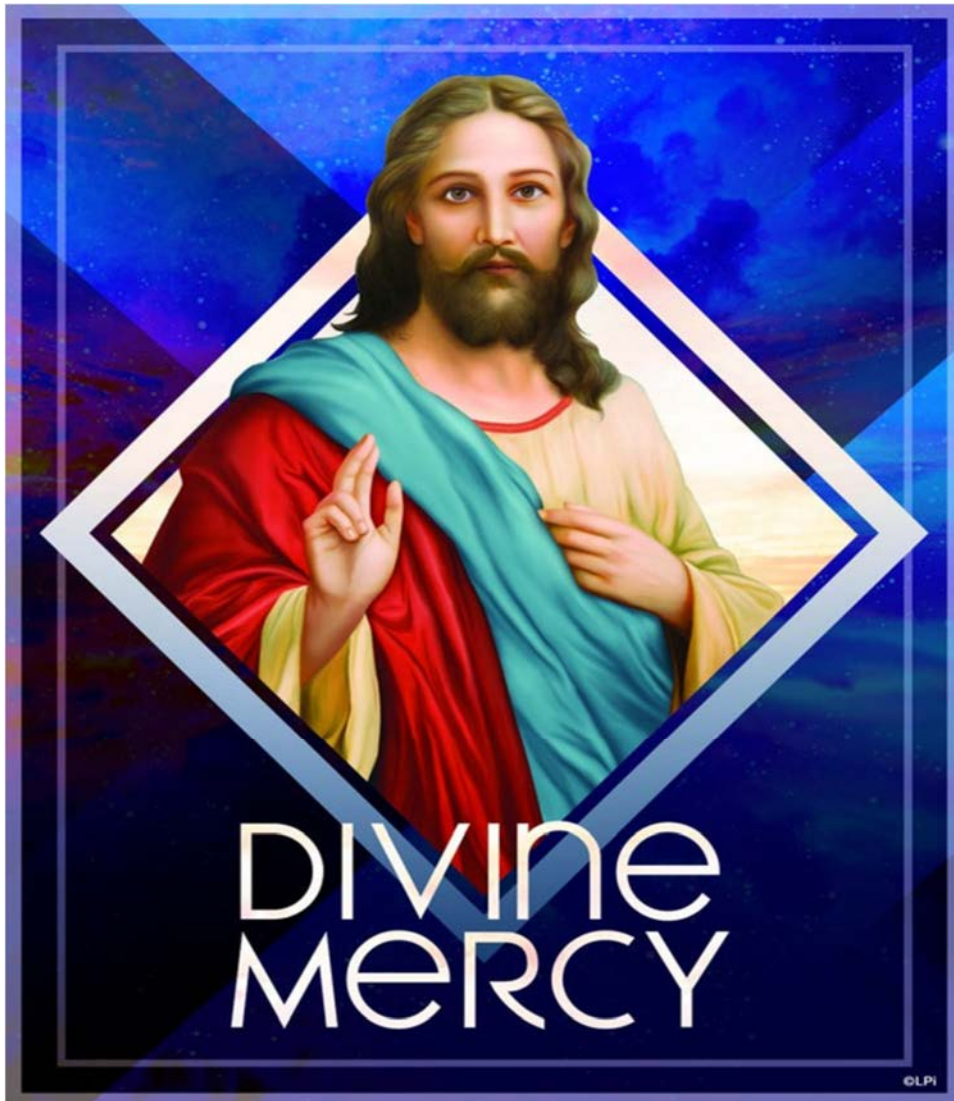


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.
8700 Havens Drive , Woodridge, IL 60517 630-910-0770



Divine Mercy Sunday,
April 7, 2024

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:45 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, and
10:00 am

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday—Thursday
8:30 am, and
Communion Service on
Friday 8:30 am

The **Rosary** is prayed
the first Friday of each
month at 9:00 am in the
Eucharistic Chapel.

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you to Christ the Servant! Registration forms are available in the narthex by the Sacristy. Please feel free to ask a host member where to find forms, Religious Formation information & the bulletin.

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism is celebrated twice a month, first and third Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:00 am. Patents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class, offered the first Thursday of each month. You must register for the preparation class by calling the parish office at: 630-910-0770.

SACRAMENT OF 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.

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

Francis' Tweet for the Week

Jesus broke through the darkness of the tomb and lives forever: His presence can fill anything with light. With Him, every day becomes a step in an eternal journey, every "today" can hope for a "tomorrow", every end a new beginning

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/UC1t8t8t8t8t8t8t8t8t8t8t).



590 Pounds of Easter Hams Donated!

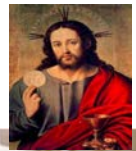
Huge thanks to all who donated an Easter ham to a family in need.

