Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who have nothing prepared; for today is holy to our Lord.

Nehemiah 8:10

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.
**Living Stewardship Now**

“All things in this world are created out of God’s love, and they become a framework of gifts, offered us so that we can know God more easily and make a return of God’s love more readily.” ~ Saint Ignatius Loyola

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**Knights of Columbus Scholarship Applications due April 15**

STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Accredited University, College or Trade School may apply for the LEONARD M. JARKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. The Scholarship application and eligibility requirements may be obtained from the Parish Office, from the bulletin board in the narthex, downloaded from the www.kofc5918.org or by contacting Scholarship Chairman Jim Schmidt at 630-728-4784. **The deadline for applications is April 15, 2019.** Applications can be submitted via email, US Mail or delivered in person to a Knights of Columbus Council Officer or the Scholarship Chairman. Scholarships will be awarded at the end of May 2019.

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**Dating Violence Prevention**

Healthy relationships consist of trust, honesty, respect, equality, and compromise. Unfortunately, teen dating violence—the type of intimate partner violence that occurs between two young people who are, or who were once in, an intimate relationship—is a serious problem in the United States. A national survey found that ten percent of teens, female and male, had been the victims of physical dating violence within the past year and approximately 29 percent of adolescents reported being verbally or psychologically abused within the previous year.

Teen dating violence can be physical, emotional and/or sexual. It can negatively influence the development of healthy sexuality, intimacy, and identity as youth grow into adulthood and can increase the risk of physical injury, poor academic performance, binge drinking, suicide attempts, unhealthy sexual behaviors, substance abuse, negative body image and self-esteem, and violence in future relationships.

Dating violence can be prevented, especially when there is a focus on reducing risk as well as fostering protective factors and when teens are empowered through family, friends, and others (including role models such as teachers, coaches, mentors, and youth group leaders) to lead healthy lives and establish healthy relationships. It is important to create spaces, such as school communities, where the behavioral norms are not tolerant of abuse in dating relationships. The message must be clear that treating people in abusive ways will not be accepted, and policies must enforce this message to keep students safe.

*From youth.gov (U.S. Government website)*

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**Widowed and feeling stuck?**

**Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life.**

Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry presents a Retreat/workshop for widowed men & women

All are welcome.

**March 9 & 10, 2019**
at the Mt. Assisi Center, Lemont

**March 30 & 31, 2019**
Holy Family Med. Ctr., Des Plaines

To register call: 708-354-7211.
e-mail us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com
website: www.joyfulagain.org

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Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com

Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS
Friday, February 1st First Friday Devotions will be held in the Eucharistic Chapel after Communion Services. “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord: my spirit rejoices in God my savior…The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is His name.” Luke 1:46-47, 49.

CONFERENCE FOR THE DIVORCED & WIDOWED
Diocese of Joliet Office of Family Ministry

“Six Keys to Healing & God’s Plan for Your Life”
Saturday, March 16, 2019
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Check-in 8:30 a.m.)
Concludes with Vigil Mass
Blanchette Catholic Center
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill, IL

Our speaker for the day is Catholic author and speaker Lisa Duffy. Lisa has nearly 20 years of personal experience helping people rebuild their lives after the loss of a spouse either through death or divorce.

The suggested donation is $35 which includes morning coffee and refreshments, lunch and materials. Please register by March 11th by calling the Office of Family Ministry at 815.838.5334.

ASYLUM SEEKERS AT THE BORDER NEED OUR HELP!!!!
The Joliet Diocese and Immigrant Solidarity DuPage are partnering to provide goods needed by asylum seekers at the U.S.–Mexico border. Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley-Humanitarian Respite Center is receiving hundreds of people a day who were recently released from ICE. Because of the high volume of arrivals they are in desperate need of donations of basic hygiene products, first aid supplies, new socks and undergarments, and shoelaces (for some reason ICE takes their shoelaces when they are detained).

