

May the Risen Christ fill you
with every Grace and
Blessing during this Easter
Season and always.

**ST. MARGUERITE
BOURGOYS
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

8 am-5 pm

Office Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9 am-3 pm

Rosary

Saturdays at 4 pm

Offertory

Mar 28/29: \$6,812.00
OLG: \$1,979.00

Staff

Finance Council Chairman:
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E-News

5 APRIL 2026 - EASTER SUNDAY

EASTER

Easter Greetings from Father Shawn...

As we gather together with loved ones and friends for Easter,
let us rejoice in the rebirth and renewal of Christ, our savior,
and his promise of salvation for us all.

HE HAS RISEN



Welcome! We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners and visitors who have come to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with us. May the light of the risen Christ bring peace to your hearts and homes always.

Congratulations to our OCIA catechumens:

Leia Alves, Nicole Larkin, Francesca Moreira, Ava Mott, and Katie Tran, who were fully initiated into the faith at the Easter Vigil! We look forward to Pentecost when Isabella Alves and Fiona Devine will receive Confirmation.

Mother Daughter Tea Party: Sunday, May 31st after the 11 am Mass. More details to follow.

Join us August 5th-7th in Lancaster for a **Sight and Sound Theatre** production of "Joshua" and the Amish countryside. See the flyers in the church for details and pricing.

Register your child for 2026-27 **Faith**

Formation classes. Classes start in first grade. Contact Mary Ellen at 203.775.5117, x215 for information and to register.

Our **Tag Sale** will be held Saturday, May 16th, with a preview day on Friday, May 15th. Start collecting your items in usable, good, and resellable condition for donation in early May.

2026 Bishop's Appeal / St Marguerite Parish Goal: \$65,700.00
Pledged: \$48,392.00; 74% of Goal

The **2026 Bishop's Appeal** is the major source of revenue for supporting the ministries and agencies of the Diocese of Bridgeport. This past week, we walked with Christ on the path of His Passion, remembering His profound love and ultimate sacrifice for us. It invited us to renew our hearts, deepen our prayer, and recommit ourselves to living as true disciples.

Through the 2026 Bishop's Appeal, our diocesan family continues Christ's mission, supporting those in need, forming future priests and leaders, caring for the vulnerable, and strengthening Catholic faith and education across Fairfield County. Your generosity becomes a living expression of the Gospel, bringing Christ's love to others just as He poured Himself out for us.

May this Easter season draw us closer to the Lord and to one another as we walk together as One in Christ. To participate in the Bishop's Appeal, please visit 2026BishopsAppeal.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Apr 6: Monday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 +Frank Randall by Barbara

Tues, Apr 7: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 +Carline T Clarke by Father Jordan

Wed, Apr 8: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 +Dec Mbrs of Guardo family by Nacinovich family

Thurs, Apr 9: Thursday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 +Anthony and +Carmella Trezza by Trezza family

Fri, Apr 10: Friday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 +David E Collins by Tami Nimer

Sat, Apr 11: Saturday within the Octave of Easter

4:30 +James D Carroll by Pat Spitzfaden

Sun, Apr 12: Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 +Julia Caraluzzi by family

11:00 +Paul Bernier by Paula Morasco; and

+George A Stipak by Stipak family

5:00 +Paul Bernier by family

April 6-12:

Our **St Marguerite Candle** is for +Jean Vitale requested by Carmela Mangini.
Our **Sanctuary Candle** is for the Intentions of Isabel Quinde and family.



SAINT MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS



Congratulations and welcome
to our newest members
of the Catholic Church
and parish family
of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys.

Your journey in the faith is just beginning
as we walk together
to meet the Lord each day!

