

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.

DECEMBER 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

Whoever has two cloaks should share
with the person who has none.
And whoever has food should do likewise.

~ Luke 3:11

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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 future will be prosperous only if it is reconciled with those who are the weakest. When we reject the poor, we reject peace. History teaches us that narrow self-interest and nationalism lead to disastrous consequences.

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

At this time, we continue to record the mass for people who are not able to make it to church, posting it by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel [christtheservant](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1t3t3t3t3t3t3t3t3t3t3t).



A Good New Year's Resolution:
Save Lives
The Knights of Columbus are
Sponsoring a



Saturday, January 8th
From 7:30 AM to Noon
In the Activity Center
At St. Scholastica Church in
Woodridge

Walk-ins are welcome. If you wish to make an appointment, contact Versiti Blood Centers at 1-800-7TO-GIVE or www.Versiti.org/IL. OR email wcschiffer@comcast.net and state the time you will arrive.

We donate to save lives. Each donation can save up to three lives. You will need an I.D. and please wear a mask.



December 18/19: normal schedule

Friday, December 24: Christmas Eve: no morning service. Masses:
4:00 pm (Children)
10:00 pm

Saturday, December 25: Christmas Day:
10:00 am mass
(no 4:45 pm mass on 12/25)

Sunday, December 26: Holy Family
8:30 am and 10:00 am mass

Friday, December 31: Mary, Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation
4:45 pm only

Saturday, January 1: NO Holy Day morning mass
4:45 pm: **Epiphany**

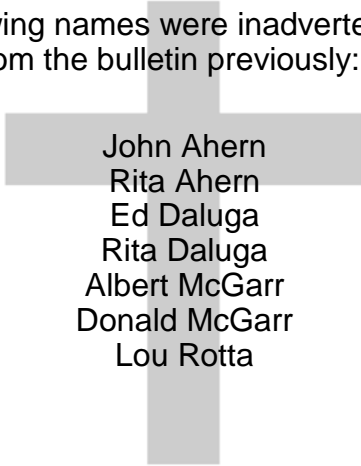
Sunday, January 2: Epiphany
8:30 am and 10:00 am mass



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

Our Beloved Dead

The following names were inadvertently omitted from the bulletin previously:



John Ahern
Rita Ahern
Ed Daluga
Rita Daluga
Albert McGarr
Donald McGarr
Lou Rotta

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.

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, Jan 6, 7:00 PM

Join the diocesan mission trip to the Navajo Nation in June

The Diocese of Joliet will resume its U.S. mission program in June with a two-week trip to the Navajo Nation located near Chinle, Arizona.

The June 4-17 trip will focus on construction projects for residents of the reservation, with volunteers helping with such jobs as framing a house, tearing down dilapidated buildings, repairing fencing, etc.

"It's not just going to work for the people, but to be with them and experience their life and culture," said diocesan missions coordinator Bruce Carlson.

The diocese has organized mission trips to the reservation since 2002, but paused the annual expeditions during the past two years because of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Informational meetings on the trip will be held on Jan. 4 and 12 at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, Illinois. For more information, email bcarlson@dioceseofjoliet.org or call 815-221-6256.

Save the Date!

Mr. Hassan Chaudhry will be presenting on
Asian Americans and the Model Minority Myth

Monday, January 10th at 7 PM
at Christ the Servant Church.
More details in the upcoming weeks.

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 News

Class times:

Tuesday 4:30-5:45 Grades 1-5 & 8

Tuesday 6:00-7:15 Grade 6

Wednesday 6:00-7:15 Grades 1,5-8

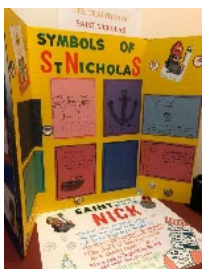
Remote non-Zoom option (any day of the week)



Mark Your Calendar for Religious Formation's Christmas Program "Christmas Traditions" that will be held on

Tuesday, December 14th at 7:00pm.

