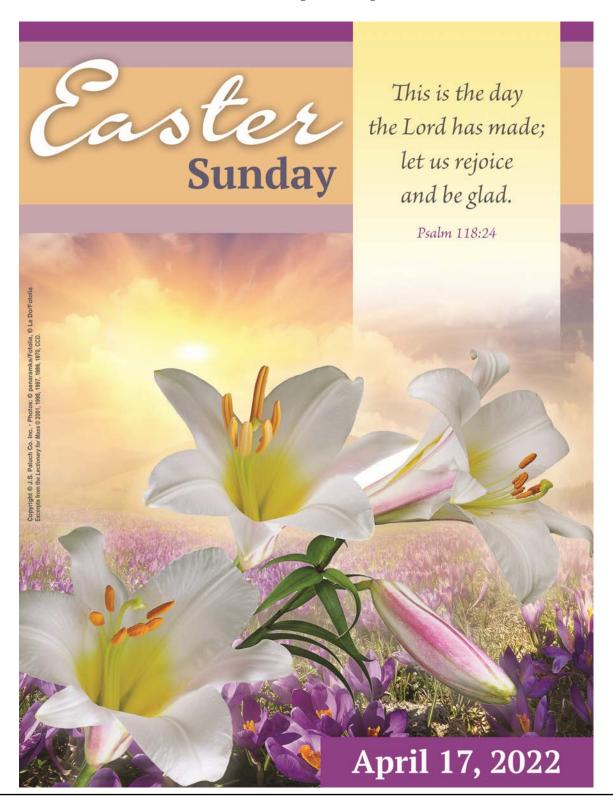
Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.



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.

communities governments and local Let us pray together for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, Pope Francis' Tweet for the Week supported adequately especially in the poorest countries. May they

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> 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.



Over 55 Ladies Club *To participate, be sure to call* the number listed below by Monday, April 25, 2022.

Ladies Lunch Out **Tuesday, April 26, 2022,** 1:30 PM at



7231 Lemont Road

You must call Cathy B to confirm your attendance.

New members welcome!

HOSPITALITY RETURNS!

We haven't been able to have hospitality after mass for over two years now, but it's making a comeback the weekend of April 30/May 1!

We do need help to make it happen, though. We need YOU!



To be able to offer this at all three masses, we need

people to help with one of several jobs-set up, serve, clean up, and bring treats.

Please help fill up the sign-in sheet that's on a table in the narthex. If the space fills up, put your name in the margins! We'd like to do this once a month, and lots of people are needed!

Next weekend, April 23-24, our diocese will take up a second collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. This appeal helps our brothers and sisters here in the United States who do not have access to basic pastoral services like Mass, the sacraments, and religious education. Through your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps these mission dioceses form vibrant faith communities and strengthens the Church at home.

Creation Care Corner



Laudato Si' and the Risen Christ

In the Encyclical, "Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home," Pope Francis encourages us to consider our Savior's relationship with all of Creation.

"The New Testament does not only tell us of the earthly Jesus and his tangible and loving relationship with the world. It also shows him risen and glorious, present throughout Creation by his universal Lordship: 'For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross' (Col 1:19-20). This leads us to direct our gaze to the end of time, when the Son will deliver all things to the Father, so that 'God may be everything to every one' (1 Cor 15:28). Thus, the creatures of this world no longer appear to us under merely natural guise because the Risen One is mysteriously holding them to himself and directing them towards fullness as their end. The very flowers of the field and the birds which his human eves contemplated and admired are now imbued with his radiant presence." (Laudato Si', #100)

He is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!

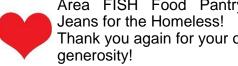
Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com. Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar. Easter Sunday Page 3

THANK YOU "Cash for Food" Donors!

