

**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

Jan 20/21: \$4,458.50
OLG: \$2,839.00

Staff

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E-News

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 28 JANUARY 2024

The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.

We thank all those who so generously contributed to St Marguerite's **Annual PARISH Collection**. The funds (\$34,481) donated by 153 donors will help to address the material needs of our parish in 2024. Thank you for your support!

2023 Tax Statements for contributions \$250+ have been mailed. Statements include all donations received by December 31, 2023.

The Feast of St Blaise is Saturday, February 3. There will be a blessing of throats after the 4:30 pm Mass.

The Knights of Columbus Council invites parishioners of St Marguerite and St Joseph to join Council Knights for a **private tour of the Knights of Columbus Museum** (1 State Street, New Haven) on Sunday, February 11th at 1:30 pm. A carpool will depart St

Joseph parking lot at 12:15 pm or you can meet the council at the Museum. To reserve your spot, contact Greg at 203.733.7209, gregdembowski@yahoo.com. in case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled.

The **2024 Bishop's Appeal** has begun. For details, visit 2024BishopsAppeal.org.

Immerse yourself in the captivating story of Jesus' last days in a screening of Cecil B. DeMille's silent film, "**The King of Kings**" at St. Peter Church (104 Main St, Danbury) on Friday, February 9 at 7 pm. Boston-based organist, Peter Krasinski, will provide live organ accompaniment (joined by St. Peter's choir). When it first played in 1927, the film was described as a "supreme dramatic spectacle." This event will transport you back to a bygone era.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Jan 29

8:30 +Jean McCabe and Sheila Goehrke
by McCabe family

Tues, Jan 30

8:30 +Mirtala Garcia de Cabrera by Katy
Murphy

Wed, Jan 31: St John Bosco

8:30 +Joseph Shevlin by his wife Barbara

Thurs, Feb 1

8:30 Ints of Christine and Kane Hipolito
by Aberin family

Offering: Mass — \$10; Altar Candles — \$20; Hosts — \$15; Sanctuary Candle — \$10; Sacramental Wine — \$10;
St Marguerite Candle — \$10. Contact the office for Mass/Candle Intentions for living/deceased.

Fri, Feb 2: The Presentation of the Lord

8:30 +Virginia McCafferty by Ann Santi

Sat, Feb 3: St Blaise

4:30 +John Guardo by Nacinovich family

Sun, Feb 4: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 +Joseph Patrick Cann, Jr by Cann family

11:00 +Francois Istambouli by Bevilacqua

family; +Jennifer Powers by Bevilacqua
family

5:00 +Rev William Sangiovanni by Fr Jordan

**THIS WEEK
IN THE
PARISH**

Tues, Jan 30

9:15 am
Legion of Mary

10 am

Rosary Making /
Prayer Shawl

1:30 pm Fatima

Prayer Cell

Wed, Jan 31

7 pm
NA



Bishop Caggiano's 2024 Bishop's Appeal Message

My dear friends, each year I come to you to ask your help to give generously to the various missions of our Diocese and help in my ministry to provide for the needs of the poor and the sick, our young people, our retired priests, and all the very charitable works that makes us who we are as the Catholic community of Fairfield County.

Each year you generously respond for which I am most grateful, but this year I come to you with particular joy because I am going to ask you once again to support those ministries and new initiatives that together are forming this one great invitation to renew the spiritual and pastoral life of our diocese.

Many of you have heard my presentation on "The One"; the one invitation, the one adventure, the one priority we all share to invite every believer to deepen their personal relationship with the Lord and to encounter His love, mercy, forgiveness, charity, and His joy, and to accompany one another individually and in small communities of faith.

We have perennially done much of that through the Bishop's Appeal with opportunities to learn the faith for our young people and our children, to consider the works of beauty as a way to encounter Christ through the Sacred Heart Guild, to protect human life in all its stages and many other activities. We have been dedicated to this work, but now we have the opportunity to bring it to the next level and move forward.