Parents are invited to join their children for the RF Christmas Celebration "CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS" on Tuesday, December 14 at 7:00 pm. Each class will display a project that they have made explaining a different Christmas tradition in the church that they have learned about in class. Families are also invited to make a display or poster show one of their own special Christmas traditions. There will be hospitality and lots of fun.



Ideas to make the most of this Advent for Kids and Families on FORMED A Week Full of Family Advent Activities

Christmas with Bernadette



Bernadette and her family are back! With Christmas approaching, Bernadette wants to give everyone gifts. But it's so hard with only the pocket change of a seven-year-old. And Mama's about to have a new baby, which is exciting, but seems to wear her out. Will everything at home at school smooth out to give

Bernadette and her family a beautiful and blessed Christmas? <https://watch.formed.org/christmas-with-bernadette-by-emily-ortega>

O Holy Night, The King is Born: What Christmas Is About

Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation of the birth of God's Son! Witness the moving submission of Mary, Joseph, and others as they make way for our Savior. "The Christmas Story"—an animated presentation of the many wonderful events that led up to the birth of Jesus. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/o-holy-night-the-king-is-born-what-christmas-is-about>



SUN 12 Gaudete Sunday. Light the pink Advent candle. This candle is a symbol of joy because we are at the midpoint of Advent. Pray about things that make you joyful and the ways you bring joy to others. Today at Mass, notice whether the priest will be wearing pink vestments! **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** Mary made flowers appear as proof of her apparition. Send real flowers or a drawn bouquet to someone you know.



MON 13 Read Matthew 2:1–12 as a family and learn about the Magi who followed the star to find Jesus after his birth. Go outside with your family to-night and do some stargazing. Pray about the beautiful world that God has created for us.

TUE 14 Bring your whole family to a night of fun and learning at CTS church for RF Christmas Traditions.

WED 15 Gather as a family around the Christmas tree or the Advent wreath and pray a prayer of blessing.

THUR 16 Wisdom of our God Most High! Today begins the O Antiphons. These are special prayers as the birth of Jesus draws closer. Pray to God about areas of your life where you need the gift of wisdom to grow.

FRI 17 O Leader of the House of Israel! Pray for help to follow Jesus' leadership. Demonstrate good leadership to younger classmates and siblings.

SAT 18 O Root of Jesse's Stem! Jesse and King David were Jesus' ancestors. Send Christmas cards to family and friends

Like to see more pictures of what Religious Formation is up to?
Check out the Christ the Servant Religious Formation Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/Christ-the-Servant-Religious-Formation>

"Like" us!

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

December 14 All Classes Christmas Traditions
Family Event 7:00-8:30

(Families are asked to share displays or food from their own personal Christmas traditions. It is a night of sharing with the whole parish. There will be a few surprises and even a couple of heavenly and biblical characters popping up throughout the festivities.)

December 15-29 Christmas Break

December 24 Christmas Eve Children's Liturgy
(Hosted by All Grades)

January 4-5 Classes (Jan 7 new remote classes post)



Three Recent Recipients of our CCHD Collection

We Grow Dreams is a nonprofit greenhouse and landscaping service in West Chicago. They offer training and jobs to people with physical and mental disabilities, beginning while they are still in high school. The training and employment set these individuals on a path to a more independent and fulfilling life. www.wegrowdreams.org

Jordan River Farm is a service retreat center and farm of the Diocese of Joliet's Laudato Si' Ministries. They seek to serve the poor through a community garden with free food for people in the Hopkins Park, IL area. <https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/humandignity/subsectioncontent.php?secid=7&subsecid=11>

The **National Hook-Up of Black Women in Joliet** operates many services to help community members in low-income situations. They especially advocate for women and families and help them develop skills that allow them to flourish. <https://www.nhbwjoliet.com/>

Job Opportunities

St. Scholastica Parish Business Manager

St. Scholastica Parish is looking for a person to do the administrative functions of the parish; and has responsibility for parish accounting and finances, property management, personnel; supervises maintenance and church support staff; communicates and collaborates with the pastor, staff, and volunteers. Must have experience handling financial and business transactions. Experience in budget development, control, analysis, and reporting required. Accounting experience preferred. To view a full job description, visit: <https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>. Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to the Business Manager, Lianda Valentine at lvalentine@stscholasticaparish.org.

