

**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

July 20/21: \$3,720.00
OLG: \$2,730.00

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E-News

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 28 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 available through the Parish Office only until Monday, July 29. 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.

The **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (Thursday, August 15) is a holy day of obligation. Masses are at 8:30 am and 6:30 pm.

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 Faith Formation Director Mary Ellen at 203.775.5117, x215, metiernan@stmarguerite.org.

First Saturday Rosary: August 3 at 4 pm.

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 6: The Story of the Eucharist" (Watch the first half of the video—stop at 31:38.) There is no fee for this course or for formed.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Jul 29: *Sts Martha, Mary, and Lazarus*
8:30 Ints of Sue Ruokonen by Pam and Mike Brown

Tues, Jul 30: *St Peter Chrysologus*
8:30 +Louis Dellamarggio by Michael Miska

Wed, Jul 31: *St Ignatius of Loyola*
8:30 Ints of John G Frank by family

Thurs, Aug 1: *St Alphonsus Liguori*
8:30 +Anne Cosgrove by Rosaline Cosgrove

Fri, Aug 2: *St Eusebius of Vercelli, St Peter Julian Eymard*
8:30 +Sevilla de Guzman by Aberin family;
Ints of Mary Frank by the parish

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.

Sat, Aug 3: *BVM*

4:30 +Ann Florio by Linda Diorio

Sun, Aug 4: *18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 Ints of Neil Fusco by Carla and Mike Macera

11:00 +Louis Pontillo, Jr by Eileen and Bruce Chips;

+Tim Cahill by Leslie and Tom Hauspurg

5:00 Ints of Fiona Acevedo by Katy Murphy

**THIS WEEK
IN THE PARISH**

Tues, July 30
9:15 am - Legion of Mary



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 6: The Story of the Eucharist?**” Watch only the first half of the video, stop at 31:38.

God is the Master Storyteller. His great love story is authored not only with words but also with deeds. All of God’s mighty deeds throughout history make up one beautiful narrative of salvation, which culminates in the Paschal Mystery. Jesus’ teachings and actions throughout his ministry prepare for the fulfillment of his promise that “My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.” (John 6:55)

Notice some of the important points made in this portion of the video:

- Jesus explicitly teaches on the Eucharist. Jesus said “I am the living bread that came down from heaven... and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” (Jn 6:51) Many followers leave Jesus over this teaching. Jesus responded, “unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.” (Jn 6:53) This teaching is so central to his mission that Jesus lets them leave. Only the twelve remain. Jesus asks them, “Do you also want to leave?” (Jn 6:67). Peter gives the ultimate response of faith: “Master, to whom should we go? You have the words of eternal life.” (Jn 6:68)
- In the Garden of Eden, God’s plan is for Adam and Eve to become one with him by eating from the Tree of Life. Adam and Eve chose to disobey God’s command and ate from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil in an attempt to be like God. Instead of enjoying communion with God for all eternity, they sever their communion with God through a meal.
- This sacrament has been given many names: the Lord’s Supper, the Breaking of the Bread, the Holy Sacrifice, Holy Communion, and it is most commonly called the Mass or Eucharist (from the Greek word meaning thanksgiving).
- Original sin separated us from God and the fullness of life he wished to impart to us, but God gave us a savior.

Questions to consider after viewing Part 1 of this video:

Of the three groups listening to Jesus’ Bread of Life Discourse — the crowd, the disciples, and the Twelve — whom do you most relate to? Why?

How do you answer the question Jesus posed: “Do you also want to leave?” (Jn 6:67)

SAVE THE DATE

FALL GOLF

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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 LEGNICA

POLAND, 2013

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In St. Hyacinth's church in Legnica, during Holy Mass, on December 25, 2013, a Host accidentally fell on the ground, during the distribution of Communion. It was immediately placed in a container with water and closed in the tabernacle as required by code of Canon Law. A few days later, a red spot appeared on its surface. The Bishop of Legnica at the time, Stefan Cichy, decided to establish a commission for a scientific analysis. The results were surprising, and confirmed that it had similarities to "human heart muscle with alterations that often appear during the agony".



On December 25, 2013, the priest who distributed Communion accidentally dropped a Host from a ciborium. The priest picked it up and put it in a container with water and placed it in the tabernacle.



Doctor and cardiologist Professor Barbara Engel, who was one of the scientists involved in the scientific analysis, said during the press conference: "The material was analyzed using UV rays with an orange filter and the results were univocal. We have identified myocardial fibres, typical of myocardial tissue with alterations that often appear during the agony."



Photo showing the sample being collected from the Host



On April 10, 2016, the Bishop Zbigniew Kiernikowski officially announced to the faithful the results of the analysis of the Eucharistic miracle which took place in Legnica in 2013



