

**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

Church is open

9 am-5 pm

Rosary

Saturdays at 4 pm

Office Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-3 pm

Offertory

Feb 1/2: \$5,203.00

OLG: \$4,111.00

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E-News

9 FEBRUARY 2025 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our parish is sponsoring a customized **trip to France with Collette Tours! An Information Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11 at 6 pm in the Hall.** The tour begins on October 7th, and we land in Paris. It's a particularly exciting time since Notre Dame has just reopened after the devastating fire five years ago. Some of the highlights of the tour will include Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (St. Catherine Laboure), Lisieux (St. Therese), the UNESCO site of the Cathedral of Chartres, Nevers (St. Bernadette), Paray-le-Monial (St. Margaret Mary Alacoque), Lyon (Basilica of Notre Dame), Ars (St. Jean Marie Vianney), LaSalette, Avignon and Carcassonne (UNESCO sites). The trip ends in Lourdes where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette. We return on October 17. A brochure is available in the church. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at 845.600.5425, maryellentianan@icloud.com.

Registration for the spring session of the **New Day Bereavement Program** at St Marguerite's is now open. Meetings will be held on Thursdays, 2-3:30 pm, March 27-May 29. Complete a Program Inquiry Form at ctcemeteries.org/newday or call Carolyn at 203.404.0023.

The Knights of Columbus Council #11913 is sponsoring a **Pasta Dinner** on Saturday, February 15 in St. Marguerite's Parish Hall. Cost is \$5/person; \$10/family. Doors open at 5:30 for appetizers; dinner served at 6 pm. Join them for dinner and get to know the Knights and your fellow parishioners and neighbors!

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Feb 10: St Scholastica

8:30 +Rev John Burke, OP by Fr Shawn

Tues, Feb 11: Our Lady of Lourdes

8:30 Ints of Heather Idoni by Katy Murphy

Wed, Feb 12

8:30 +Bob Caraluzzi by Al and Mary Ann Mascia

Thurs, Feb 13

8:30 +Patricia Mroccka by Linda and Brian Frame

Fri, Feb 14: St Valentine

8:30 Ints of Michael E Milazzo by Hope and Anthony Biasseti

Knights of Columbus **Blood Drive:** Sunday, February 16, 8 am-1 pm in the Hall. For an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1.800.733.2767.

One in Christ, 2025 Bishop's Appeal: For more than a century, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County has offered a wide range of social services to the greater Fairfield County community. Thanks to the time, talent, and treasure of so many parishioners around the Diocese, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County continues to be one of the largest private social service providers in Connecticut, offering assistance throughout the 23 towns in the Diocese. The agency's mission is to help the needy and most vulnerable of all faiths to permanently improve their lives, providing supportive services that enable families to rise out of poverty, overcome barriers, and achieve self-sufficiency and independence. The agency serves all people without regard to age, race, religion, or ability to pay. Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal will assist Catholic Charities to do the incredible work that it does for our most vulnerable neighbors in Fairfield County. For more information, visit 2025BishopsAppeal.org.

A Parish **Men's Retreat** will be held March 7-8 at Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford. The theme is "In My Love Abide". For more information, call 860.521.0440. Register at holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats. Suggested offering of \$350. Financial assistance available.

Sat, Feb 15: BVM

4:30 +Paul Bernier by Rich and Lauren Leshik

Sun, Feb 16: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 +Eva and +Valmont Bernier by Doreen Bernier
11:00 Ints of Linda Villafuno and family by Macera family; +Betsy McVay by Al and Mary Ann Mascia
5:00 +Junior, +Queybr, +Estefani, and +Bolivar Yanza by their mother

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**

Mon, Feb 10
10 am - Cenacle

Tues, Feb 11
9:15 am - Legion of Mary

6 pm -
France Trip Info Meeting

ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS &
ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISHES

SHRINES OF FRANCE

OCTOBER 7 - OCTOBER 17, 2025

HIGHLIGHTS:

