

**ST. MARGUERITE
BOURGOYS
PARISH**

PASTOR

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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

Church is 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

Dec 7/8: \$5,542.00
OLG: \$3,689.00

Staff

Finance Council Chairman:
Kevin Sheehan

Lay Trustees of the
Corporation:

James Chester, Jr
Scott Senete

Deacons:

Joseph P Cann, Vincent J Pia

Faith Formation Director:

Mary Ellen Tiernan

Bookkeeper: Larry Rice

Communications Manager:

Jean Piccorelli

Choir Director: Tory Gozzi

Music Director: Jack Basso



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your support!



E-News

15 DECEMBER 2024 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception.

Envelopes for **Christmas** and **Christmas Flowers** are available on the tables at the entrances to the Church. Contributions for Christmas Flowers allow the church to be decorated beautifully for the Christmas season. Donations can be made in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Place your envelopes in the offertory. Envelopes will remain on the altar for the Christmas season. All the intentions will be included at Christmas Masses.

Support the **Annual Parish Collection!** Your generous financial assistance keeps the parish on a stable foundation, allowing us to reach out to those in need, and provide education for those who are new to the faith and those who want to grow deeper in their life with Christ. Letters are at the entrances to the church. Cash/checks can be returned to the Parish Office or donate online at osvhub.com/stmarguerite/giving/funds/parish-annual-collection or by scanning the QR code on the letter and in the church. A donation to the Collection is an investment in St. Marguerite's future. These funds support the parish directly, not the Bishop's Appeal.

The **Winner of the Olivewood Nativity** was Barbara Soldano. Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who took a chance.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Dec 16

8:30 +Rozalina Rodrigues Silva and +Sebastiao Pinheiro Silva by their daughter Lucy Silva

Tues, Dec 17

8:30 +Frank Santi by Ann Santi

Wed, Dec 18

8:30 +Lourdes and +Renato Eiras by Lucy Silva

Thurs, Dec 19

8:30 +Rozalina Rodrigues Silva and +Sebastiao Pinheiro Silva by their daughter Lucy Silva

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24

Mass at 4 pm and 10 pm

Christmas Carols at 9:30 pm

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25

Mass at 8:30 am and 11 am.

No 5 pm Mass

Confessions

December 24: 10 am-noon

Every Saturday, 3:30-4:15 pm

Join us on December 21/22 in the Hall after Masses to make **Christmas Cards** for residents of Brookfield Commons. Cards can be made at home and put in the box in the narthex by Sunday, December 22.

2025 Calendars are available for purchase for only \$5 each. Each month features a different Catholic painting. Get yours today!

The last days of the year can be important to finalize gifts in order to receive a **tax deduction**. To ensure your contribution is credited to the 2024 calendar year, checks should be dated and postmarked on or before December 31. Gifts can also be made at stmarguerite.org, under the "Donate" tab. Thank you for your generosity!

Fri, Dec 20

8:30 +Bob Caraluzzi and +Fred Clarkson by Carol Caraluzzi

Sat, Dec 21: St Peter Canisius

4:30 +Rev John Austin by Fr Shawn

Sun, Dec 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30 +Lynne Rodrigue by Rejean and Lili Blais

11:00 +Stan Kurpiewski and +Louis Pontillo, Jr

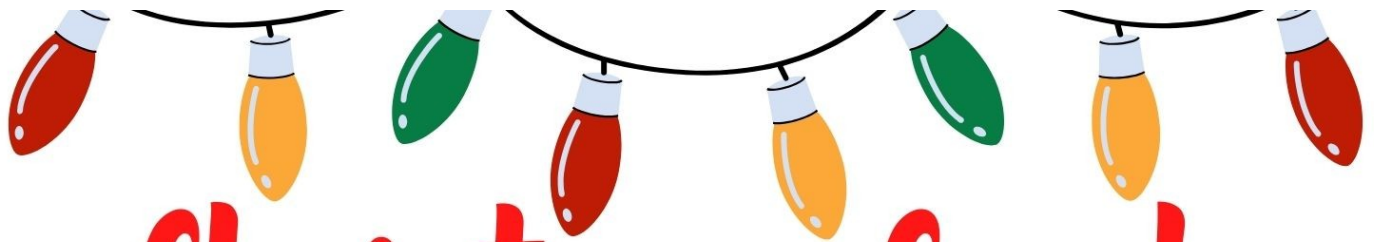
by Denise Kurpiewski

5:00 +Richard Perdew by Glenn and Kathy Fredericks

**THIS WEEK
IN THE PARISH**

Tues, Dec 17
9:15 am - Legion of Mary

10 am - Rosary Making / Prayer Shawl



Christmas Cards for Brookfield Commons

St. Marguerite's will again be collecting Christmas cards to give to the residents of Brookfield Commons. This is a wonderful way for us to spread some Christmas cheer to those who may not always feel so festive during the holidays.



