

**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

April 4/5: \$8,131.00
OLG: \$5,536.00
Easter Special Gift: \$3,529.00

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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E-News

12 APRIL 2026 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our Sodality Group invites the women of the parish to **Knotted Rosaries Night** on Monday, May 4th at 6 pm in Room 1. Rosaries are MRI safe and donated to Danbury Hospital, St. Vincent's, and Sisters of Life.

A **Blood Drive**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held in the Hall on Friday, May 8th, 8 am-1 pm. Call 1.800.733.2767 or visit redcrossblood.org (code: SMBCKOC) to schedule an appointment.

Registration for 2026-27 **Faith Formation** classes is open. 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 resaleable condition for donation in early May. More details available in next week's E-News.

What is OCIA? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a journey of faith. Through the OCIA process, there is preparation for receiving the sacraments of full initiation into the Church: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. For information, email Mary Ellen Tiernan at metiernan@stmarguerite.org.

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.

Forgot your offertory envelope? Blank envelopes are always available on the tables at the entrances to the church next to the printed copies of E-News.

The **extended version of our E-News** is emailed every Friday morning. It is also available on the home page of our website, stmarguerite.org, and by subscribing at office@stmarguerite.org.

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.

The Bishop's Scholarship Fund provides critical tuition assistance through Foundations in Education, helping families in need access our Diocesan Catholic elementary schools. Each year, nearly \$3 million in scholarships supports more than 1,100 students, opening doors to faith-filled education and brighter futures. Through the Annual Bishop's Appeal, \$700,000 is directed to this effort, benefiting students in every Diocesan Catholic elementary school. Last year, more than 2,300 students applied for assistance, with demonstrated need exceeding \$7 million. Your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal makes a lasting difference—strengthening families, nurturing faith, and ensuring that the life-changing gift of a Catholic education remains available to all who seek it.

To participate in the Bishop's Appeal, please visit 2026BishopsAppeal.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Apr 13: *St Martin I*

8:30 +Ronald Pasquarella by Dick and Joyce Pasquarella

Tues, Apr 14

8:30 +Joseph McCabe and +Sheila Goehrke by McCabe family

Wed, Apr 15

8:30 +Linda Corona by St Matthew Society

Thurs, Apr 16

8:30 +Caterina Fata by Fata family

Fri, Apr 17

8:30 +Rev Thomas H Moriarty and Sister Joan Brennan, CND by Father Jordan

Sat, Apr 18

4:30 +Mary Murphy by Barbara Murphy

Sun, Apr 19: *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:30 +Kathy Clark by Cann family
11:00 +Gloria Pennacchia by Clare and Sal Pennino;
and +Jim Morasco by his wife, Paula
5:00 +Eva, +Valmont, and +Paul Bernier by family

April 12-19: Our **Altar Candles** are for +Adam Cordova by Pat DeKoskie.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Mon, April 13
6:00 pm - Sodality Meeting

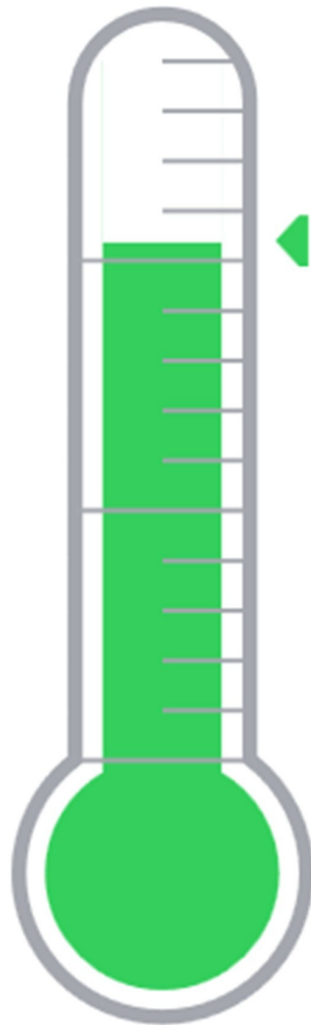
Tues, April 14
9:15 am - Legion of Mary

10:00 am -
Prayer Shawl / Rosary Making

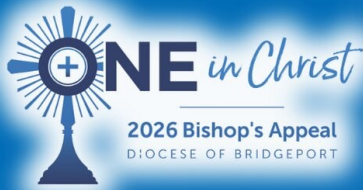
2026 BISHOP'S APPEAL

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

**GOAL
\$65,700**



**Pledged
\$48,392**



SUPPORTING THE BISHOP'S APPEAL UNITES US AS ONE IN CHRIST!

