

**ST. MARGUERITE
BOURGOYS
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 15/16: \$4,288.00
OLG: \$2,116.00

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Kevin Sheehan

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E-News

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 23 JUNE 2024

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

Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus **Raffle winners!** The drawing was held at noon on June 16 at St. Joseph's pavilion. The winners are: 1st Place, \$500 - Joyce Marandola (#0534); 2nd Place, \$250 - Pascale Pehissier (#0829); 3rd Place, \$100 - John Murphy (#1022).

Tickets for the **2024 Raffle** with St. Roch Church are available through the Parish Office. First prize is \$20,000! Second prize is \$6,000; Third prize is \$4,000; Fourth-13th prizes are \$1,000. Tickets are \$25/each. St. Marguerite receives 50% of our total ticket sales. Tickets with check/cash payment can be returned to the Office by mail, in person, or placing them in the offertory basket. Drawing is Saturday, August 10 at 11 pm at St. Roch Fairgrounds.

For the month of June, Girl Scout Troop 50227 is collecting items (DIY craft kits, swim diapers, water and sand toys, trial sizes of shampoo, deodorant, etc.) for the **Center for Empowerment and Education** in Danbury. A collection box with the complete list of needed items is in the narthex.

The annual **Macksey/Elston Golf Tournament** will be held on Wednesday, October 9 at Richter Park in Danbury. If you are interested in golfing, being a sponsor, or volunteering, contact Greg at gregdembowski@yahoo.com.

Save the Date: Fall Festival: Saturday, November 9

Mark Your Calendars: Plan on joining us as we discuss the Biblical and Church teachings on death and eternal life in our four-part study program, **Eternal Rest**. We will meet Mondays on September 23, 30 and October 14, 21. More details to come.

Our E-News features an independent home study bible course called **"Jesus and the Eucharist"** as a support for our diocesan Eucharistic Renewal. For each session, watch a short video at formed.org followed by reflections and questions to consider about the video. To set up an account with FORMED: Go to formed.org; Click on sign up for individuals; Enter the parish zip code: 06804; Click on St. Marguerite Bourgoys. Once on the site, search for "Jesus and the Eucharist Session 3: Am I Saved?" (Watch the second half of the video. It starts at 59:55.) There is no fee for this course or for formed.org.

Register your child for Faith Formation Classes for 2024-25! Classes begin in First Grade. For information, contact Mary Ellen Tiernan at 203.775.5117, x215.

June 24-30:

Our St Marguerite candle and the Sanctuary Candle (Chapel) are for the intentions of Isabel Quinde and her family.

Our hosts are in memory of Jim Morasco requested by his wife, Paula.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, June 24: *The Nativity of St John the Baptist*
8:30 +Anna Yarosh by Paula Morasco

Tues, June 25
8:30 +George Brosky, Jr by Poster family

Wed, June 26
8:30 +Thomas F Spitzfaden by family

Thurs, June 27: *St Cyril of Alexandria*
8:30 +Mary DiNapoli by Michael Miska

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, June 25
9:15 am
Legion of Mary

1:30 pm
Fatima Prayer Cell



Jesus and the Eucharist

As you continue your journey through this independent study of Jesus and the Eucharist, you may want to keep a journal of your observations, thoughts and questions. Sign in or set up your account with [formed.org](https://www.formed.org). Search for “**Jesus and the Eucharist Session 3: Am I Saved?**” Watch the second half of the video. It starts at 59:55.

Salvation is a gift from God through Jesus Christ that requires our “yes.”

Some quotes to think about from the video:

- ♦ The cross is a paradox. What it represents... is the worst thing that human beings have ever done, and the greatest thing God has ever done. ~ **Dr. Sean Innerst**
- ♦ I think he chose [the cross] to show us that in our darkest moments of life, he is with us... I think he chose the cross to show how far he would go for his beloved. There is no limit to the love of God for you. ~ **Chris Stefanick**
- ♦ Make no mistake about this: God is attracted to your poverty. He actually wants to come into that mess.
~ **Jim Beckman**
- ♦ The triumph of our faith is not that there is no suffering. The triumph of our faith is that he has defeated it. He redeems it. He brings ultimate good out of it. ~ **Noelle Garcia**
- ♦ The bigger story is that you were created by a God who loves you, who found you worth dying for, who has destined you for eternal glory. That big story makes life amazing. ~ **Chris Stefanick**
- ♦ Grace enables us to return to the likeness of God which Adam and Eve lost in the very beginning.
~ **Dr. Sean Innerst**
- ♦ Jesus did not just come to make bad people good. He came to make dead people alive... When you follow Jesus Christ with your whole life, you change. Have you said yes to God? Love doesn't force himself on you. Love waits for your yes. ~ **Chris Stefanick**

Questions to consider:

How many crosses do you own (think about your home, car, office, jewelry)?

What does Jesus' cross mean to you?