I am deeply encouraged, excited and motivated to ask for your help so that this vision, which we all long for, will become ever more of a reality in our midst. That is why I come to you this year to ask for your help, to give sacrificially and generously so that our works of charity, our aid to the poor, our educational efforts and all initiatives will create that one great opportunity to show the world and one another who we truly are in Jesus Christ.

Together, will have a springtime of renewal in our midst, so that those who share faith with us and the generations to come will look back at this moment, this opportunity and say they have done their work well.

My friends please give generously to the Annual Bishop's Appeal, and may God bless you and your families.

Thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano
Bishop of Bridgeport



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2024BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG**

The Eucharistic Miracle of Dronero, Italy, 1631.

The Eucharistic Miracle of San Mauro La Bruca, Italy, 1969. Source: miracolieuucaristici.org.

Eucharistic Miracle of **DRONERO**

ITALY, 1631



In 1631, a young farm girl, foolishly kindled a fire with dry hay. Because of a heavy wind, the fire spread to the town of Dronero. Every attempt to extinguish the flames proved useless. A Capuchin friar, Maurice da Ceva, inspired by his great love of the Blessed Sacrament took the monstrance containing the large Host from the Church of St. Brigid and in procession walked to where the fire was raging. The fire at once subsided.



The countryside around Dronero



Dronero



The chapel from which the Blessed Sacrament was taken. The stone tablet describes the miracle

In the afternoon of Sunday, August 3, 1631, a great fire broke out in the commercial district of Saluzzo in the town of Dronero. A young farm girl foolishly kindled a fire with dry hay at the very moment an up wind was developing into a thunderstorm. The flames quickly and violently spread to the home of the Borgo Maira. The townspeople desperately attempted to extinguish the fire, but all their efforts proved useless as the fire developed further. Friar Maurice da Ceva, a Capuchin, was inspired to have recourse to the power of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He immediately organized a procession with the Blessed Sacrament – followed by all the townspeople – to the location of the fire. The moment the Blessed Sacrament arrived, the flames subsided and miraculously were extinguished! This miraculous event is described in details on a stone tablet in the small Church of St. Brigid. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, the citizens of Dronero keep alive the memory of this miracle with a solemn annual procession with the Blessed Sacrament.

Eucharistic Miracle of **SAN MAURO LA BRUCA**

ITALY, 1969



At San Mauro la Bruca unknown thieves secretly entered the church and stole several sacred objects - one was the pyx (ciborium) that contained consecrated Hosts. The thieves threw the Hosts aside; a child discovered them. The Hosts are preserved to this day.



The facade of the church



The niche where the miraculous

On the night of July 25, 1969, some thieves broke into the parish church of San Mauro la Bruca with the intention of stealing some of the more precious objects. After they had pried open the tabernacle, they took a ciborium containing many consecrated Hosts. Once they left the church, the thieves emptied the ciborium and threw the Hosts on a footpath. On the following morning, a child noticed the pile of Hosts at the intersection of the road and gathering them up, he immediately gave them to the pastor. It was only in 1994, after 25 years of detailed analysis, that Msgr. Biagio D'Agostino, Bishop of Vallo della Lucania, acknowledged the miraculous preservation of the Hosts and authorized the cult. The conclusion of any chemical and scientific analysis acknowledges that after just 6 months wheat flour severely deteriorates and in a few years turns gelatinous and then, finally, to dust.



- white 8.5x11 copy paper 20 lb, 92 bright
- [BIC Wite-Out Brand Exact Liner Correction Tape \(WOELP418-Whi\)](#)
- [Pentel EnerGel RTX Retractable Liquid Gel Pen, Medium Line, Metal Tip, Black ink, 6 pack \(BL77BP6A\)](#)
- [Avery 5160 Easy Peel labels, white 1x2-5/8 inch](#)
- Gift cards to BJ's, Costco, and Amazon

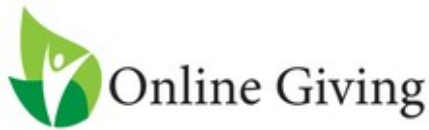


The Amazon list gives the details on the requested item but items can be purchased at any store or website.

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.