

# **Christ the Servant Catholic Church**

*Serving God from your Heart*

No one has  
greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life  
for one's friends.

JOHN 15:13

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF  
EASTER

MAY 9, 2021

## **Mother's Day Prayer**

Glorious and wonderful God, you so loved us that you sent the Incarnate Word, Jesus, to live among us. In His human existence, you felt as we do a mother's love, a mother's disapproval, and a mother's sorrow.

Bless and keep all mothers safe this day and every day. Bless those mothers and grandmothers of our memory who are now at rest in you.

Grant a special grace to those women who are the mother to foster children, adoptive children, or those who provide a mother's touch to children who are not their own. Strengthen those who mother without the support of a husband. Heal mothers' hearts hurt by broken relationships with their children. Comfort all mothers who mourn a deceased child.

Please God, give every mother the grace she needs to live out this most holy calling. Give them joy and peace in you. We ask all this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Our Mission**

Christ the Servant Parish is a welcoming Catholic faith community gathered together to gratefully share and live the Eucharist, the inspiration of the Gospel, the presence of the Holy Spirit, and to follow Christ's example in service of others.

Pope Francis' Tweet for the Week  
The saints show us that we can praise God always, in good times and in bad, because He is the faithful friend, and his love never fails.

Please continue to check our parish website [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org), and facebook, for up to date information about what we are able to offer to help keep our community connected.

As long as the number allowed at mass is restricted, Fr. Bob will be recording a mass, and it will be posted by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.



## CTS Capital Contribution Challenge

**As of May 4, 232 of 768 registered parishioners (30.2%) have responded, including some people who are not officially registered, but do support Christ the Servant.**



Welcome to our parish family:

**Don & Sue N**  
67th Place, Downers Grove

If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available on our parish website ([www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org)) as the first question in the FAQs section, and each weekend on the table in the narthex. Ask the check-in team for a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!



nary complications in newly diagnosed COVID-19 patients who do not require hospital admission. Participants are assigned to take either a placebo, aspirin, or a low or therapeutic dose of the blood thinner apixaban. (Compensation offered.)

To obtain more information about this opportunity, please contact Kathy Sanders at **630-626-8180** or email [ksandersresearch@gmail.com](mailto:ksandersresearch@gmail.com). All you have to do to sign up is to contact Kathy. You will not have to leave your home for any testing.

## Outpatient Trial Opportunity

Would you like to participate in a clinical trial to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of varying types of blood thinners to treat adults diagnosed with COVID-19?

This ACTIV-4 outpatient trial investigates whether anticoagulants or antithrombotic therapy can reduce life-threatening cardiovascular or pulmo-

Join the ACTIV-4b study

Be a part of the fight  
against COVID-19



Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com).  
Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar.

**Over 55 Ladies Club**

**We're back!** To participate, be sure to call one of the two ladies listed below by Monday the 10th.

**Ladies Lunch Out**

Tuesday, May 11, 1:30 PM at  
7231 Lemont Rd, Downers Grove



(it used to be Fuddrucker's)

You must call Andie W  
or Tina F.

New members welcome!

## Sacramental Information

**RITES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION** Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, the celebration of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation are invited to contact the parish office.

**BAPTISM OF INFANTS** Baptisms are usually celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:30 AM. A Baptism Preparation Class must be attended if you are planning your first child's baptism or if three years have passed since your last child was baptized. Call the Parish Office to register and to check whether adjustments have been made to the schedule.

**MARRIAGE** Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months in advance by contacting the Parish Office to set the date and reserve the church. Reserve the church before you reserve the reception hall.

**HOLY ORDERS:** Are you thinking of becoming a priest or religious? Talk with Fr. Bob or email Fr. Steven Borello [vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org).

**RECONCILIATION** Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or by appointment with Fr. Bob.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK** Please contact the parish office for a visit from a priest when sickness occurs or death is imminent for the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. To arrange for Communion to be brought to the sick/homebound members of the parish community, call Deacon Tom F.