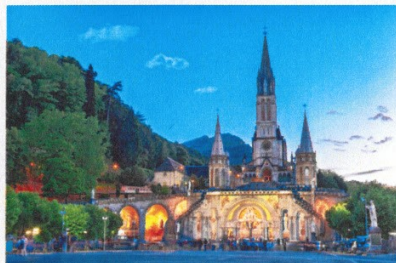
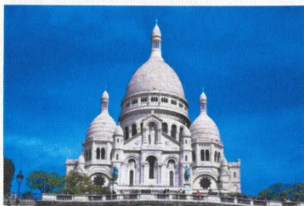
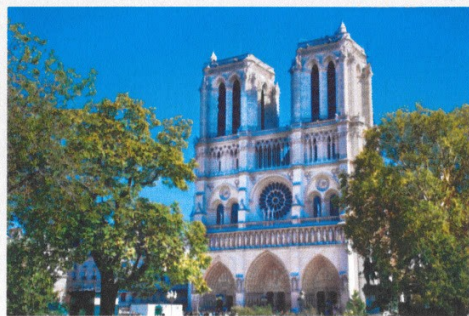
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CHAPEL OF OUR LADY OF THE
MIRACULOUS MEDAL

BASILICA OF ST. THÉRÈSE

PARIS, LYON, NEVERS, LOURDES



FEBRUARY 11, 6PM

INFORMATION

MEETING

ST. MARGUERITE HALL

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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

VISIT [HTTPS://GATEWAY.GOCOLLETTE.COM/LINK/1297239](https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1297239) OR CONTACT
MARY ELLEN AT MARYELLENTIERNAN@ICLOUD.COM OR 845.600.5425

You're never **PASTA**
the point of no return!

Jesus Loves You

and we'd love for you and your family to attend



Saturday, February 15, 2025

Appetizers at 5:30pm. Dinner at 6:00pm.

Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert. Coffee and refreshments will be available. BYOB.

St. Marguerite Parish Hall

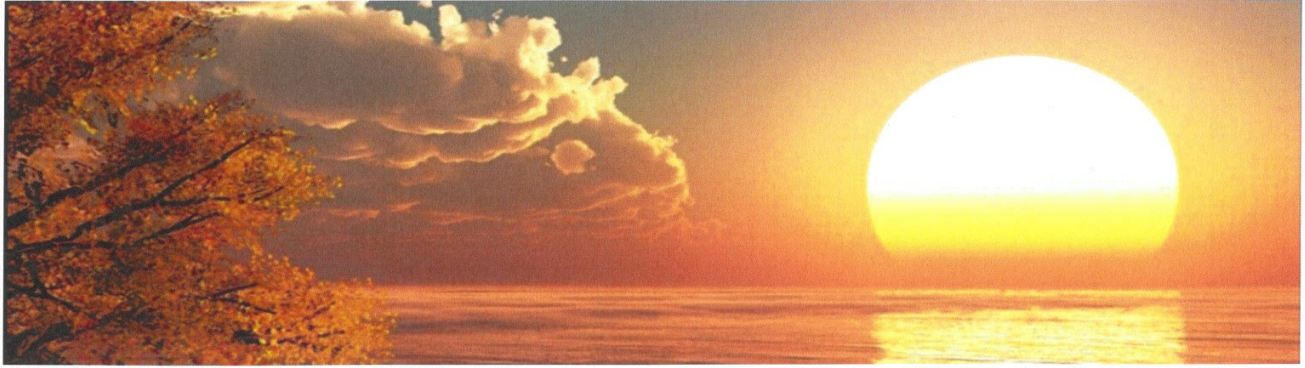
RSVP by **February 7th, 2025**
to Greg Dembowski at
GregDembowski@yahoo.com
or call Greg at 203-733-7209

COST: Suggested donation is \$5
person or \$10 per family.

Candlewood Lake Council 11913



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NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM
SPRING SESSION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Thursday afternoon 2:00 – 3:30 pm

March 27 – May 29

****NOTE – There will be NO Group on April 17, as that is Holy Thursday****

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.