Our latest "Cash for Food" Drive raised \$1301 in cash donations. Food drop-off donations were in excess of 350 pounds! The cash donations purchased

some much needed items requested by the food pantries. Cases of mac & cheese, beef stew, corned beef hash, chili, crackers, canned tuna, canned fruits and beef ravioli were distributed to the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove

Area FISH Food Pantry, and Blue Jeans for the Homeless! Thank you again for your overwhelming



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, May 5, 7:00 PM

Job Opportunities

BUSINESS MANAGER

Christ the Servant Church Full-time, benefitted position

The Business Manager is responsible for overseeing financial functions, desk-top publishing (Publisher), serve as resource to the Parish Pastoral Council and other commissions. Maintain record of Commission minutes, perform secretarial functions (mass cards.) answer phone, greet visitors, sacramental recordkeeping and notifications, parish calendar maintenance, scheduling of baptisms, weddings and funerals, order supplies, produce all-parish mailings, serve as computer and facilities resource, copyright reporting, scheduling of liturgical ministers (Ministry Scheduler Pro software), contact with vendors, and other services as needed. The ability to maintain confidentiality is required. The Business Manager reports to the Pastor. Submit cover letter and resume to FrBob@ctswoodridge.org.

BOOKKEEPER

Christ the Servant Church Part-time, non-benefitted position Approximately 10 hours per week

The Bookkeeper will be responsible for financial record-keeping and reporting, bill-paying, (ParishSoft software), payroll functions (Paylocity), pension reporting (Christian Brothers), Protecting God's Children compliance (Virtus, in collaboration with the Director of Religious Formation) and contributions data entry. The successful applicant will also be willing to help out in other clerical areas as needed. The ability to maintain confidentiality is required as well as experience in accounting. The bookkeeper reports to the Business Manager. Submit cover letter and resume to FrBob@ctswoodridge.org.



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 630-852-9000 Mayslake Ministries Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim **Assistance Coordinator** 815-263-6467 Waterleaf Women's Center 630-701-6270

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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)

If your child is not feeling well, they SHOULD NOT ATTEND formation sessions or parish activities.



Religious Formation Class resume Tuesday, April 19 and Wednesday April 20.

Confirmation Test Due

The Confirmation test needs to be completed and returned by April 19 or 20.



On April 19 or 20 all students who are preparing for Confirmation are asked to participate in a Confirmation Interview. If your child is unable to attend class on April 19 or 20 they will be asked to schedule a time to be interviewed outside of class time.

All Confirmation Projects and Paperwork are Due

All Confirmation paperwork is due or are pass due and should be turned in as soon as possible to be considered for Confirmation for this year. Please get them turned in to Christine Goba. Shields maybe turned in at the May 14 retreat.

Confirmation Date



Christ the Servant's
Confirmation Class will be
Confirmed by Bishop Hicks on
Friday, May 20 at 7:00 pm here
at Christ the Servant Church.

Please pray for our Confirmandi as they prepare to receive this most important Sacrament.

Religious Formation Spring Art Show

Parents we will be accepting your artwork for our exhibit now through April 21. The Art Show will be the weekend of April 23-24. Stop by after Mass to support our students' artful praise.



First Communion News



- Don't forget to turn in your blue Banners and Votive Candle Holders
- April 30th at 10:00 am First Communion practice
- May 7th at 11:00 am our First Communion class will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

Please keep our First Communion class in your prayers that they might truly appreciate the gift of this most wonderful Sacrament.

CRS Rice Bowls

It's time to collect our RF Lenten mission project Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls. If you have not already done so please bring your CRS Rice bowls to class on April 5 and 6 for collection.



When you give to CRS Rice Bowl, 75% of your donation supports the work of CRS around the world. The other 25% supports hunger and poverty relief efforts in our diocese.

TELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS

VBS is Coming June 20-24

Send your kids on a desert adventure! At Monumental VBS, kids celebrate God's greatness! Monumental is filled

with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Sciency-Fun Gizmos[™], teambuilding games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

April 19-20 Classes (Apr 22 new remote post) Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Show.

April 23-May 1 Spring RF Artwork Show

April 26-27 Classes (Apr 29 new remote post)

April 30 at 10:00 am First Communion rehearsal

May 7 Saturday at 11:00 am First Communion

May 7/8 May Crowning—all masses

May 14 Confirmation Retreat 7th & 8th grades

May 19 Confirmation Rehearsal 7:00 pm

May 20 Confirmation 7:00 pm

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The Paschal Candle Reflects Christ's Guiding Light

By Kathy Kuczka

At the Easter Vigil, after the newly kindled fire is blessed, a minister brings the paschal candle to the priest. A cross, the four numbers of the current year, and the Greek letters for *alpha* and *omega* have been traced into the wax. (These first and last letters of the Greek alphabet come from the Book of Revelation and recognize Christ as the beginning and the end.) Five grains of incense have been inserted into the wax covered nails, the priest touches these nails as he recites a text referring to the wounds of Christ. The paschal candle is then lit from the new fire as the priest says or sings, "May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds."

