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 8/9: \$3,661.00 OLG: \$3,079.00

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E-News

16 FEBRUARY 2025 - SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our parish is sponsoring a customized trip to France with Collette Tours! The tour begins on October 7 in Paris. This is 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 on October 17 in Lourdes. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen at 845.600.5425 or maryellentiernan @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.

A Parish **Men's Retreat** will be held March 7 -9 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/themedretreats. Suggested offering of \$350.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Feb 17: Seven Holy Founders of Servite Order 8:30 +Stella Miska by her son, Mike Tues, Feb 18 8:30 +Francesco Fata by Fata family Wed, Feb 19 8:30 +Bob Caraluzzi by Frank family Thurs, Feb 20 8:30 +Caroline Perone by her daughter Fri, Feb 21: St Peter Damian 8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of DeAlessio and Martin families by DeAlessio family

> THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

The **Parish's bills** don't take a respite for snow storms. Please consider signing up for online giving at osvhub.com/stmarguerite or text to give at 475.244.9691. Missed offertory can also be placed in the basket at a later date. Thank you for your support!

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday**, March 5. Ashes will be distributed at the 8:30 am Mass only. It is a day of fast and abstinence.

One in Christ - 2025 Bishop's Appeal: Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal supports training for men in formation to the Diaconate. Deacons share their gifts of faith, hope, and love in bringing people together, as one in Christ, in parish communities and their ministries. From inquiry through formation, candidates are supported and guided through 4.5 years of study, prayer, and discernment. Through your donation to the Bishop's Appeal, the financial burden of the formation program is minimized. This allows the deacon candidates to focus on their studies and discern their vocation in preparation for supporting the Bishop, the Diocese, and serving in their assigned parishes upon ordination and beyond. Make your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today at 2025BishopsAppeal.org.

Parish Office is closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of Presidents Day.

Sat, Feb 22: The Chair of St Peter 4:30 +Ralph Tempone by Polito family Sun, Feb 23: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 +Paul Bernier by Doreen Bernier 11:00 +Sophie Nimer by Tami Nimer; +Peter Kirk by Eleanor Kirk 5:00 +Lisa Sweeting by Biasetti family

Offering: Mass — \$10; Altar Candles — \$20; Sanctuary Candle — \$10; Hosts — \$15; Sacramental Wine — \$10; St Marguerite Candle — \$10. No Masses open for intentions in 2025. The 2026 Mass book will open in April.

Tues, Feb 18 9:15 am - Legion of Mary 10 am - Prayer Shawl / Rosary Making

ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS & ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISHES

SHRINES OF FRANCE

OCTOBER 7 - OCTOBER 17, 2025

HIGHLIGHTS:

NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL

SACRE-COEUR

CHAPEL OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

BASILICA OF ST. THÉRÈSE

PARIS, LYON, NEVERS, LOURDES









FOR MORE INFORMATION:

VISIT HTTPS://GATEWAY.GOCOLLETTE.COM/LINK/1297239 OR CONTACT MARY ELLEN AT MARYELLENTIERNAN@ICLOUD.COM OR 845.600.5425



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.

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.

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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.

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"We, though many, are one body in Christ." – Romans 12:5 –





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2025 BISHOP'S APPEAL



THE GOSPEL

"Diaconate formation is the centerpiece of my life. I am studying for a master's degree in theology at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers. I pray the Liturgy of the Hours each morning on Zoom with several Deacons and a formation brother. I pray that the entire process draws all of us closer to the Lord and inspires us to use the gifts God gives us for the betterment of others." **Michael Crane**

Candidate for the Permanent Diaconate

MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY!

Your contribution to the Bishop's Appeal helps train men for the Diaconate, enabling deacons to share faith, hope, and love by uniting parish communities and ministries as One in Christ.



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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.

- * **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.



We are keeping up with technology! With 97% of smartphone users texting at least once a day, our parish has decided to add the option to give via text. You can text an amount to 475-244-969, and your transaction will <section-header>

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.

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