Here is a list of items needed:

- Shampoo, conditioner
- Soap
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Lotion
- Deodorant
- Pads and tampons
- Diapers, wipes
- Baby powder
- Bandaids and bandages
- Ointments
- Alcohol wipes
- Gauze and medical tape
- New socks (all sizes)
- New underwear (all sizes)
- Shoelaces

The Diocese is asking all parishes to collect items for the respite center until the end of January. There is a large box in the Narthex to deposit the items. Arrangements will then be made to get the collected items to Immigrant Solidarity DuPage who will transport them to the Respite Center at the border.

Thank you for helping with this project.
Religious Formation

Grades 1–7
Sessions meet this Tuesday and Wednesday

8th Grade Confirmation
Next Classes:
Sunday Session - January 27th, Feb 10th
Wednesday Session - January 30th, Feb 13th
(Have you turned in your Saint Paper, Sacramental Info Form and Sponsor Form? If you have any make-ups due...now is the time!)

F.A.C.T. Group Up-Coming Events
Families with Active Catholic Teens
6th-8th graders
Sign-ups are available in the Narthex for these fun-filled activities!
1. Sunday, January 27th
   after 10:00am Mass
   TEEN WORK DAY - Get ready for our annual chocolate sale! Come make posters and apply our labels to CHOCOLATE BARS...... Stay to socialize!
2. Weekend of Feb 9/10 - after all Masses
   Sign up to help sell the chocolate on the weekend before Valentine’s Day!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
• If you simply want to know more about the Catholic Church...
• If you are interested in our Catholic Faith and Traditions....
• If you have questions about the Catholic Church....
• If you seeking a sacrament.... Baptism..Eucharist..Confirmation
• If you feel that the Lord is calling you into deeper relationship....

Then we invite you to join our RCIA journey. We meet Sunday mornings at 8:30am. It's not too late to join us. Contact Liz Wagner, Director of Religious Formation, for information about the RCIA Process or if you are interested in serving on the RCIA Team and sharing your faith. 630-910-0770 x103 or liz@ctswoodridge.org

Please Pray for our catechumens:
Brandon Janczewski & Athena Rodrigues; and our candidate: Mauricio Fernandez.

Protecting God’s Children for Adults
This program was developed to help caring and responsible adults in keeping children safe. PGCA is mandatory for all adults who work with children in the parish. All parents are encouraged to attend this program. There are sessions offered at neighboring parishes. To view a list of available opportunities, visit www.virtus.org. Select First-time Registrant > View list of sessions > Joliet IL (Diocese)

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!
www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org
"Like" us!

ValLimar Jansen
Storyteller, Singer, Composer
For a Preview YouTube “ValLimar Jansen: A Closer Look”
Catechist Evening of Formation
FEBRUARY 20th, 2019
6 to 9 PM
St. Petronille in Glen Ellyn

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
If your family would like to bring up the gifts at Mass (Bread, Wine and collection basket), just let one of the "hosts" know when you come into church. (The ones handing out the music booklets.) They're always looking for volunteers!

Contact Corinne Hanson, 630-910-0770, or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org, for information on how to get started in a liturgical ministry. Scheduling is based on your availability. When you see a name lots of times on the lists to the right, it's because we need more people like you helping out!

Respect for All Life

Restoring a Culture of Life

For years in our country, and throughout much of the world, there has been a dramatic struggle between the culture of life and the culture of death. The Church needs to maintain its commitment in 4 major areas:

**Public Information and Education**—to deepen understanding of the sanctity of human life and the humanity of the unborn, the moral evil of discarding human beings whether at the beginning or end of life, and the Church’s mission to witness and to serve all human life;

**Pastoral Care**—for women with pregnancy problems, those involved with abortion, the disabled, sick, and dying, and those who have lost loved ones to violent crimes, and those in prison sentenced to death;

**Public Policy**—efforts directed to restore legal protection to the lives of unborn children, and those vulnerable to pressure to end their lives by assisted suicide;

**Prayer and Worship**—directed to participation in the sacramental life of the Church, and in programs of communal and individual prayer, so that the culture of death will be displaced by a culture of life.