**FUNERALS** Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

**Baptism Preparation Class: Thursday, June 3, 7:00 PM**

**2021 Catholic Ministries****Annual Appeal**

**as of 5/2/21**



**Thank you for your generous support of the Shining the Light of Christ**

**2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal.**

If you would like to make your pledge/payment online, visit [jolietdiocesapeal.org](http://jolietdiocesapeal.org) or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949.

2021 GOAL \$40,700 AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$40,510

AMOUNT PAID: \$33,850 REMAINING BALANCE: \$6,660

DONORS THIS YEAR: 190 (26 less than last year)

*Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!*

## Creation Care Corner

*Celebrating the Anniversary of Pope Francis' transformational encyclical, Laudato Si'*

### "Care for Creation" and *Laudato Si'* (Part 2)

- The Pope's encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, challenges us to rethink our relationship with nature.
- He reframes the environmental dialogue from a political discussion into language of faith. Creation, the natural world around us and all living things in it, is recognized as a precious gift from God to be revered by all.
- Our pervasive "throwaway" culture, combined with deforestation, and massive industrial and agricultural pollution is seriously degrading the earth, our common home.
- Francis also points out the solid scientific consensus that human activity is the main contributor to a warming climate and warns of a worsening crisis. Without change, additional harmful sea level rise, droughts, water shortages and negatively impacted crop yields are expected.
- Since the livelihoods of the poor will be most impacted, it becomes a moral imperative to take action.
- Pope Francis urges us to take action to mitigate these outcomes by working to protect our common home and by eliminating wastefulness in our lives.

### Hotline Numbers for Help

Family Shelter Service Domestic Abuse	630-469-5650
National Domestic Abuse Hotline	800-799-SAFE
Illinois Adult Protective Services	866-800-1409
Will County Crisis Line	815-722-3344
Mayslake Ministries	630-852-9000
Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator	815-263-6467
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270

## Religious Formation

### Religious Formation Classes

In person classes are done for the year. Your child is encouraged to complete any classes that are not done on the Flipgrid. The Flipgrid links and your child's password for their Flipgrid will remain accessible until July 31.

Have a great summer everyone! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share our faith and love of God with your children. It is always a great blessing to get to work with such wonderful families during the school year. Thank you, parents, for your perseverance and with home education and your ability to be flexible during this trying time. May God bless you with a joyful summer.

A big thank you to all of our young artists who participate in the RF Spring Art Show and to all who stopped by to support the kids.



### Confirmation Class



Christ the Servant's Confirmandi will be Confirmed by Bishop Perry from the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 13 at 7:00 pm. Please keep them in your prayers that they truly be open to receiving all that God wishes to bestow on them in the Sacrament of Confirmation and that their hearts be set on fire with the love of the Holy Spirit.



### Coming June 28-30! Treasured VBS: Discovering you're priceless to God.

A summer kids' event called Treasured VBS will be hosted at Christ the Servant

from June 28 to 30. At Treasured, kids discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems, or gold – it's them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Kids at Treasured VBS will join a mission project effort to provide mosquito nets for draping over beds to protect kids while they sleep. The nets will be distributed all over the world—wherever mosquitoes may carry malaria.

Treasured is for kids from 5 to 9 and will run from 9:30 to 11:45 each day. Cost to participate is \$30. For more info, call Christine at 630-629-0724.



### Calling all high schoolers:

### Let's have some fun!



Christ the Servant is currently planning their Summer Youth Program and we want your input! We are sending out an email survey, parents please watch your email for your high schoolers survey. Contact Christine

Goba at cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770 for more information.

### We now have a subscription to FORMED!

FORMED.org is a premier on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, ebooks, and talks – and it's free for every parishioner. Check out the link sign up and enjoy this Catholic streaming service. It's easy and free to start enjoying FORMED!

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### PICK OF THE WEEK

May 9, 2021

### WATCH

#### FATIMA GEMS

Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.



### FORMED LIVE!

#### Feast of the Ascension

May 21st, 2020

### FORMED LIVE: FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Join Drs. Tim Gray and Ben Akers as they discuss the feast of the Ascension! In this video, these two scholars provide powerful insights about the significance of the number 40, Jesus' conquest as the new Joshua, and the Kingship of Christ!

