread — a simple Host — to be available to us — to remain with us, to heal our wounded hearts, and nourish us with His abiding and incomprehensible Love and Mercy. He gives to us His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity!

What a Supreme gift!



Advent Retreat Day!

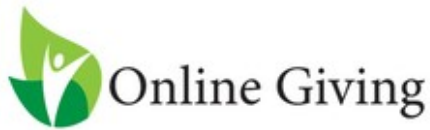
Saint Marguerite Parish in Brookfield, CT
Saturday, December 2, 2023
9:30 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Sign in: Between 8:30 and 9:15 A.M.
Pastries, tea, coffee, and lunch served
Register by Nov. 29: Barbara Baughman: (203) 241-9444
Admission: Free Will Offering



- * First class flag stamps
- * Manila file folders (1/3 cut, letter size, i.e. Pendaflex 752250)
- * Banker's boxes (#703) for storage/filing with lids (12"x15"x10", white)
- * Gift cards to BJ's, Costco, and Amazon

Link to Amazon wish list: 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 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**



We Stand With Christ
A CAMPAIGN FOR THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

Total Pledged: \$891,485.34

Total Unrestricted Pledges Collected: \$179,353.67

Total Restricted Pledges Collected: \$127,650.00

Total Cash Due to the Parish: \$307,003.67

as of 9/7/2023

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

Eucharistic Miracle of ALATRI

ITALY, 1228



In Alatri's Cathedral of Saint Paul the Apostle is kept even today the reliquary of the Eucharistic miracle that occurred in 1228 and consisted in a fragment of the Host turning into flesh. A young woman, in an effort to regain the love of her sweetheart, consulted a sorceress who ordered her to steal a consecrated Host to make a love potion. During Mass, the young woman hid a Host in a cloth. But when she got home, she realized that the Host had been transformed into bleeding flesh. This miracle has extensive documentation, including from Pope Gregory IX.



Paintings in the Cathedral of Alatri which illustrate the various phases of the miracle



Cathedral of Saint Paul in Alatri



The chapel where the Incarnate Host is exposed



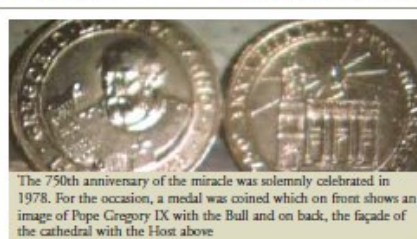
Chapel inside the cathedral where the reliquary of the miracle is kept



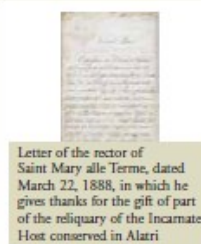
Bull 'Fraternitas tuae' of Pope Gregory IX



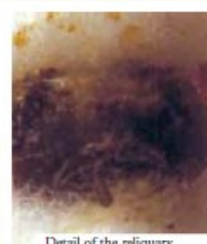
Monstrance where the reliquary of the miracle is kept



The 750th anniversary of the miracle was solemnly celebrated in 1978. For the occasion, a medal was coined which on front shows an image of Pope Gregory IX with the Bull and on back, the façade of the cathedral with the Host above



Letter of the rector of Saint Mary alle Terme, dated March 22, 1888, in which he gives thanks for the gift of part of the reliquary of the Incarnate Host conserved in Alatri



Detail of the reliquary

The most authoritative testimony regarding this miracle is found in the Bull "Fraternitas tuae" (March 13, 1228) written by Pope Gregory IX in response to Bishop Giovanni V of Alatri. Here is the text: "Gregory, Bishop and Servant of the Servants of God, to Venerable Brother Bishop of Alatri, greetings and Apostolic blessing. We have received your letter, dearest brother, in which you informed us of a certain young woman misguided by an evil woman, who, after having received from the priest the Most Holy Body of Christ, held it in her mouth until the right moment to conceal it in a cloth. After three days, she discovered the same Body which she had received in the form of bread transformed into flesh, as everyone has been able to verify with their own eyes. Because both women have humbly revealed this to you, you

desire our opinion regarding the punishment that should be imposed on them. First, we give thanks with all our strength to Him who, though He always operates in marvelous ways, in this case repeats miracles and produces new wonders so that He calls to sinners, converts evildoers and confounds heretics while strengthening faith in the truth of the Catholic Church, sustaining hope and re-igniting charity.

Thus, dearest brother, by means of this apostolic letter, we dispose that you inflict a milder punishment on the young woman, whom we hold to have done this more from weakness than malice, especially because it can be believed that she has sufficiently repented in confessing her sin. To the instigator, who with her perversion pushed the young

woman to commit sacrilege, apply those disciplinary measures that we believe opportune to leave to your judgment. She should also visit the nearest bishops so that she can humbly confess her crime, imploring pardon with devout submission." The Pope interpreted this episode as a sign against the widespread heresies regarding the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and pardoned the two repentant women. A commemorative medal was coined on the 750th anniversary of the miracle; one side showed the cathedral façade and the reliquary, while the other a bust of Pope Gregory IX with the Bull.



WE'RE **CONNECTING**
YOUNG ADULTS
across Fairfield County with
EACH OTHER
AND THE CHURCH.



No matter where you are in your faith journey,
you're wanted here. We can't wait to meet you!

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