**American
Red Cross**

Community of Giving

Knight of Columbus Blood Drive

Sunday February 16, 2025

8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church

138 Candlewood Lake Rd., Brookfield, CT 06804

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org

Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



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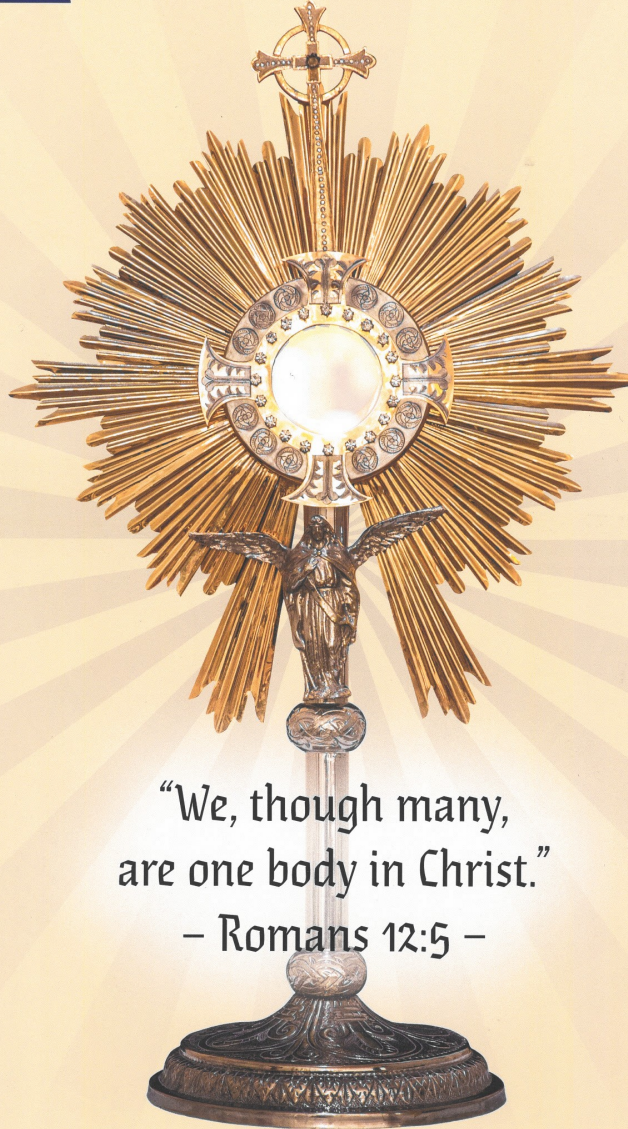
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ONE *in Christ*

2025 Bishop's Appeal

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*"We, though many,
are one body in Christ."*

- Romans 12:5 -



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Bishop Caggiano's 2025 Bishop's Appeal Message

My Dear Friends,

We have embarked on a great adventure for the spiritual and pastoral renewal of our diocese. We call this renewal "The One" because we stand together as one family, accompanying and assisting each other to transform lives. I come to you with a joyful and grateful heart to ask for your support of the 2025 Bishop's Appeal, which gives us the resources to invite people to encounter Christ and be accompanied in faith.

An investment in the programs and ministries of the Appeal allows us to unite as One in Christ to bring to life all the diocesan ministries, programs, and agencies that deliver the pastoral care and human services that no single parish can provide on its own. Among the new ministries the Appeal will support are the Diocese of Bridgeport Guilds. These associations aim to deepen Christian discipleship and provide a network of support based on a common profession, interest, or vocation. This year, the diocese will introduce the St. Thomas More Guild for those in the legal profession and the St. Timothy Guild for young adults.

The diocese is also launching the Stephen Ministry, which is a ministry of accompaniment that provides one-to-one care for those in parishes and communities who are facing life difficulties, such as grief, divorce, job loss, or illness. We all know that a moment of sickness or suffering can be a personal challenge, but also a moment that allows us to experience the mercy, love and presence of Christ. For the chaplains and ministers who care for our sick, whose work is sponsored by the Appeal, we are deeply grateful. The Appeal also helps children by giving them an opportunity, through the Bishop's Scholarship Fund, to unlock their potential and future.

Love in action is the work of Catholic Charities, which reaches out to those who are homeless, hungry, who are looking for employment and shelter, and who are looking for hope. The Appeal allows that noble work to continue.

At this moment in our nation's history, there is a growing number of young adults searching for a new direction that will give them encouragement and hope. The Church will lead them to an encounter with Christ. Then, they can go out into the world and be his missionaries. The Appeal supports seminarian and diaconate education, and promotes initiatives that form youth and parents through the Institute for Catholic Formation.

So my friends, I thank you for your generosity and support, and I ask you to pray with me that the Holy Spirit will inspire the work we are doing — the work of renewal that will bear great fruit, not because of our efforts, but because He will have abundantly blessed what we do.

Thank you for your gift to the 2025 Bishop's Appeal. May God bless you.

Frank J. Caggiano

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano
Bishop of Bridgeport



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Recurring giving to the Bishop's Appeal allows us to unite as One in Christ and provide works of charity, formation in faith, education, and catechesis.

Sign up for recurring giving today! Visit: www.2025BishopsAppeal.org

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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.
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- * **Contribute** using direct withdrawal (ACH) or credit cards.

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- * **Secure and Confidential.** No need to store donor account information.
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- * **Current.** A tool for people who prefer to use electronic services.

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be processed through the Online Giving account associated with the phone number. If your phone number is not recognized, you can continue without an account, associate your number with an existing account, or create an account.

