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 April 13/14: \$4,799.00 OLG: \$1,201.00

Staff

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E-News

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 21 APRIL 2024

The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Eucharist

Register your child for Faith Formation Classes for 2024-25! Classes begin in First Grade. Register today before classes fill up. For information, email Mary Ellen at metiernan @stmarguerite.org.

Our annual Tag Sale and Savers FUNDrive will be held Saturday, June 1. Collection days will be after Memorial Day.

Mass Intentions: What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone? An individual may ask for a Mass to be offered in thanksgiving, for the intentions of a another person (such as a birthday or special occasion), or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Our 2024 Mass book is full but our 2025 Mass Book is now open. Contact the Parish Office for available dates/times for Masses.

2024 Bishop's Appeal: A big thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to the Appeal! As of April 17, St. Marguerite Parish raised \$50,877 bringing the parish to 77.43% of its \$65,700 goal. Thank you for your donations! For more information about the 2024 Bishop's Appeal, contact the Development Office at (203) 416-1312 or 2024BishopsAppeal @diobpt.org.

The Diocesan Mass for the Eucharistic

Renewal will be on Saturday, June 1 at 11 am at Fairfield University. A free coach bus transportation is provided from either Newtown or New Fairfield. Our parish has only 25 tickets on a first-come first-served basis. Please see Fr Shawn if you are interested in attending.

Regina Caeli Academy in Brookfield will hold a Tour Day on Monday, April 29 at 10 am. RSVP to cvodola.fcc@cahybrid.org.

Registration for St. Mary's School in Bethel for the 2024-25 school year is open. For information, visit stmarybethelct.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS	Sat, Apr 27
Mon, Apr 22	4:30 +Caterina Fata by Mary Ellen Tiernan
8:30 +Edward Caraluzzi by family	Sun, Apr 28: Fifth Sunday of Easter
Tues, Apr 23: St George	8:30 +Linda Quarford by Richard and Victoria
8:30 +Louis Gargiulo by Jo-Ann Gargiulo	Lange
Wed, Apr 24: St Fidelis of Sigmaringen	11:00 +Elaine and Philip Barksdale by Bernier
8:30 +Joseph and Jean McCabe by McCabe family	family; +Louis Pontillo, Jr by Faith Formation
Thurs, Apr 25: St Mark	teachers
8:30 +George Bruce by Caraluzzi family	5:00 +Robert Braddock by Katy Murphy
Fri, Apr 26	
8:30 +Feliciano Reyes by Aberin family	
Offering: Mass — \$10; Altar Candles — \$20; Sanctuary Candle — \$10; Hosts — \$15; Sacramental Wine — \$10; St Marguerite Candle — \$10. Contact the office for Mass/Candle Intentions for living/deceased.	

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tues, Apr 23 9:15 am Legion of Mary

10 am Rosary Making / Prayer Shawl



The Bishop's Appeal is the major source of revenue for supporting the ministries and agencies of the Diocese of Bridgeport. It is these faith-based programs, services and ministries that enable the Church of Bridgeport under the direction of Bishop Frank Caggiano to reach across parish boundaries in the areas of: Faith and Ministry, Charity and Pastoral Services and Education and Catechesis.

The Institute for Catholic Formation supports parish and school sacramental and catechetical programs that provide religious formation for children and their families. This is accomplished through days of formation, parish visits, program assessments

and ongoing consultation of catechetical programs from development to implementation. Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal supports the Institute's efforts to reach children and adolescents in their journey to know Christ. Thank you for your support.

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. Thank you for your support!

Donate at 2024BishopsAppeal.org.

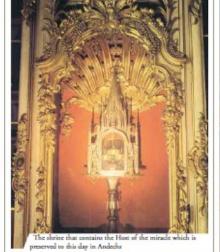


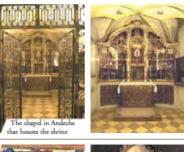
GET MORE INFORMATION AT 2024BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG The Eucharistic Miracle of Rome, Italy, Sixth-Seventh Centuries. Source: miracolieucaristici.org.





This Eucharistic Miracle, whose relic is still preserved in the Benedictine Monastery of Andechs, Germany, is verified by numerous written sources. The authentication took place in Rome in 595 during a Eucharistic celebration presided by Pope St. Gregory the Great. At the moment of receiving Holy Communion, a Roman noblewoman began to laugh because she had doubts about the Real Presence of Christ in the consecrated Bread and Wine. The Pope, troubled by her disbelief, decided not to give her Communion and then the Bread turned into Flesh and Blood.









The Minaculous Mass of St. Gregory the Gr by Domenico Cresti (1559-1638)



Man of St. Grop







mong the most important works, in which this Eucharistic miracle that occurred in Rome in 595 is mentioned, is *Vita Beati Gregorii Papae* written by the Deacon Paul in 787. It was customary in those times to have the Eucharistic bread prepared by the parishioners. The Pope St. Gregory the Great was a direct eyewitness to this prodigy.

One Sunday, while celebrating the Sacred Mass in an-ancient church dedicated to St. Peter, the Pope was distributing Communion and saw among the faithful in line was one of the women who had prepared the bread for the consecration and she was laughing out loud. Troubled, the Pope cornered her and asked her to explain her behavior. She justified herself by saying that she could not believe that the bread



she made with her very own hands could become the Body and Blood of Christ during the consecration. St. Gregory denied her Communion and asked God to illuminate her. Having just finished praying, he saw that part of the bread, prepared by the woman, become Flesh and Blood. The woman repented, kneeled on the ground and began to cry. To this day, part of the relic of the miracle is housed in Anechs, Germany, near the local Benedictine monastery.



Adrien Ysenbrandt, 16th century. The apparition of Jeaus wit the signs of the Passion during the Mass of St. Gregory



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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. Thank you for your support!

Parishioner Benefits:

- * Secure and confidential. Adheres to banking security standards
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- * 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



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A CAMPAIGN FOR THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish We Stand With Christ Campaign Redemption

Total Pledged: \$891,485.34 Total Unrestricted Parish Allocation: \$186,090.17* Total Restricted Collected: \$140,000.00 Total Cash Due to the Parish: \$326,090.17 as of 4/4/2024

* Unrestricted Pledges Collected: \$502,305.34 Less: ACA Share (\$73,000.00) Less: Fundraising Expenses (\$57,125) Less: Foundations Allocation (\$186,090.17)

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