### LISTEN

#### REAL WOMANHOOD BY LISA COTTER

What does it mean to be a real woman in today's culture? Join Lisa Cotter in her talk Real Womanhood, as she draws on modern-day saints, St. John Paul II to define what it means to be an authentic woman.

#### REAL WOMANHOOD LISA COTTER



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# Easter Décor

**The beauty of the décor for the Easter season would not have been possible without the generosity of many people, ESPECIALLY JoAnn Welton. JoAnn designed the beautiful, liturgically correct décor, made sure all the materials were ordered, cleaned, and prepared in a timely manner. She led the volunteers who helped with the Palm Sunday and several changes needed for Holy Week, and has continued her efforts to keep the worship space beautiful and prayerful. We also thank those who contributed, as we remember family and friends with love: (sorted by last name of those being remembered)**

Mary Alvarez by T family  
 Feliza Aranillo by Dan & Elaine T & family  
 Marilou Archua by R family  
 Joseph Patrick Bacani by Leoncio & Marlene B  
 Mike Baker by Cathy B  
 Bill & Virginia Barnes by Mary K  
 Bryant Boyer-Killion by Greg & Adrienne A  
 Ray Bronke by Mike M  
 Donna Buonamici by Mary K  
 Cimiglia & Stillo families by Sonny & Emily S  
 Sylvia A. Cordes by Vic C  
 Crimer/Murphy/Klauke family by Jerry & Patti C  
 Thomas & Dorothy Czyz by Susan C  
 D'Amico & Wachowski families by Sharon D  
 RoseMary DiVincenzo by Vince D  
 Tommy Dongarra by Jim & Jan D  
 Walter Dziedzic by Joel D family  
 Clifford Feltz by Greg & Cheryl F  
 Santiago Figueroa by J family  
 James Fleming by Ed & Fran F  
 Robert Gamble by Rose G  
 Bob & Mary Ann Gannon by Bill & Alexis G  
 Carlo & Lucy Giampapa by Mary Ann G  
 Bob & Blanche Grimes by Greg & Cheryl F  
 Leo Gross by Pat G  
 Sheila Guenzer by Daniel & Lisa K  
 Mr. & Mrs. L Guglielmo by Mike M  
 Pat & Ann Guglielmo by Mike M  
 Bob Haas by Elena H  
 Carmen Haas by Elena H  
 Ginny & Bill Haas by Elena H  
 Donald & Phyllis Held by Susan C  
 Heneghan, Ross & Lally families by R family  
 Regina Hlavka by Barbara S  
 deceased members of Jackson & Derek families by Steve & Karen J  
 Gerald Johnson by family  
 John & Elaine Kaspryzk by Greg & Mary P  
 Irena Kedzior by Steve & Irene K  
 Joyce Kidwell by Steve & Irene K  
 David Knippen by Daniel & Lisa K  
 Wayne Kocinski by J K  
 Rino LaPaglia by Mr. & Mrs. L  
 Art & Stell LaRoque by Mike M  
 Jeanette Magda by Brian & Cathi L  
 James & Margaret Magee by Mike M  
 Jim Magee by Mike M  
 Marie Magee by Mike M  
 Magner family by Mary Anne O  
 Eleanor Marek by Robert & Pamela M  
 Theresa & Timothy McIlvain, Jr by Timothy M. M

John & Esther Michalek by family  
 Estelle Mizek by Robert & Pamela M  
 Ida & Bob Moravecek by M family  
 Jim O'Brien by Mary Anne O  
 O'Brien family by Mary Anne O  
 Carol Paul by Donald P  
 Donald Plautz by Bill & Alexis G  
 Rudy & Lorraine Porod by Greg & Mary P  
 deceased family members of R family by Bob & Barbara R  
 Irene Redmann by Mike M  
 Joseph Riedl, Sr by Lorraine R  
 Ruff family by Donna M  
 Mike Salemme by Mike M  
 Ben & Rose Serrano by Dan & Elaine T & family  
 Stanton & Prohaska families by M/M D. P  
 Stella Szymanski by Janet S  
 Eleanor Weber by Janet S  
 Filomena & Wladyslaw Ziminski by Joseph & Irene G