Christ the Servant collected 590 pounds of Easter hams. The hams were donated to the Downers Grove FISH. FISH was thrilled to receive the hams for Easter meals.

Thanks to the Christian Services committee & especially Joan Ruth for organizing the plentiful ham collection.



Eucharistic Revial



Since Christ Himself has said, 'This is My Body,' who shall dare to doubt that it is His Body?

- ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

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Liturgy Spotlight . . .

Easter cannot be a single day celebration, but it must continue for the fifty days until Pentecost. We need this "great Sunday" to deepen our sense that Jesus is alive among us, that Jesus cares for us, and that we are called to be disciples sharing in and witnessing to this resurrection life.



BREAD FOR THE WORLD

Letter Signing - April 13 & 14

Your advocacy matters. Take the opportunity next weekend to tell our legislators to enact bills that will reduce hunger both in the U.S. and around the world. In the U.S., we are asking to reauthorize child nutrition programs. Globally, we are asking for increased funding for the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act. See the letter on the poster in the Narthex this weekend for the specifics.



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

Donations Needed— Eagle Scout Project - April

Jack Stevens, Greg and Cheryl Feltz's grandson will be collecting new pajamas, socks, shoes & toys during the month of April for his Eagle Scout project.

Jack is a Scout with Troup 57. He is working to achieve the rank of Eagle, Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the Scouts. Jack's Eagle project, creating birthday bags for Illinois children in foster care. The foster children are ages infant to age 18.



Each bag will contain a pair of pajamas, socks, a toy or shoes and a blanket. Jack is hand making blankets for each birthday gift bag. Please donate PJ's, socks, shoes & toys. A bin will be placed in the narthex in April.

We're looking for members to serve on the Parish's commission. Your time and talents can make a difference to the entire parish. For more information, please contact Bryn Wildman at (630)910-0770 or bryn@ctswoodridge.org

From Exodus World Services

Would you like to strengthen your cross-cultural skills? Are you interested in befriending refugees in Chicagoland? If so, you are invited to attend a **Cross Cultural Training** at the Hinsdale Redeemer Lutheran Church on Monday, April 15 from 6:30-9:30 PM or on Tuesday, April 23 from 6:30-9:30 PM via Zoom.

The Cross Cultural Training will be led by Exodus World Services and is a prerequisite for the **New Neighbor** program, but it is open to everyone; the training will prepare participants to engage with refugee individuals and families and will include in-depth learning and activities to broaden your understanding of who refugees are and how they get to the U.S., as well as what help they receive when they arrive.

Questions? Email Jody at jody.may@exodusworldservice. Also contact her to register for the training.

Parish Life Commission

Provide opportunities for social interaction, faith, stewardship, and **FUN**draining for our parish family. Our annual program of events typically includes the development and organization of:

- Parish Social Events such as the annual picnic, shrine visits, baseball game, etc.
- Parish Fundraising Events such as the annual Spring Show & Grand Raffle and the Holiday Festival & Silent Auction plus Pick-A-Raffle.

PLC Member responsibilities include attendance at some/most commission monthly meetings in order to help with consensus building, idea development, organizational leadership, and support for the PLC annual program of events. Help is always welcome at each of the events and with event promotion and ticket sales. New members always welcome!!

The **commission monthly meeting** occurs the **second Monday** of the month at 7:00 pm in the church meeting room.

Save the Date
Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

All volunteers are invited to an appreciation dinner at the church on Friday, May 17 at 6:00 pm.

Mark your calendar!

Religious Formation News

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION



We are excited to assist and accompany your family on their journey of faith here in our parish. The Religious Formation Office is concerned with equipping your child with the skills to develop a personal and grace filled relationship with Jesus. The instruction that we provide for your child is intended to extend your resources in order to help you foster spiritual growth within your family life. The Religious Formation program partners with families in the passing on of the Catholic faith with a formalized, systematic program based on your child's developmental level for Kindergarten through 8th grade. We are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

For more information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org

Religious Formation Spring Art Show 2024



The Religious Formation Art Show will be the weekends of April 27-May 5. RF student are asked to submit artwork that they would like to display in the Spring Art show. Parents don't forget to keep saving your Child's artwork so the piece can be displayed.



Calling All Youth Singers

Calling all youth singers K-12th Grade! We need your voice to complete the First Communion Mass with beautiful music! Singing is praying twice! First Communion is Saturday, May 4th, at 11am. The Children's choir will be rehearsing on the following Thursdays:

April 11 - 4:45-6pm
April 18 - 4:45-6pm
April 25 - 4:45-6pm
May 2 - 4:45-6pm

The Children's Choir will be led by Linda Kurtz & Christy Lucarelli. To join or receive more information, please call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org



Religious Formation Class resumed following the Easter break.