Think of an experience where you gave your “yes” to God's call. How has that led to a fuller and more abundant life?

When has something seemed impossible at first but was made possible by God?

SAVE THE DATE

FALL GOLF

FUNDRAISER

Join us for a fantastic day of golf, camaraderie, and the vibrant colors of autumn at our annual Golf Tournament.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9



**RICHTER PARK GOLF COURSE
100 AUNT HACK RD
DANBURY**



RAIN DATE: OCTOBER 16

Eucharistic Miracle of **VOLTERRA**

ITALY, 1472



In 1472, during the war that broke between Volterra and Florence, a soldier from Florence, having entered in the Cathedral of Volterra, managed to take possession of the precious Ciborium of ivory which contained numerous consecrated Hosts. As soon as he left the Church, taken by a fit of fury against the sacramental Jesus, he threw the ciborium with its precious content against a Church wall. From it, came out all the Hosts, which - illuminated by a mysterious light - elevated themselves in the air and remained suspended for a long time. Many are the witnesses that were present at the event.



Interior of the Cathedral



View of Volterra



Among the principal causes that unchained the pointless Allumiere war, which finished with the sacking of Volterra in 1472 by the army of the Duke of Montefeltro, were above all, the contrast that broke between the different social classes and the personal interests of Lorenzo di Medici. Absorbed by the Florentian state, Volterra was subjected to harsh treatment, which caused the emigration of many wealthy families and the appropriation of their goods at bankruptcy prices.

It was in this historical scenario that in 1472 our Eucharistic miracle was verified. Among the most authoritative witnesses that describe the miracle, we have the written relation of Friar Biagio Lisci, who was a direct witness. The relation is now kept in the archives of the

Church of Saint Francis. We also have some municipal acts preserved in the municipal library of Volterra. A soldier from Florence entered the Cathedral Church and immediately went to the tabernacle, from which he took the ciborium with consecrated Hosts inside, along with many sacred objects. As soon as he left the Church, taken by a very strong hatred against Jesus the Eucharist, flung the ciborium against one of the external walls of the Church, and all the Hosts came out from it, which - as if held by an invisible hand - elevated themselves in the air, all radiant with light. The soldier fell to the ground out of fright, and having repented, began to cry. Many were the witnesses who were present at this marvel.



Church of Saint Francis



View of Volterra



NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM
FALL SESSION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Thursday afternoon 2:00 – 3:30 pm

September 12 – November 7

New Day is a faith-based non-denominational bereavement ministry that meets for 9 consecutive weeks to discuss an array of topics, designed to help you journey through the grief of whatever loss you may be facing, both recent or in the distant past.

Meetings take place in a small-group confidential setting at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 138 Candlewood Lake Road, Brookfield, CT and are led by trained bereavement facilitators. There is no charge for this program, however, registration is required.

St. Marguerite's is partnering with the Bereavement Initiative of the Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries to offer this program. Please go to their website to submit a Program Inquiry Form or you can contact Carolyn Killian at 203-404-0023

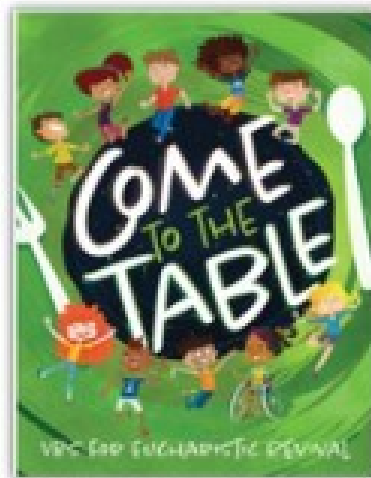
<http://Ctcemeteries.org/newday>

Once the form is submitted, you will hear from one of our bereavement facilitators regarding the next steps.

St. Joseph Church
VBS

JULY 8-12, 8AM-12PM
\$10/DAY, \$45/WEEK

When you eat with Jesus, anything can happen!



For children entering grades 1-5.

Sign up by scanning the code:



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, OR TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE EMAIL
GRACE.ZALOSKI@STJOSEPHBROOKFIELD.COM, OR CALL THE
PARISH OFFICE AT 203.775.1035.

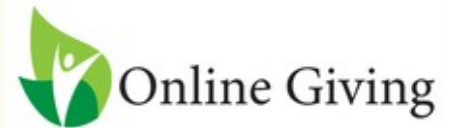


Just added:

Avery File Folder Labels — #8366
2/3"x3-7/16" laser/inkjet 750 labels

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. **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



We Stand With Christ
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: \$188,603.17*
Total Restricted Collected: \$140,000.00
Total Cash Due to the Parish: \$328,603.17
as of 6/2/2024

* Unrestricted Pledges Collected: \$507,331.34
Less: ACA Share (\$73,000.00)
Less: Fundraising Expenses (\$57,125)
Less: Foundations Allocation (\$188,603.17)

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