Cards to color with be available in the hall after all Masses on **December 21 and 22 Kids and adults are welcome!**

You can also make your own cards at home and drop them in the box by the bulletin board in the narthex by **Sunday, December 22 (Cards will be delivered on 12/23)**



Thank you for helping make their Christmas a little brighter!

Christmas **SCHEDULE**



CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, December 24

4 pm Mass

9:30 pm Christmas Carols

10 pm Mass



CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, December 25

8:30 am Mass

11 am Mass



SOLEMNITY

OF MARY

Tuesday, December 31

6 pm Mass

Wednesday, January 1

8:30 am Mass





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*You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion,
and your generosity will be a thanksgiving to God. (2 Corinthians 9:11)*

November 2024

Dear St. Marguerite Parish Family,

I am pleased to report that St. Marguerite’s continues to enjoy God’s many blessings in our parish, our families, and in our Brookfield community.

We recently hosted Bishop Frank Caggiano for our Eucharistic Holy Hour and Procession as we prayed together, sang, and adored Our Lord as part of our nation’s Eucharistic Revival. We have 141 families currently in religious family formation, and our recent Bible study saw the largest attendance in my ten years as pastor! Your generosity allowed us to surpass the Bishop’s Appeal goal this year, and you also generously supported hurricane relief for those affected in Florida and the Carolinas. The parish continues to serve monthly meals to shut-ins, our Women’s Sodality provides many fellowship events where we gather as a parish family, and we had another successful Golf Tournament to benefit the parish Needy Fund.

I would ask you please to continue making an investment in St. Marguerite’s future through our Parish Annual Collection (which stays in the parish, not the diocese). Your generous financial assistance keeps the parish on a stable foundation, allows us to reach out to those in need, and provides education for those who are new to the faith and those who want to grow deeper in their life with Christ.

May God continue to bless us abundantly,

Rev. Shawn W. Jordan

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Pastor

Yes! I will support St. Marguerite Bourgeoys with a gift to the 2024 Annual Collection.

Please make your check payable to **St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish.**

Enclosed is my gift of: \$50 ___ \$100 ___ \$250 ___ \$500 ___ \$1,000 ___ Other ___



Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

<https://www.osvhub.com/stmarguerite/giving/funds/parish-annual-collection>



~ Scotch Sure Start Packing Tape,
1.88 in x 22.2 yd with dispensers, clear
~ White Copy Paper, letter size
(8.5"x11"), 92 brightness, 20 lb

Link to Amazon Wish List:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref_=wl_share

**Thank you for your generous
support of the parish!**



ONLINE
GIVING

Online Giving allows a donor 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!**

Donor Benefits:

- * **Convenient** anytime, anywhere access through the internet.
- * **Secure and Confidential.** Adheres to banking security standards.
- * **Flexible.** Start, stop, and change your contributions at any time.
- * **Simple.** No need to contact your bank or the parish office.
- * **Contribute** using direct withdrawal (ACH) or credit cards.

Parish benefits:

- * **Stabilize contributions.** Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically. Allows parish to effectively manage monthly expenses.
- * **Direct Donations.** A simple way to contribute to individual events, holiday needs, classes, special donations, and more.
- * **Secure and Confidential.** No need to store donor account information.
- * **Efficient.** Participation saves time and expense in bookkeeping.
- * **Current.** A tool for people who prefer to use electronic services.

Eucharistic Miracle of SILLA

SPAIN, 1907

The Eucharistic miracle of Silla happened in 1907. Some Hosts, stolen by unknown thieves, were recovered in perfect condition, hidden under a stone in a little garden not far from the city. Even today it is possible to adore the miraculous Hosts: they remain intact since almost one hundred years ago. The Hosts are preserved in the church of Our Lady of the Angels, in Silla. Still today it is possible to adore the uncorrupted Host preserved in the church of this town at the outskirts of Valencia.



Hosts of the Miracle



Our Lady of the Angels, Silla



I CENTENARIO DE LAS
SAGRADAS FORMAS INCORRUPTAS
SILLA 1907-2007

During the celebration of the Mass on March 25, 1907, feast of the Annunciation, Fernand Gomez, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of the Angels in Silla, opened the tabernacle to get the Hosts for the communion of the faithful. Greatly perturbed he found the little tabernacle door opened and the precious silver ciborium with all the consecrated Hosts missing. The Sacred Species were found two days later in a small garden outside the city, hidden under a stone. The pastor returned them with a solemn procession to the church.

In 1934, realizing that the Hosts remained "in the same way in which they were found under the stone and that they had maintained unchanged in the original condition", the Archbishop of Valencia started a process to

declare their preservation a miracle and sealed with wax the reliquary containing the Hosts. He also wrote a detailed documentation of the miracle. Unfortunately, two years later the bishop's residence was burned down by the anarchists-communists and the precious document was lost. In 1982, the then Archbishop of Valencia, Monsignor Miguel Roca, started a new canonical process by which he also determined how to officially worship the Sacred Host of the miracle.





COATS FOR KIDS



Every \$25 donation will buy a quality winter coat for a local area child or adult in need.
Funds are collected year long, and coats are distributed in the fall.