

**ST. MARGUERITE  
BOURGEOYS  
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**

8 am-5 pm

**Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-3 pm

**Rosary**

Saturdays at 4 pm

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Mon-Sat: 3 pm

**Offertory**

Aug 23/24: \$5,272.00  
OLG: \$1,994.00

**Staff**

Finance Council Chairman:  
Kevin Sheehan

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Corporation:

James Chester, Jr  
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Deacon: Joseph Cann

Faith Formation Director:  
Mary Ellen Tiernan

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Music Director: Jack Basso

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# E-News

**31 AUGUST 2025 - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

The **St Marguerite/St Joseph Annual Parish Picnic** will be held on Sunday, September 21st, noon-3 pm. Volunteer and food sign ups are in the narthex. Ticket sales begin this weekend in the narthex.

**The Search Begins** is a study for teen parishioners entering grades 8, 9, and 10 who are looking to go “deeper” in their faith in a fun and relaxed way. The study will be nine sessions (once a month) on Sundays at 9:30 am beginning September 14th. Cost is \$50 for materials. To register, download the form at [stmarguerite.org](http://stmarguerite.org) under “Breaking News”. Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Tiernan at [metiernan@stmarguerite.org](mailto:metiernan@stmarguerite.org).

Registration is now open for **CREW—Leaders for Mary**, a Catholic apostolate that leads middle and high school teens to Jesus through Mary. To register, visit [crewlfm.org](http://crewlfm.org).

**Calling all singers!** The Adult Choir sings at the Sunday 11 am Mass and for the special liturgies on Christmas Eve and during Holy Week. Practice is at 10 am on Sundays. Contact Tory Gozzi at [torygozzi@gmail.com](mailto:torygozzi@gmail.com). Members must be VIRTUS trained.

**Parish Wish List.** See the list in the narthex and on the parish website. Specifics on items are viewable on the flyers and at Amazon. Items can be purchased at any store.

Thank you for your generous donations to the **One in Christ-2025 Bishop’s Appeal!** Our goal was \$65,700. To date, \$69,978 has been collected in cash (106.51% of goal); \$72,210 has been pledged (109.91% of goal)!

**What is OCIA?** The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a journey of faith. Through the OCIA process, there is preparation for receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. For information, email [metiernan@stmarguerite.org](mailto:metiernan@stmarguerite.org).

The **Annual Diocesan Wedding Jubilee Mass** will be on Saturday, October 4th at 11 am at the Cathedral of Saint Augustine. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 45th, 50th, and more years of marriage are eligible to attend. To register: [Sharon.Colihan@diobpt.org](mailto:Sharon.Colihan@diobpt.org) or 203.416.1454.

The **Parish Office will be closed** on Monday, September 1st in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

**Virtus Training:** All volunteers in the Diocese of Bridgeport are required to comply with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy which requires you to complete the “Protecting God’s Children” program. To volunteer with the parish or Diocese, register for the program at [virtus.org](http://virtus.org).

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mon, Sept 1**

8:30 +Marie Davin Bryant by family

**Tues, Sept 2**

8:30 +Caterina Fata by Fata family

**Wed, Sept 3: St Gregory the Great**

8:30 +Frances McStravick by her husband, Gerard

**Thurs, Sept 4**

8:30 +Jack Regan by Paula Morasco

**Fri, Sept 5**

8:30 +Rev Msgr George E Tracy by Father Shawn

**Sat, Sept 6: BVM**

4:30 +Octave and +Octavie Allain by Doreen Bernier

**Sun, Sept 7: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 +Richard K. Lange by his mom and dad

11:00 Ints of David and Lisa Keane and family by

Amy Pontillo; +Fred Nimer by Tami Nimer

5:00 +Stella Miska by her son

**Sept 1-7:**

Our **Altar Candles** are for +Kathy Lathrop requested by Tami Nimer

**THIS WEEK  
IN THE PARISH**

**Tues, Sept 2**  
9:15 am - Legion of Mary

10:00 am - Prayer Shawl /  
Rosary Making



SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC** SAINT MARGUERITE BOURGEOIS

Sunday September 21

12PM – 3PM

Upper Lot of St. Joseph Church



\$8 per person/\$18 immediate household, OR  
\$10 per person/\$25 immediate household if  
purchased day-of.

CHILDREN UNDER 5 ARE FREE.



Wristband tickets can be purchased after all  
Masses beginning the weekend of August 30 & 31.

Sign Up

Sign Up Sheets will be available in the Narthex for  
anyone who would like to contribute a dish and/or  
volunteer their time.



