### ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS PARISH

#### **PASTOR**

REV. SHAWN W. JORDAN

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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 15/16: \$2,510.00 OLG: \$1,980.00

### Staff

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To donate to the Parish, scan the QR code.

Thank you for your support!



### E-News

### 23 FEBRUARY 2025 - SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Next weekend, March 1-2, is In-Pew Weekend for the **One in Christ - 2025 Bishop's Appeal**. At all Masses, parishioners are asked to prayerfully consider making a gift or pledge to the Appeal. Envelopes will be provided for check or cash gifts. You can also scan a QR code to make a donation online at 2025BishopsAppeal.org.

Support for the Appeal is a tangible way to place a share of our blessings at the service of others, especially those most in need. Thank you to those in our parish who have already made their commitment to the Appeal. While we must be mindful of the responsibility to support our parish, we must recognize that we are all partners in the greater Diocesan mission to serve the growing charitable, educational, and pastoral needs of our people.

The Bishop's Appeal is the major source of revenue for supporting the ministries and agencies of the Diocese of Bridgeport. It is these faith-based programs, services, and ministries that enable the Church of Bridgeport under the direction of Bishop Frank Caggiano to reach across parish boundaries in the areas of: Faith and Ministry, Charity and Pastoral Services and Education and Catechesis. St Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish's goal: \$65,700.

Thank you for your generous donations to the **Parish Annual Collection!** We raised \$42,500 which is our best ever!

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.

We are very excited to be sponsoring a customized trip to France with Collette Tours! From October 7-17, we will be visiting the cities, countryside and beautiful religious shrines and cathedrals from Paris to Lourdes. Some of highlights include touring Paris, the 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. A brochure about the trip is available in the church or parish office and at gateway.gocollette.com/link/1297239. For info, contact Mary Ellen at 845.600. 5425, maryellen tiernan@icloud.com. "C'est magnifique!"

Knights of Columbus Council 11913 is taking orders for **Palm Crosses** (\$20/each) for pick up on April 13. See the flyer in the church.

Registration for the **New Day Bereavement Program** at St Marguerite's is 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 203.404.0023.

Virtus Training: The Diocese of Bridgeport mandates all volunteers at the parish and in the Diocese comply with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy. Register for the "Protecting God's Children" program at virtus.org.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon, Feb 24

8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of the Madden, Murphy, and Malone families by Katy Murphy

Tues, Feb 25

8:30 +Anna Nacinovich by family **Wed, Feb 26**: *St Gregory of Narek* 

8:30 +Rev William J O'Halloran, SJ by Fr Shawn Thurs, Feb 27

8:30 +Stella Miska by her son, Mike Fri. Feb 28

8:30 +Nicholas Cremonese by Nacinovich family

THIS WEEK
IN THE PARISH

Sat, Mar 1: BVM

4:30 Ints of Frances Kaminsky by Babuini family Sun, Mar 2: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 +Noeline M Vicini by Rossi family 11:00 +Eva and +Valmont Bernier by Doreen Bernier; +George Meyerle by William Fedorich 5:00 +Rev Angelus Shaughnessy, OFM Cap

#### Feb 24-Mar 2:

Our **St Marguerite Candle** is for the intentions and protection of Genisis Macao, who is serving in the armed forces, and her family.

Tues, Feb 25 9:15 am - Legion of Mary 1:30 pm - Fatima Prayer Cell

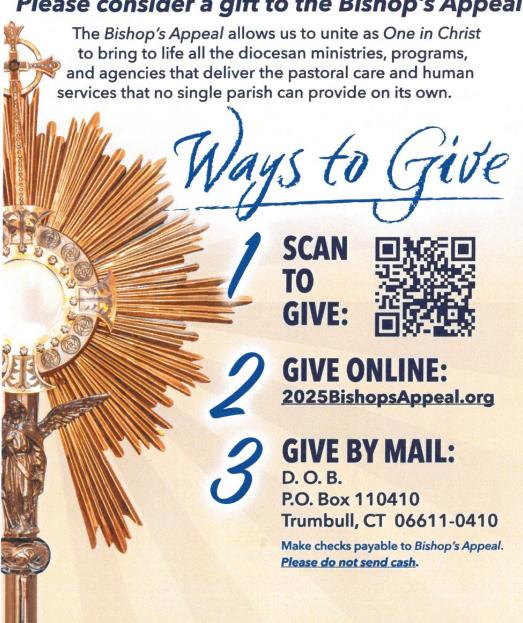
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# ONE in Christ

### 2025 Bishop's Appeal

DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

### Please consider a gift to the Bishop's Appeal.



Thank you for your support of the Bishop's Appeal!

ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS & ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISHES

# SHRINES 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



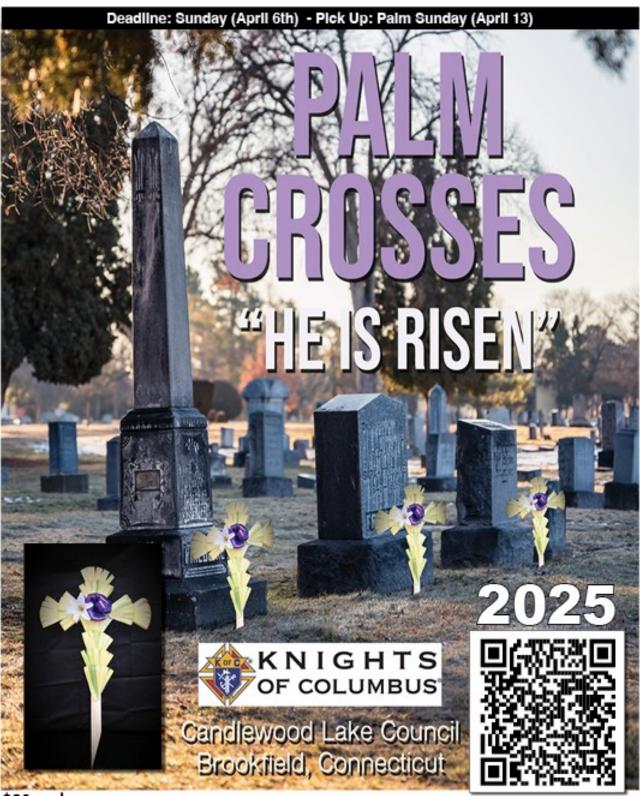




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### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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



\$20 each - pre-ordered only - online w/credit card or cash/check with paper form Order Deadline: Sunday, April 6th, 2025 @ 6:00pm

To order view this QR code from your Phone or iPad's camera. You will be

Pick-up on Palm Sunday - April 13, 2025 at St Marguerite's OR St Joseph's (must select one location only)

Choice of Bow colors: Purple, Lavender, Pink, Fuchsia, White, Yellow, Light Blue and Royal Blue.





# 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.

### Our Wish List is Empty, Thanks to our Generous Donors!

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 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:

automatically. Allows parish to effectively manage monthly expenses.

\* Direct Donations. A simple way to contribute to individual events, holiday needs, classes, special

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- 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.

## Text to Give! 475-244-9691

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



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.