Confirmation Presentation:

"Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, April 10 at the 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity." Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.



This exciting, first-of-its-kind youth event will be held at Lewis University on June 1, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. An unforgettable one-day conference dedicated to

transforming the lives of 8th - 12th graders into passionate and joyful disciples, participants will:

- Engage with national keynote speakers
 - Experience uplifting praise and worship
 - Deepen their faith through Eucharistic adoration
 - Find renewal in Reconciliation
- Cost: \$75/person

Christ the Servant is planning on taking our 7th grade (currently in 7th) thru high school to Illuminate Joliet Youth Day

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

April 8/9/10 Regular Classes

April 10 (Wednesday) All Confirmation students and Parents Confirmation Presentation "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity" presented by the Schmitz family

April 15/16/17 Regular Classes

April 17 All Confirmation Students Confirmation Interviews

April 22/23/24 Regular Classes

April 24 Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Spring Art Show

April 27-May 5 Weekend Spring RF Student's Art Show

April 27 (Saturday) 1st Communion Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.

April 29/30/May 1 Last Classes

May 4 (Saturday) 1st Communion Mass 11:00 a.m.

May 8, 7:00pm (Wednesday) Confirmation Rehearsal

May 11 (Saturday) Confirmation Retreat

May 14, 7:00pm (Tuesday) Confirmation

May 19 (Sunday) MASS May Crowning at all Masses

June 10-14 VBS Vacation Bible School Scuba



Students Planning on or Attending:

- Catholic High School
- Accredited College or University
- Trade School

Are eligible to apply for the

LEONARD M. JARKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship application and full eligibility requirements can be obtained from the Parish office or by contacting our Scholarship Chairman, Carl Jakubowski at 630-696-0151. All applications must be submitted by **APRIL 22, 2024**. Applications can be submitted via e-mail to TrainNut56@outlook.com, given to any Council 5918 member, or to the Scholarship Chairman. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May.

First Communion Dates



- **April 27th at 10:00 am** First Communion practice
- **May 4th 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.



Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith Formation are genuinely happy to be able to work with your family to prepare and receive the Sacraments. The Sacraments are God's great gift to mankind and so there is great joy in being able to share this wonderful gift and work of God with your family. The seven Sacraments touch all the stages and all the important moments of Christian life: "they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian's life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life." (St Thomas Aquinas)

Confirmation Reminders and News



Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Conlon, **May 14th at 7:00 pm** here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is Wednesday, **May 8th at 7:00**, a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

Confirmation Paperwork

Students who are preparing to receive Confirmation this year are should turning in their required paperwork.

Confirmation Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 11th at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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

Sacrament Reminder

Don't forget, if your child is planning on making a Sacrament **the Diocese of Joliet requires children complete a minimum of two consecutive years of Religious Formation before receiving Sacraments.** Typically, in 2nd grade, our children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the late fall and the Sacrament of Eucharist in the spring. (Children must have participated in RF in first and second grade or two other consecutive years of preparation). Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will be conferred at the end of 8th grade according to the Bishop's schedule begins in 6th and 7th grade. (Full participation in RF in 7th and 8th grade is the minimum enrollment required.)



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, April 7-Divine Mercy

8:30 AM The John Frale family, reg. family
 10:00 AM All single persons in the Diocese, parishioners of St. Mary Mission in Reddick, St. Mary Parish in Plano & St. Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield, req. Diocese

Monday, April 8-The Annunciation of the Lord

8:30 AM All the single persons in the Diocese of Joliet

Tuesday, April 9

8:30 AM St Mary Mission, Reddick, req. DOJ

Wednesday, April 10

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, April 11

8:30 AM St. Mary of Plano req. Diocese of Joliet

Friday, April 12

8:30 AM Betty Zoucha, req. Sister Jane
 St. Mary Immaculate, Plainfield, req. DOJ

Saturday, April 13

4:45 PM Patrick W. Fitzgerald, req. Casey Kellner

Sunday, April 14

8:30 AM People of the Parish
 10:00 AM Marge Koprowski, req. The Community
 The Parishioners of St Peter Parish, Piper City,
 St. Paul the Apostle
 Parish, Peotone, and the
 Staff in the Hospitals in
 the Diocese,