The paschal candle is the preeminent symbol of the light of Christ. Like the person of Christ, the paschal candle accompanies all who follow its light through their brightest and darkest moments.

This candle is also called the Easter candle because it is lit for the first time each year at the Easter Vigil and remains in a prominent location throughout the Easter season. The word *paschal* comes from *pesach*, the Hebrew word for Passover. It also comes from the Greek word *pascha*, meaning Easter.

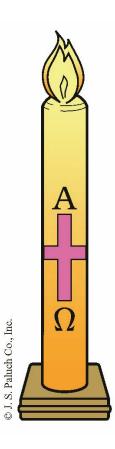
The origin of the paschal candle is unknown, though it is believed to be rooted in the lucernarium, the ancient practice of lighting the lamps in preparation for evening vespers. The *Roman Missal* calls the first part of the Easter Vigil, which begins in darkness with a blazing fire, the *Lucernarium*. Early Christians celebrated an extended Easter Vigil that would last into the early hours of Easter morning. The large candle used to illuminate the readings for the service eventually became known as the *paschal candle*.

The deacon or another minister carries the paschal candle to the back of the church, where he raises the candle and sings "The Light of Christ," or its Latin counterpart "Lumen Christi," to which the people, holding unlit candles, respond, "Thanks be to God." When the minister arrives at the center of the church, he repeats this action and, from the paschal candle, light is shared to the candles of the faithful. The people continue to follow the progress of the paschal candle further into the church, recalling the event in the Book of Exodus when the Israelites followed the column of fire out of Egypt and into freedom. When the deacon reaches the altar, he turns to face the people and sings and raises the candle once more before placing it in a

stand next to the ambo. After receiving a blessing, the deacon incenses the candle and sings the Exsultet, a poetic text that incorporates the paschal candle, "the work of bees and of your servants' hands," into a song of praise.

The paschal candle remains in place throughout Easter's fifty days and is lit for the more solemn liturgies of the season, including weekday Masses and Morning and Evening Prayer. After the last mass on Pentecost Sunday, the paschal candle is extinguished and moved to the baptistry according to the missal, "so that it is lit at the celebration of Baptism and the candles of those baptized are lit from it." The paschal candle is also lit for funeral liturgies and stands next to the coffin or the urn to recall the light of Christ that the deceased received at baptism and as a sign that they have passed from death to new life.

As we look upon the paschal candle, may we be reminded that Christ is our constant companion, the light for all our pathways.



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Adapted for Christ the Servant by Corinne Hanson.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Dick DuSatko and Ann Polan

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 16—Easter Vigil. Note start time of 8 pm.

8:00 PM Almaia Custodio, Sp. Int, r. Zenaida Cruz People of the Parish

Sunday, April 17—Easter Sunday

8:30 AM Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister 10:00 AM Donna Banaszak, r. Jim & Ginny McIlvain

Monday, April 18

NO MASS TODAY.

Tuesday, April 19

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 20

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, April 21

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, April 22—Communion service

8:30 AM

Saturday, April 23

4:45 PM John & Catherine Frale, r. Frale family

Sunday, April 24

8:30 AM Fr. John Barrett, r. Elena Haas James Crockett, r. Colette & family 10:00 AM People of the Parish

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

Bible Readings—Apr. 17-Apr. 23

SUNDAY: Acts 10:34a,37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 /

Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or Lk 24:13-35

MONDAY: Acts 2:14,22-33 / Mt 28:8-15 TUESDAY: Acts 2:36-41 / Jn 20:11-18 WEDNESDAY: Acts 3:1-10 / Lk 24:13-35 THURSDAY: Acts 3:11-26 / Lk 24:35-48 FRIDAY: Acts 4:1-12 / Jn 21:1-14 **SATURDAY:** Acts 4:13-21 / Mk 16:9-15