Other people being remembered:

Irine K  
 John K  
 Dennis M  
 Louis M

Donations offered by:  
 F family  
 Jose & Melanie S

Again, a huge *thank you* to all who support the many ministries of Christ the Servant Church.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### TABERNACLE LIGHT

Tim Gontarz & Judy Wolf

### MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, May 8

4:45 PM Richard Peslak, *r. Ed & Ann Polan*  
 Pauline Dennis, *r. Pat & Debi Savage*  
 Joseph Antiporek, Jr, *r. Antiporek family*

#### Sunday, May 9

8:30 AM Josephine Borkowski, *r. Ciolek family*  
 Freda Klacza, *r. Ciolek family*  
 Douglas Townsend, *r. family*  
 10:00 AM Betty Peterek, *r. Ed & Fran Fleming*  
 Beth Ann Januska, *r. Darlene Januska & family*  
 Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy  
 Diomedes Ragasa, *r. Ed & Fran Fleming*  
 People of the Parish

#### Monday, May 10

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Tuesday, May 11

8:30 AM Diana Kowalski, *r. Kathryn Kowalski*

#### Wednesday, May 12

8:30 AM Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy

#### Thursday, May 13

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Friday, May 14—Communion Service or Mass

8:30 AM

#### Saturday, May 15

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*  
 Gerald Johnson, *r. family*  
 Ginny Haas, *r. Elena Haas*  
 Tommy Dongarra, *r. family*  
 People of the Parish

#### Sunday, May 16

8:30 AM People of the Parish  
 10:00 AM Kelly Tiani, Sp. Int., *r. Virginia DiGiacomo*



## We pray for the Sick

Greg Basta	Jean Henry	Loilit Ranchero
Ken Bastuga	Eleanor Jahn	Mike Renth
Dave Billings	Rayna Januska	Dick Rosenbeck
Joan Billings	Jackie Marquis Jarvis	John Rossi
Sharon Bhaskar	Jeanne Jordan	Jim Sanders
Pat Chuchla	Derek Kaunelis	Rita Sisko
Bob Cleary	Barb Kosiek	Dan Szymanski
Mari Cleary	S.Suzanne Lesniewski	Frank Tiesenga
Patti Crimer	Patti Luchetti	Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Dick DuSatko	Cathy Magee	Shirley Tomaeno
Faith Ann Fialek	Joyce Maples	Hanh Truong
Lauren Fields	Chuck Neal	Mary Vanderplow
Phil Florek	Kelsey Neal	Bill Wagner
John M. Foresman	Anthony Nowak	Joan Zaitlen
Michael Harris	Linda Pennock	
Carol Hendrich	Alie Phillips	

*Names remain on this list approximately three months, unless specifically requested otherwise. To update the list, call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770 or email corinne@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.*

## We pray for the Deceased



**Dr. Isabelo Ongtengco**  
*(brother of Rafael Ongtengco)*

## We pray for those who Serve

**Nolan Bowers**, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers

**Christopher Durkovic**, grandson of Joan Kurtz

**Avery Jackson**, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson

**Ben Jalove**, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove

**Brock Ketcham**, cousin of Jean Durran

**Kade Ketcham**, cousin of Jean Durran

**Jim Kikilas**, godson of Pat & Debi Savage

**Patrick Pendergast**, son of Dave & Toni Pendergast

**Joshua Plucinski**, grandson of Joan Kurtz

**Dan Ward**, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward

*If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask for God's blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return safely home, so that we may also rejoice with you.*

## Bible Readings—May 9-May 16

**SUNDAY:** Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 /  
 Jn 15:9-17

**MONDAY:** Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26-16:4a

**TUESDAY:** Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11

**WEDNESDAY:** Acts 17:15,22-18:1 / Jn 16:12-15

**THURSDAY:** Acts 18:1-8 / Jn 16:16-20

**FRIDAY:** Acts 1:15-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17

**SATURDAY:** Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28

**SUNDAY:** Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 or  
 Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7,11-13 / Mk 16:15-20