Prayers for the Sick

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| Barbara Bayro | Ed Jascewsky | John Rossi |
| Frank Bayro | Madeline Jascewsky | Sonja Rudny |
| Sharon Bhaskar | Ramon Joson | Karen Salvio |
| Jim Brabec | Jeanne Jordan | Jim Sanders |
| Renee Brennan | Paul Knight | Rita Sisko |
| Pat Chang | Barb Kosiek | Marlene Snedeker |
| Vic Cordes | Mike Leach | Jennifer Stile |
| Michael Durkovic Sr | Robert Losik | Dan Szymanski |
| Rudy Durkovic | Cathy Magee | Dennis Szulc |
| Ray DiGrazia | Joyce Maples | Michelle Toro |
| Marge Felix | Jan May | Mary Vanderplow |
| John M. Foresman | Donna Mays | Jim Verdi |
| Marty Foy | Arturo Mendez | Bill Wagner |
| Mary Chap-Grigar | Robert Mizek | Judy Ward |
| Bill Hartig | Anna Moneghini | Nancy Warnecke |
| Michael Harris | Chuck Neal | Patricia Wheeler |
| Carolyn Heinrich | Nam Pham | |
| Carol Hendrich | Carmen Pognatiello | |
| Fred Huth | Janice Proskey | |
| Tony Iovito | Bob Pluta | |
| John Ito | Wm. (Bill) Rausch | |
| Brian Jackson | Lolit Rancho | |
| Cathy Jackson | Genevieve Ragnanese | |
| Jessica James | Barb Rogers | |
| Rayna Januska | | |



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 bryn@ctswoodridge.org. To request a mass, or the Tabernacle Light, call the parish office at 630- 910-0770.

Readings for the week of April 7, 2024

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

The tabernacle light burns this week in loving memory of the deceased members.



We pray for those who Serve Our Country

- 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
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.

With Heartfelt
Sympathy
 Please Pray For
 Our Beloved
 Deceased and
 Their Families

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday.....8:30 AM—4:30 PM

Friday.....8:30 AM—1:30 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

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Bill Yunker, Pastoral Council Chair

Ed Koch, Administration/Finance

Bill Yunker, Christian Service

Donna Ciolek, Parish Life Chair

Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation

Chris Bojanowski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 7-Divine Mercy

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

11:00 am—baptism

3:00 pm—special wedding mass

Monday, April 8

8:30 am—daily mass

7:00 pm—Parish Life meeting

Tuesday, April 9

8:30 am—daily mass

Wed, April 10

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., April 11

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—yoga

Friday, April 12

8:30 am—communion service

Saturday, April 13

11:00 am Berliner funeral mass

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, April 14

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

Upcoming Events Calendar

April 7: Wedding blessing –Fr. Cerna

April 8: PLC meeting 7 pm

April 13/14: Bread for the World, letter signing in narthex following masses

April 15: P&SJ meeting 7:00 pm

April 15: Finance meeting 7:00 pm

April 20: Bob Schiller funeral, narthex visitation 10 am, funeral mass 11:00 am.

April 20/21: Exodus World, Jason Mohn speaking during mass about refugees.

April 27/28: Religious Formation Art Show in the narthex and hallway

April 28: Baptism

May 4: 1st Holy Communion 11:00 am

May 17: Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:

Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from burning fossil fuels trap heat, are warming the planet, and are contributing to climate instability. Transportation, including our daily driving, contributes to 28% of total US GHG emissions. When purchasing, consider buying the highest mileage vehicle in the class you need. For example, a 40-mpg vehicle can save you 4500 gallons of fuel over the life of the vehicle and dramatically reduce emissions, compared to a 20-mpg alternative. Hybrid and electric vehicles can often deliver even greater reductions. Check for available incentives on those. Often the move to a more efficient vehicle can result in reduced operating expense and an overall cost savings to you, while reducing waste and pollution!

"... the world we have received also belongs to those who will follow us."
—Pope Francis



Creation Care Corner

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023- 2024

Parish Expenses \$ 7,700.00

Total Needed \$ 7,700.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: March 26-April 2

Sunday \$ 4,198.00

Sunday other forms \$ 6,832.00

General Funds \$ 1,880.00

Restricted \$ 400.00

Capital Projects \$ 125.00

Total Contributed \$ 13,435.00

Differential this period:

Needed \$ 7,700.00

Reported \$ 13,435.00

Differential this period: \$ 5,735.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Easter Sunday \$ 7,048.00

Cash for Food \$ 40.00

Registered Households—784

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

Did you know...To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on "Donate", then click on "Stock Donations" or call the Development office at 815-221-6100 for information. A free, online will-writing tool is available through the Diocese of Joliet. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet. You can avoid paying taxes on your IRA disbursements by having the check mailed directly to the church. Consult with your financial advisor for information.

2023
GOAL
\$43,500



AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$46,964 as of January 21, 2024.

AMOUNT PAID: \$44,484
REMAINING BALANCE: \$2,480
DONORS THIS YEAR: 230
2023 REBATE AMOUNT: \$689

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