SUNDAY: Acts 5:12-16 / Rv 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19 /

Jn 20:19-31

We pray for the Sick

Ray Banaszak	Carol Hendrich	Jan May
Bruce Barnhard	Rita Hogan	Chuck Neal
Barbara Bayro	Remington Howard	Anthony Nowak
Nancy Becker	Rayna Januska	Linda Pennock
Sharon Bhaskar	Ed Jascewsky	Andrew Peslak
Kathy Borkowski	Madeline Jascewsky	Alie Phillips
Jim Brabec	Jeanne Jordan	Connie Polopoulos
Pat Chang	Ida Kenny	Danny Ramsey
Vic Cordes	Barb Kosiek	Lolit Ranchero
Marge Felix	Bob Kraft	John Rossi
Bonnie Fiebrandt	Karen Kripas	Jim Sanders
John M. Foresman	Brian Labuta	Dan Szymanski
Marty Foy	Josie Landicho	Anastasia Thiem
Dcn. Tom Fricke	S.Suzanne Lesniewski	Frank Tiesenga
Joann Germanie	Robert Losik	Mary Vanderplow
Michael Harris	Joyce Maples	Bill Wagner
Carolyn Heinrich	Joe Machanis	Vince Zitella

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



Lorraine Belvedere Mother of Diane (Jim) Chlada, Grandmother of Joe Chlada, Tony (Sheri) Chlada) and Angie (Rob) Chlopek

We pray for those who Serve

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreshak 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 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. Please also let us know when they return home.

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Office Hours & Staff

8700 Havens Drive Woodridge, Illinois 60517 Phone: (630) 910-0770 Fax: (630) 910-6060 www.ctswoodridge.org

Office Hours

Monday—Friday......9:00 AM—4:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Pastoral Staff

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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 Chris Bojanowski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 17

8:30 am—mass 10:00 am—mass

Monday, April 18

NO MASS

OFFICES CLOSED

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

Tuesday, April 19

8:30 am—daily mass 12:30 pm—Mah Jong 4:30-5:45 pm—RF classes, Gr 1-5,8 6:00-7:15 pm—RF classes, Gr 6

Wednesday, April 20

8:30 am—daily mass

6:00-7:15 pm—RF classes, Gr 1,5-8

Thursday, April 21

9:30 am—Yoga

1:00 pm—Wisdom Adult Faith Study

Friday, April 22

8:30 am—communion service

Offering of Letters

Saturday, April 23

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, April 24

8:30 am—mass 10:00 am—mass

Upcoming Events

April 30: First Communion practice, 10am

May 1: First Communion, 11 am

May 8/9: May Crowning at masses

May 14: Confirmation retreat

May 20: Confirmation, 7 pm

May 28: Electronics Recycling Event

Parish Giving

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds that the Colossians that they have been raised with Christ, exhorting them to "think about the things above rather than things of earth." We, too, have been raised with Christ. Let us rejoice and be glad!

See Colossians 3:2

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2021-2022

 Parish Expenses
 \$ 7,700.00

 Debt Payment
 2,600.00

 Total Needed
 \$ 10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Mar 30-Apr 5:

 Sunday 3/27
 \$ 3,436.30

 Sunday other forms
 3,991.00

 General Funds
 340.00

 Restricted
 430.00

 Debt Reduction
 450.00

 Total Contributed
 \$ 8,647.30

Differential this period:

 Needed
 \$ 10,300.00

 Reported
 8,647.30

 Deficit this period:
 \$ 1,652.70

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Catholic Relief Services \$ 405.00 Home Missions 25.00

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

Debt to Diocese 3/31/2022 \$204,598 Registered Households—780

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

Did you know...we are planning to have hospitality after masses the weekend of April 30/May 1. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! The Synod Surveys indicated a desire for more social activities, and this is the first. Your help is needed to help set up, serve, and clean up. If you can help with one of these needs at one mass, it will help tremendously. Sign up in the narthex. Without help, it can't happen! Help us meet this need and enjoy time with fellow parishioners!