The Bishop's Appeal invites us to live out "The One," our diocesan vision of spiritual and pastoral renewal. United as One in Christ, we support ministries that accompany others in faith, reflect truth, beauty and goodness and serve those in need throughout Fairfield County.

Your generosity helps the Diocese to:

- **Form priests, deacons, and laity** to preach, lead, and evangelize more effectively
- **Provide tuition assistance** in partnership with Foundations in Education for families seeking a Catholic education
- **Provide faith formation** for all our diocesan communities
- **Offer pastoral care** to the isolated, grieving, and ill
- **Assist individuals and families** in crisis through Catholic Charities and other outreach programs
- **Provide tuition assistance** in partnership with Foundations in Education for families seeking a Catholic education.

Your contribution is a living sign of our unity and strengthens the mission of the Church. Gifts may be made using your parish's pledge materials or online.

As we continue our journey in life, may we walk One in Christ, accompanying one another and those most in need. Be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones.

MAKE A GIFT TODAY: 2026BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG





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!



**American
Red Cross**



In Service to One, In Service to All.

Join us in answering the call to help others—give blood!

**Blood Drive Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus**

**St. Marguerite
Bourgeoys Church**

Held in the Hall
138 Candlewood Lake Rd.
Brookfield, CT 06804

**Friday, May 8, 2026
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or
visit RedCrossBlood.org and
enter: SMBCKOC to schedule an appointment.



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Join us for a

Night of Knotted Rosaries

Monday, May 4th at 6 p.m. in Room 1

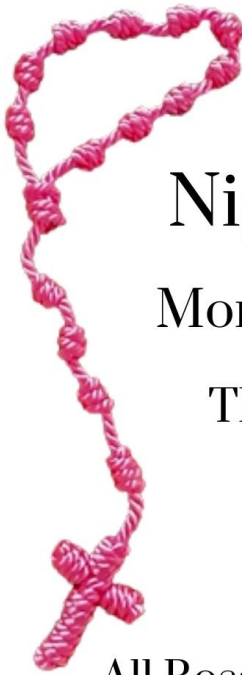
The St. Marguerite Ladies' Sodality
invites all ladies of the parish to
come and learn how to
make knotted rosaries

All Rosaries made are made in conjunction with
Kennedy's Rosary Project. These MRI safe Rosaries
are donated to Danbury Hospital, St. Vincent's
Medical Center, and Sisters of Life.

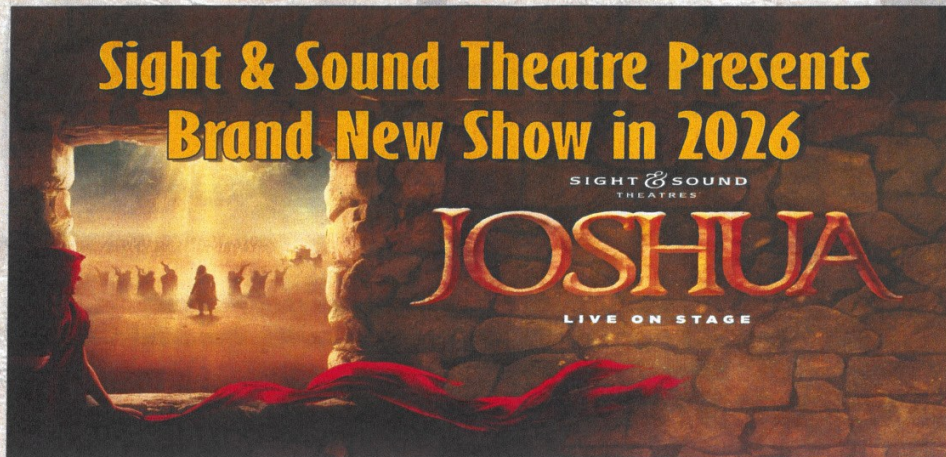
All materials and instruction provided



Contact Carmela Mangini at cmangini@snet.net
with any questions



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

MOTHER DAUGHTER
Tea Party



Sunday, May 31
after 11 a.m. Mass

Cost is \$5 per person
(Grandmas, Aunts,
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More information to follow

Hosted by the St. Marguerite Ladies' Sodality



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This Week on Formed

Week of April 12, 2026



Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Consider praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in a new way with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This video on Formed includes breathtaking footage of Catholics across the world performing works of mercy and asking God to have mercy on us.



Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

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**St Marguerite Bourgeoys Church
BROOKFIELD, CT**

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For questions, email us at office@stmarguerite.org

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HELP TO SECURE OUR FUTURE!**

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:

- * **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.



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