#### **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 July 13/14: \$4,424.50 OLG: \$790.00

#### Staff

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# **E-News**

#### 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 21 JULY 2024

#### The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus.

Last call... Tickets for the 2024 Raffle with St. Roch Church are still 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.

We Stand With Christ: Thank you to our donors who gave so generously to the Capital Campaign to strengthen our parish financially! The results are included on page six of E-News. If anyone still would like to donate to the Campaign from their pledges, please contact the office for further information.

Fr. Shawn's Sermon is emailed every Sunday evening to everyone on the E-News list. To subscribe, email office@stmarguerite.org.

#### **Register your child for Faith Formation Classes**

for 2024-25! Classes begin in First Grade. For information, contact Mary Ellen at 203.775. 5117, x215, metiernan@stmarguerite.org.

8:30 +George Brosky, Jr by Spitzfaden family

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, Jul 23: St Bridget

Thurs, July 25: St James

families

Mon, Jul 22: St Mary Magdalene

Wed, Jul 24: St Sharbel Makhluf

Fri, July 26: Sts Joachim and Anne

8:30 +Harrison Farah by Katy Murphy

8:30 +Anna Guardo by Nacinovich family

#### Sat, July 27: BVM

4:30 +Joseph A McCabe and Sheila Goehrke by family 8:30 +Frank McGinnis by Christopher & Catherine Finn Sun, July 28: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 +Deceased Members of the Perley family 11:00 +Louis Pontillo, Jr by Aberin family; +Stan Kurpiewski by Denise Kurpiewski 5:00 +John Brown Sr by Dennis and Sheila Brooks

#### July 22-28:

The St Marguerite candle is for the healing of Richard and Victoria Lange.

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**

8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of Madden, Murphy, and Malone

Tues, July 23 9:15 am - Legion of Mary

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.

The 32nd Annual Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, November 9, 9 am-4 pm. Applications are now available at stmarguerite.org under "Breaking News". For more information, send an email fallfestival@stmarguerite.org.

As a support for our diocesan Eucharistic Renewal, E-News features an independent home study bible course called "Jesus and the Eucharist". For each session, watch a video at formed.org followed by reflections and questions to consider about the video. At formed.org, search for "Jesus and the Eucharist Session 5: God is with Us?" (Watch the second half of the video—begin at 1:01:08.) There is no fee for this course or for formed.org.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is

a holy day of obligation. Masses on Thursday, August 15 will be at 8:30 am and 6:30 pm.

## 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. Search for "Jesus and the Eucharist Session 5: God is with Us?" Watch the second half of the video, begin at 1:01:08.

**God's presence in the Old Testament** foreshadows the gift of the Eucharist, one of the seven sacraments of the Church. Jesus established the Eucharist to give strength and accompany us at every moment of our earthly journey. In this session we see how God is with his people. Meals are about sharing relationships with other people. An intimate communion, a bond, a profound relationship was established at the table. At every Eucharist, God wants to have an intimate, profound union with us.

#### Consider some of the topics presented in this part of the video:

- God is love (see 1 John 4:8). He created us out of love in order to invite us into the communion of the Trinity. God desires to be with us.
- God's presence in the Old Testament foreshadows the Eucharist. As examples: God's revelation of his name at the burning bush "I Am" communicates not just God's existence, but His presence with His people. That's the good news God is with his people. The refrain of God's covenant with his people is "I will be your God, and you will be my people" (for example, see Exodus 6:7).
- The Incarnation is the culmination of God's plan to be with his people "'... and they shall name him Emmanuel,' which means, 'God is with us.'" (Matthew 1:23)
- Jesus established the Eucharist to remain present with us. At the Last Supper, Jesus changed bread and wine
  into his Body and Blood, and then he told the Apostles to continue to do what he had just done. The question is
  not what is the Eucharist; it is, who is the Eucharist? The Eucharist is not a thing, it is a person Jesus Christ.
  God gives himself to us in the Eucharist not only to give us strength for our journey, but also to accompany us at
  every moment on the journey.

#### Questions for your reflection:

What difference does attending Mass make in your life?

What inspires you to believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist? What does that mean for your life? Outside of Mass, how else can you prioritize your relationship with Jesus?

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

FALL

GOLF

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SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

RICHTER PARK GOLF COURSE 100 AUNT HACK RD DANBURY

**RAIN DATE: OCTOBER 16** 



In 1290, due to the invasion of the Lithuanians, a priest from the village of Glotowo buried in a field a silver ciborium plated in gold, with a consecrated Host still in it which he missed by mistake. The Lithuanian's troops destroyed the village and the church. None of the survivors knew about the hidden Host. Only a number of years later, while plowing the field in the spring, a farmer found it by chance, thanks to the strange behavior of his oxen. They had bowed to the ground in adoration of the Host which was emanating a very bright light.



he most ancient documents describe how the miracle happened. The oxen were pulling the plow, behind which the farmer was walking. The sun was setting at the horizon, creating long shadows. The man lifted his eyes and prodded the animals which were going slowly up the hill. All of sudden, the plow got stuck, the oxen pulled harder and on the side they turned over a big clod of earth.

The animals stopped as if frozen. At first the farmer scolded the beasts, yet paused surprised at the sudden change around him. The light on the field was as if it were noon and a very intense light was coming from the ground shining on the kneeling oxen. The farmer began to dig and noticed that the bright light

was coming from a little ciborium covered with dirt. It contained a perfect Host as white as snow.

The news of the extraordinary event spread rapidly among the people, who rushed immediately to the site. The local authorities organized a solemn procession to bring the Host to the church of Dobre Miasto, though according to an ancient chronicle, inexplicably, the Host disappeared and was found at the same spot as the first time. The event was interpreted as a sign from above and a little church dedicated to the Corpus Christi was built on that location. The popularity of Glotowo grew through the centuries and in the eighteenth century the old medieval church was

enlarged and consecrated by the bishop Krzysztof Potocki, on July 24, 1726. Even today, every year, the shrine of Glotowo attracts numerous pilgrims who come to venerate the relic of the Host, intact since 1290.



#### **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.



## Offering Envelopes Sharpie pens

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. 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



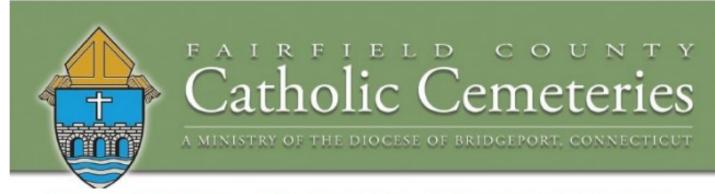
## We Stand With Christ

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, contact the Parish Office at 203.775.5117, x212.



Bishop Frank Caggiano will bless the new mausoleum at St. Peter Cemetery in Danbury on Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. After the Bishop's prayers and comments, Lourdes Holy Water will be distributed to the attendees.

The cemetery is located at 71 Lake Avenue Extension Danbury, CT 06810. Please contact info@ctcemeteries.org or 203-742-1504 with any questions about this event.