Isabella Alves

Nicole Larkin

Leia Alves

Francesca Moreira

Fiona Devine

Ava Mott

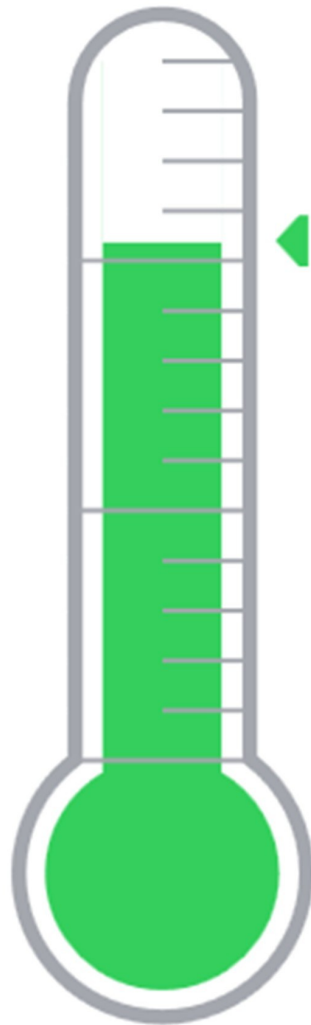
Katie Tran

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2026 BISHOP'S APPEAL

**Getting Closer!
74% of goal!**

**GOAL
\$65,700**



**Pledged
\$48,392**

2026 BISHOP'S APPEAL



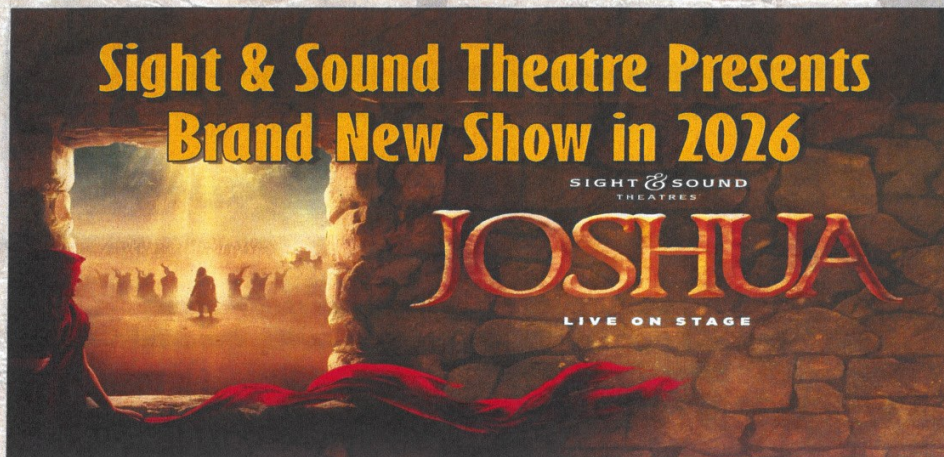
HOLY WEEK

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2026BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church & St Marianne Cope Parish Presents:



Lancaster, PA

**Dinner with an Amish Family • Amish Countryside Tour
Seltzer's Smokehouse Tour**

August 5-7, 2026 Wed-Fri

Day 1: We depart via deluxe motorcoach for our tour to Lancaster, PA - the heart of the Amish Country. 2 nights at the **COMFORT SUITES LANCASTER**, featuring spacious guestrooms, indoor pool, fitness center. This evening prepare for a unique and truly memorable experience as we enjoy an **AUTHENTIC AMISH DINNER** prepared by an Amish family. Enjoy their kind and gracious hospitality as the family serves you a delicious Penn Dutch feast.

Day 2: Venture out onto the roads less traveled through the heart of the Amish farmlands. Enjoy picturesque scenery, see the pristine farms, visit an Amish Broom Shop and a Quilt Shop to chat about quilt making. Explore **KITCHEN KETTLE VILLAGE** with lunch on own before taking our preferred reserved seats this afternoon at Sight & Sound Theatre for "**JOSHUA.**" From the banks of the Jordan River to the towering walls of Jericho, **JOSHUA** is a miraculous adventure for the whole family. Journey alongside the people of Israel as they navigate their new-found freedom in an unforgiving wilderness. When Joshua is called to replace Moses as their faithful leader, tensions mount in the midst of dwindling supplies and approaching armies. With one last fortified city standing between the Israelites and the Promised Land, unexpected help emerges from behind enemy lines and Joshua's trust in God's plan is put to the ultimate test. Smorgasbord dinner at **HERSHEY FARM RESTAURANT.**

Day 3: Step inside the world of old-fashioned craftsmanship at **SELTZER'S SMOKEHOUSE** in Palmyra, PA. Enjoy a guided tour of this fourth-generation, family-run smokehouse, where you'll learn how their famous meats are made using traditional Pennsylvania Dutch recipes and slow, hardwood smoking methods. Watch the process up close, discover the rich history behind this local favorite, and sample the distinct, savory flavor that makes Seltzer's a true regional treasure. A delicious and educational experience you won't forget!