The Original press release



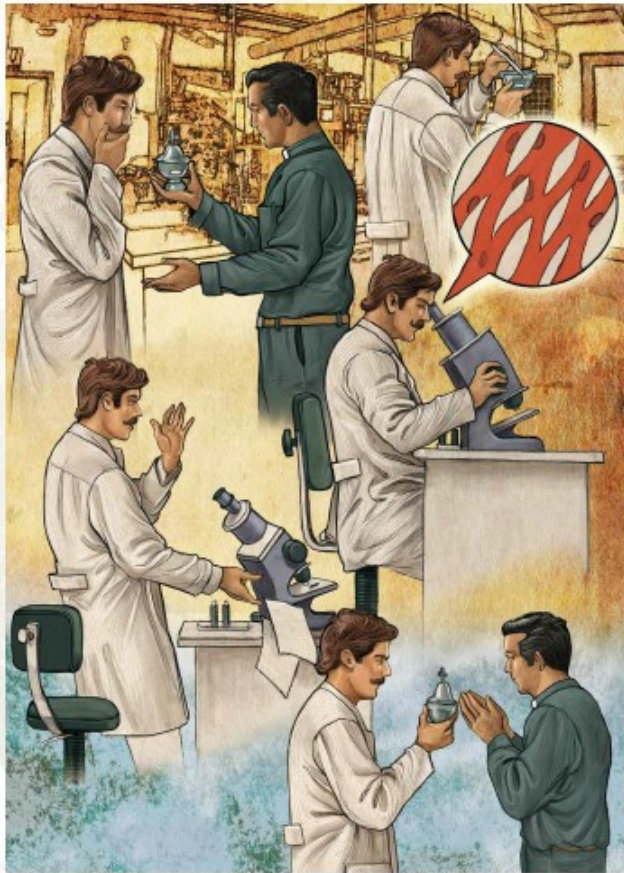
In St. Hyacinth's church in Legnica, during Holy Mass, on December 25, 2013, a Host accidentally fell on the ground, during the distribution of Communion. It was immediately placed in a container with water and closed in the tabernacle. St. Hyacinth's priest, Father Andrzej Ziombra, said that on January 4th, along with other priests, he went to see if the consecrated Host had dissolved in the water after nearly two weeks: "Immediately we noticed that the Host had not dissolved, and that a red spot covering a fifth of its surface appeared. We decided to inform the Bishop, who established a special theological scientific commission to analyze the event. We noticed that over time the stain on the Host changed color from deep red to red brown (...). The sample was taken directly by the scientists on 26 January 2014. For the priests the miracle

was evident. The commission checked if it was some fungus, mold or another external agent (...). The Wrocław Forensic Medicine Institute immediately excluded the presence of bacteria or fungi as a cause for the Host turning red. A second histopathological analysis pointed out that some fragments seemed to belong to myocardial tissue. An additional opinion was sought using the same samples at the Institute of Forensic Medicine in Szczecin without specifying where the samples came from. The Institute used a different analysis method. After the analysis, The Pomeranian Medical University's Department of Histopathology in Szczecin announced that "tissue fragments containing fragmented parts of cross-striated muscle" was found in the histopathological image. This is similar to "human heart muscle with alterations that often appear

during the agony. We have not tested the blood found on the Host, we only know that human DNA was found." The results of the analysis were presented to the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, which recognised the supernatural nature of the event. It is striking that the examination results were similar to those of the Lanciano Eucharistic Miracle of 700 A.D. and other Miracles that occurred recently such as Sokolka in 2008, in Poland, Tixtla in 2006 in Mexico, and Buenos Aires, in Argentina in 1996. On April 17, 2016, following the instructions received by the Holy See, Monsignor Zbigniew Kiernikowski, the new Bishop of Legnica, announced during Mass that the parish priest Fr Andrzej Ziombra should "prepare a suitable place for the exhibition of the precious relic, so that the faithful can express their adoration properly".

Eucharistic Miracle of LEGNICA

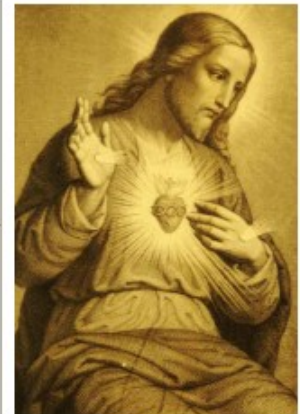
POLAND, 2013



Interior of the Church



Facade of the Church where the miracle took place



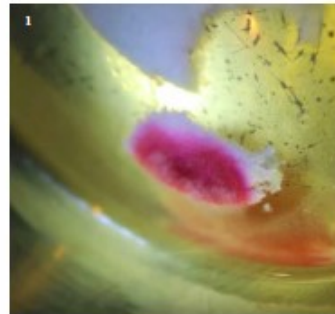
Professor Barbara Engd, after analyzing the sample, said: "The scientists' conclusion is that it is human myocardial tissue."



On January 5, 2014, the priests noticed a stain on the Host, which was immersed in the water. Similar to a bloodstain. The Bishop of Legnica, Monsignor Stefan Cichy, was immediately informed. He established a scientific commission to analyse the event



The fact that the Legnica miracle happened in a church dedicated to St. Hyacinth (1185-1257) is significant. St Hyacinth was a Dominican saint who was devoted to the Eucharist and who also experienced a Eucharist Miracle. When the fierce Mongolian troops had reached the outskirts of Kiev, St. Hyacinth took the ciborium containing the consecrated Hosts and was taking them to safety. He arrived at the back of the church and heard a voice coming from the Madonna statue near the altar calling him, "Hyacinth, Hyacinth. I see you're rescuing my Son, but you will not want to leave His mother in the hands of the desecrating barbarians?" He apologised saying it was impossible for him to lift such a heavy weight, but Our Lady replied: "If you had a little more faith and love for me, it would be easy for you to carry this burden." "I do not want anything but to love you and trust in you," said St. Hyacinth. Immediately the statue became as light as a feather and St. Hyacinth, accompanied by his fellow friars, miraculously crossed the wide river Dnieper and went unnoticed amid the Mongolian troops.



Detail of the stained Host





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.



Avery 5160 Labels, white
Top Flight #10 Envelopes, strip and seal,
white, 24 lb
Neenah Capitol Bond Paper, 8.5x11,
White, 24 lb

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- * **Stabilize contributions.** Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically. Allows parish to effectively manage monthly expenses.
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- * **Current.** A tool for people who prefer to use electronic services.



FAIRFIELD COUNTY Catholic Cemeteries

A MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

Bishop Frank Caggiano will bless the new mausoleum at St. Peter Cemetery in Danbury on Tuesday July 30th 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.