Full-time Parish Accountant – Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Naperville, IL

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Naperville is seeking to hire a full-time Parish Accountant. The parish accountant provides day to day accounting services which supports both the parish and school. The candidate must have excellent knowledge of accounting principles and internal controls and must have effective communication skills and the ability to work and partner with others. Must have a bachelor's degree with an accounting major and at least 8 years of progressive accounting experience, non-profit experience a plus. Please send a resume and cover letter to: financemanager@sspeterandpaul.net

Part-time Custodial/Maintenance - St. Pius X Parish, Lombard, IL

St. Pius X Parish in Lombard is seeking a part-time custodial/maintenance person. This is a non-benefited position of approximately 30 hours per week (must be flexible for the hours). Must have a skill set knowledge of electrical and plumbing for small repairs. Able to lift at least 40 lbs. Position requires a team-player attitude, attention to detail, and confidentiality. Call Sallie at 630-627-4526 X219 for further information.



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With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation.

— Isaiah 12:3

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Bob Szykowny (from Jan Szykowny)

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 11

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*
Gerald Johnson, *r. family*
Stanley A Deron, *r. Barry Deron*
People of the Parish

Sunday, December 12

8:30 AM Linda Marczewski, *r. Paul & Lisa Daly*
10:00 AM Ann Polan, *r. Water Tower Book Club*

Monday, December 13

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, December 14

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 15

8:30 AM Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy

Thursday, December 16

8:30 AM Almaia Custodio, Sp. Int, *r. Zenaida Cruz*

Friday, December 17

8:30 AM

Saturday, December 18

4:45 PM Bruce A. Deron, *r. Barry Deron*
Dad Kolodziej, *r. Helene Peslak*
Arnulfo (Noli) & Leonila (Nila) Harting, *r. Milrose Harting*

Sunday, December 19

8:30 AM Bob Haas, *r. Elena Haas*
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Ann Polan, *r. Water Tower Book Club*
Jim O'Brien, *r. Mary Anne O'Brien*
Lorenza Murillo, *r. Roman & Lourdes Rodriguez*

*To request a mass, or the Tabernacle Light,
call the parish office at 630-910-0770.*



We pray for the Sick

Barbara Bayro	Michael Harris	Anthony Nowak
Nancy Becker	Carol Hendrich	Linda Pennock
Sharon Bhaskar	Rita Hogan	Alie Phillips
Jim Brabec	Remington Howard	John Pilizota
Fran Browne	Rayna Januska	Lolit Rancho
Clem Campbell	Philip Knurr	Dick Rosenbeck
Pat Chang	Jeanne Jordan	John Rossi
Scott Christensen	Barb Kosiek	Sonja Rudny
Roy Clavey	Bob Kraft	Jim Sanders
Vic Cordes	Karen Kripas	Cathy Spataro
Bryan Dillon	Joan Kurtz	Dan Szymanski
Bruce Fitch	Brian Labuta	Frank Tiesenga
John M. Foresman	Alan LeDuc	Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Dcn. Tom Fricke	S.Suzanne Lesniewski	Shirley Tomaeno
Mary Garba	Robert Losik	Trunzo family
Linda Gaunce	Christy Lucarelli	Michael Toro
Joann Germanie	Joyce Maples	Mary Vanderplow
Julie Grell	Jeff May	Bill Wagner
Don Gruszek	Chuck Neal	
Mary Pat Haas	Patricia Newby	

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 those who Serve

Nolan Bowers, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers
Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Chase Halik, son of Tim & Peggy Halik
Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson
Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove
Cole Jirgl, nephew of Corby & Sheri Schmitz
Brock Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran
Patrick Pendergast, son of Dave & Toni Pendergast
Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Raleigh Redinger, nephew of Mike Magee
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