Got questions or need more information? Please  
contact [gregdembowski@yahoo.com](mailto:gregdembowski@yahoo.com)





## ***WHAT DO YOU SEEK? THE SEARCH BEGINS!***

**Calling all our young teen parishioners who are entering grades 8, 9, or 10!!!**

Ever wonder, after all our time learning in our Faith Formation classes, “how does all this connect with me? Is this faith stuff really relevant in my life? How can I find ways to make my faith a more meaningful part of my daily life?”

We are providing a study for kids your age looking to go “deeper” in a fun and relaxed way. We invite you to be part of “The Search Begins”. Our study will be nine sessions with two of our “seasoned” facilitators guiding you through a journey, asking questions for you to ponder and helping to lead you toward a deeper and fuller faith experience. The study will be held on Sundays at 9:30 am. The only “homework” will be for your own **PERSONAL** reflections to help you on this lifelong faith journey. A simple morning treat will be provided.

The fee for the materials for this study is \$50. Please consider how this time with friends can help answer your questions and take your years of study to the **NEXT** level!

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE TEAR OFF BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO REGISTER:**

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STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE IN SCHOOL 25-26: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT CELL #: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT \$50 - CHECK # ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

(PAYABLE TO ST. MARGUERITE)

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**CREW - Leaders For Mary**



A Catholic apostolate that leads middle and high school teens to Jesus through Mary, offering faith-filled CREW Nights, retreats, service, and mission trips that inspire spiritual growth, leadership, and lasting community.

To register visit: [www.crewlfm.org](http://www.crewlfm.org)  
or  
scan the QR Code





# WISH LIST

- ☐ Crayola Washable Markers, broad line, classic colors
- ☐ Crayola Washable Markers, fine line, classic colors
- ☐ Ziploc sandwich and snack bags
- ☐ Bic White-Out Correction Tape

# THANK YOU!





# **Macksey-Elston Memorial Golf Tournament**

**Wednesday**

**October 8, 2025  
RICHTER PARK**

to benefit the needy of  
**St. Joseph's and  
St. Marguerite's**  
Brookfield, Connecticut

View from your smartphone camera



<https://macksey-elstongolf.square.site>

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# FALL

# *festival*

**SATURDAY 9AM-4PM**

**8 November 2025**

**Great Vendors and Crafts, Foods and Baked  
Goods and Wonderful Holiday Gifts!**

**Entry is free**

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish  
138 Candlewood Lake Road  
Brookfield CT 06804

**\*Interested in being a vendor?**

**Email: [fallfestival@stmarguerite.org](mailto:fallfestival@stmarguerite.org)**





# SUMMER OF GENEROSITY

*Love, serve, and give generously this summer*



Our church offers Online Giving as an additional option to support our ongoing mission, ministries, and programs. **Your generosity and support make our church's work possible!**

Make donations, payments, and pledges to our church via your mobile phone, smart device, or computer.

*Set up your gift today or consider an additional gift via our Online Giving link on your smart device.*

**Visit our church website today  
to sign up and get started**



## 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.

**Bic White-Out Correction Tape**  
**Offertory Envelopes**  
**Crayola markers (fine and broad, classic colors)**  
**Ziploc sandwich or snack bags**

Link to Amazon Wish List: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7W2VJHBHP8OI?ref_=wl_share)

**Thank you for your generous support!**



**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](http://stmarguerite.org) and click on the “Donate” tab. **Thank you for your support!**



# ONLINE GIVING

### **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.



**NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM**  
**FALL 2025 SESSION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

**Thursday afternoon 2:00 – 3:30 pm**

**September 11 – November 6**

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.





# **Catholicism & Religious Pluralism**

**The beautiful identity our Catholic Faith  
bestows amidst a religiously diverse society**

Key note speaker:

**Father Brian Gannon, Pastor & RA**

**Monday, September 22, 2025 7PM**

**St. Theresa Church**

**5301 Main St. Trumbull**

**Lower Parish Center**

**Come and learn more  
about the Lay Dominicans.**

**Bring a friend to our open house.**

**Light refreshments served.**



**Our Lady of Fatima #117  
Lay Fraternity of Saint  
Dominic**

**For more information contact:**

**Mrs. Michelle Rowe,  
Formation Director**

**[orapronobis20@gmail.com](mailto:orapronobis20@gmail.com)**

**203 218 6882**



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ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS &  
ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISHES

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# SHRINES OF FRANCE

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OCTOBER 7 - OCTOBER 17, 2025

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## 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:

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