~USCCB, Respect Life Ministry, “Pastoral Plan”

submitted by Dave A

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 at 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, February 7, 7:00-8:00 PM
TABERNACLE LIGHT
Eleanor Lewandowski & Nancy Bukowski

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
Saturday, January 26
4:45 PM John Bagley, r. Steve & Karen Jackson

Sunday, January 27
8:30 AM Rino Lappaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister
10:00 AM Alice Maltese, r. Rosanne Maltese
Hank Tjakowski, Sp. Int, r. Bernie Kestler
People of the Parish

Monday, January 28
8:30 AM Kristen Hagen, r. Andie Wolfe

Tuesday, January 29
8:30 AM George E. Wisdom r. Casey family

Wednesday, January 30
8:30 AM Andrew Iovito, Sr., r. Andie Wolfe

Thursday, January 31
8:30 AM Jerry Christensen, Sp. Int, r. Bernie Kestler

Friday, February 1—Communion Service
8:30 AM

Saturday, February 2
4:45 PM Betty & Chester Kozlowski, r. family & friends
John & Esther Michalek r. family
Gerald Johnson r. family
Lilly Mary

Sunday, February 3
8:30 AM Theresa McIlvain
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Marilyn Ward, r. Sister Rosemary Ward

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

Bishop Conlon has issued a decree which states that only twice per week we may combine intentions of more than one person at a single mass. The stipend is $10. If you wish to donate more, you may direct the offering to another purpose. Excess donations not specifically directed will be forwarded to the Diocesan Finance Office to be used for the purpose of maintaining underfunded diocesan cemeteries.

We pray for the Sick
Joe Becker
Sharon Bhashkar
Casey Conway
Nathaniel Eagleson
Carol Engel
Jill Franklin
John Gardner
Virginia Gebka
Andrea Gould
Guy Grimmelbein
Tina Hansen
Rita Hogan
Peggy Howard
Dorothy Hunter
Fred Huth
Rayna Januska
Steve Jascewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Rick Knue

Ted Kozerski
Sally Krueger
Rachel Lawrence
James Longman
Joyce Maples
Lucy Mathai
Sophie Mastuszak
Chuck Neal
Gayle Newton
Anthony Nowak
Carol Paul
Don Paul
Franca Paul
Benjamin Pe
Kosh Polpouri
Patricia Quinn
Dennis Richardson
Joel Rivera
John Robinson

Norbert Rojewski
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Virginia Ryan
Jim Sanders
Andrew Schmit
Paula Sedlacek
Jason Smith
Antoni Smykla
Cal Stile
Frank Tiesenga
Rick Vendl
Dorothy Wagner
Judy Wethington
Rita Wyman
Ron Wyman
Ray Young
Joe Zapalac

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

Noel Canto
(husband of Henrissa)

Sister Janet Hughes

We pray for those who Serve

Emily Dome, granddaughter of Paul & Brenda Czarapata
Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson
David Jackson, son of Cathleen & Richard Jackson
Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove
Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Jim Sheehan, godson of Liz Wagner
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.
The US Bishops’ pastoral on stewardship reinforces today’s reading from 1 Corinthians: Because its individual members do collectively make up the body of Christ, that body’s health and well-being are the responsibility of the members—the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church.”

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2018-2019
Parish Expenses $ 7,700.00
Debt Payment 2,900.00
Total Needed $ 10,600.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Jan 15-Jan 22:
Sunday 1/20 $ 5,040.00
Sunday other forms 1,002.00
General Funds 195.00
Debt Reduction 202.00
Total Contributed $ 6,439.00

Differential this period:
Needed $ 10,600.00
Reported 6,439.00
Deficit this period: $ (4,161.00)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Latin America $ 10.00
Diocesan Cemeteries 20.00
Donation for PADS 20.00
STORM Youth Ministry 25.00

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.
Debt to Diocese 12/31/18 $328,343
Registered Households—762

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know…2018 contribution statements were sent, via first class mail, this week. If yours does not arrive, please call the parish office for a duplicate.