COST: \$699 pp double / triple
\$849 pp single Based on 40

Includes: Deluxe motorcoach, 2 nights hotel, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, sightseeing & admissions as per itinerary, Friendship Tours Escort, Driver & Tour Director Gratuity

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DEPARTURE: 1. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 138 Candlewood Lake Rd, Brookfield
2. St. Marianne Cope Parish, 340 Hudson St, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, NY

DEPOSIT: \$150 pp by May 6, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT: June 17, 2026

CHECKS PAYABLE & MAILED TO: Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys Church
138 Candlewood Lake Rd, Brookfield, CT 06804

FOR RESERVATIONS: Mary Ellen Tiernan 845-600-5425

CANCELLATION POLICY: If a passenger cancels from deposit to June 24, 2026 fee of \$50 pp; June 25 to July 22, 2026 fee of \$150 pp; no refunds if cancelled on July 23, 2026 or later unless a substitute is provided.

Trip Protection Coverage is strongly recommended. Trip Protection offers coverage for Cancellation for covered medical reasons, Interruption, Emergency Medical, Travel Delay, & more.

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SAVE THE DATE!

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

TAG SALE

is coming soon!!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 16th
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.!

Follow the E-News for more information!



Save the Date

MOTHER DAUGHTER
Tea Party



Sunday, May 31
after 11 a.m. Mass

Cost is \$5 per person
(Grandmas, Aunts,
Godmothers also welcome!)

More information to follow

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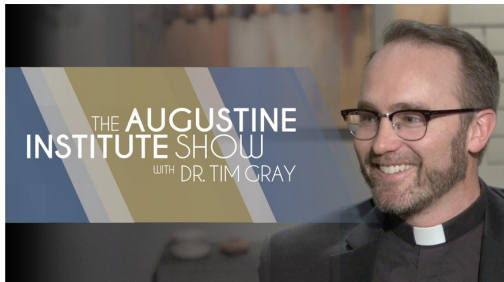
This Week on Formed

Week of April 05, 2026



What Catholics Believe About the Resurrection: Was Jesus a Ghost?

Join Dr. Michael Barber as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Did the Resurrection actually happen? Was Jesus a ghost when he appeared to the apostles? And what's the deal with the Easter Bunny?



Easter and the Resurrection | The Augustine Institute Show

Alleluia! He is Risen! Join Fr. Brian Larkin, Pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Denver, Colorado, as he discusses the Resurrection and the Easter season with Dr. Tim Gray on the Augustine Institute Show.



The Resurrection

In this episode, Mark Hartfiel and other experts unpack the mystery of the Resurrection, going back to the historical places where these world-changing event happened.

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Serving the Spiritual Needs of Grieving Parents

Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously.

Emmaus is a ministry for parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago.

Please join us. All are welcome.

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents One-Day Spiritual Retreat

**Sponsored by the Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT
At St. Philip Church**

1 Father Conlon Place, Norwalk, Connecticut

Saturday, April 18, 2026

9:30am – 7:30pm

For more information or to register:

Call: Carolyn Killian at 203-404-0023

carolyn.killian@ctcemeteries.org

<https://www.emfgp.org/events/04-18-26-norwalk-diocese-of-bridgeport-ct-one-day-retreat/>

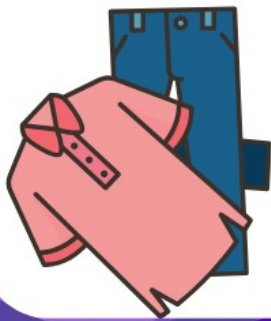
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Help CREW - Leaders for Mary Fundraise!

Fill A Bag for 40 days!

This Lent, every day for 40 days find a piece of clothing you no longer wear and place it in a black trash bag! Then bring it to us on the following day:

**April 11, 2026
8:00am - 11:00am
St. Joseph Church
376 Main St, Danbury, CT 06810**



For more information email:
info@crewlfm.org



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To sign up, visit stmarguerite.org and click on the “Donate” tab. **Thank you for your support!**

Donor Benefits:

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- * **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.
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