**When the kindness and love
of God our Savior appeared,
he saved us.**

Titus 3:4-5, NIV

Bible Readings—Dec. 12-Dec. 19

SUNDAY: Zep 3:14-18a / Phil 4:4-7 / Lk 3:10-18

MONDAY: Nm 24:2-7,15-17a / Mt 21:23-27

TUESDAY: Zep 3:1-2,9-13 / Mt 21:28-32

WEDNESDAY: Is 45:6b-8,18,21c-25 / Lk 7:18b-23

THURSDAY: Is 54:1-10 / Lk 7:24-30

FRIDAY: Gn 49:2,8-10 / Mt 1:1-17

SATURDAY: Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25

SUNDAY: Mi 5:1-4a / Heb 10:5-10 / Lk 1:39-45

Office Hours & Staff

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday.....9:00 AM—4:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday through Thursday.....8:30 AM
 Friday Communion Service.....8:30 AM
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.
 Saturday.....4:45 PM
 Sunday.....8:30 and 10:00 AM
 Holy Days....consult bulletin or call

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment

Pastoral Staff

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Pat Savage, Administrative Assistant

Commission Chairpersons

Tom Swik, Pastoral Council Chair

Ed Koch, Administration/Finance

Position Open, Christian Service

Donna Ciolek, interim Parish Life Chair

Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation

Position Open, Worship

Calendar of Events

Retired Religious Collection Christmas Sharing Signups Manna Order Pickup

Sunday, December 12

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass



Monday, December 13

8:30 am—daily mass

Tuesday, December 14

8:30 am—daily mass

7:00 pm—RF Christmas Traditions Event

Wednesday, December 15

8:30 am—daily mass

Thursday, December 16

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—Yoga

Friday, December 17

8:30 am—daily mass

Saturday, December 18

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, December 19

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

11:00 am—Christmas decorating

Upcoming Events

Dec 24/25: Masses Christmas Eve, 4:00 pm & 10:00 pm (no 4:45pm on Dec 25.)

Dec 26: Mass 8:30 am & 10:00 am

Dec 31: Solemnity of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation. Dec 31 @ 4:45 pm **only**. (No morning mass on Saturday, January 1)

Parish Giving

From the perspective of eternity, time means very little. God always fulfills his promises, but we, whose perspective tends to be much more limited, usually need patience and faith to see them manifested. So it was when the world was waiting for its Savior, and so it is now, as we await His return.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2021-2022

Parish Expenses	\$ 7,700.00
Debt Payment	<u>2,600.00</u>
Total Needed	\$ 10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Dec 1-Dec 7:

Sunday 11/28	\$ 2,588.00
Sunday other forms	9,787.00
General Funds	1,190.00
Restricted use	2,310.00
Debt Reduction	<u>763.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 16,638.00

Congratulations, Christ the Servant!
Your generous donations have achieved the goal of \$220,000 for capital projects!!! Donations will continue to be accepted, and will be put into savings for future capital needs. THANK YOU!!!!

Differential this period:

Needed	\$ 10,300.00
Reported	16,638.00
Catch up this period:	\$ 6,338.00

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Thanksgiving	\$ 752.00
Campaign/Human Dev	10.00
Diocesan Cemeteries	110.00
Retired Religious	100.00

Debt to Diocese 11/30/2021 \$249,359
 Registered Households—781

God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!

Did you know... you can learn about various Christmas Traditions at the event at 7:00 pm on Tuesday the 14th. Dates for the Simbang Gabi novena of masses will be on display, among other things. See the poster in the narthex for the Simbang Gabi schedule.

Year End Giving.

Thank you to all who have helped support our parish this past year. It's been a rough year for many, and it's still going to take a while to recover. Your many generous gifts to our parish are an example of your faith and commitment to our parish community and the Lord.

saint snippets

Do not be distressed.
Am I not here who
am your mother?

Our Lady of Guadalupe

St. Juan Diego received visions of her in Mexico in 1531.
Her image miraculously appeared on his tilma.

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December 12