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

If we abandon the law of love, the law of the strongest over the weakest will be asserted.

Living Stewardship Now

Get acquainted with difference. Volunteer to teach English as a second language; sign up to help build a Habitat for Humanity house for a poor working family; write letters through ‘Amnesty International’ on behalf of the unjustly imprisoned; make friends with a parish family who comes from another country.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, April 13/14
(decorating at 10 am, April 12)
Masses: 4:45 pm Saturday
8:30 am and 10:15 am Sunday

Holy Thursday, April 18
(decorating at 10 am, April 18)
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:00 pm
Night Prayer 11:00 pm

Good Friday, April 19
no morning communion service
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion 3:00 pm
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
(presented by RF students)

Holy Saturday, April 20
(decorating at 10 am, April 20)
Blessing of Baskets & Foods 9:30 am
no confessions or 4:45 pm mass
Solemn Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 21
Masses: 8:30 am and 10:15 am

Easter Monday, April 22
no morning mass
Offices closed

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has pledged a gift to the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Our parish’s goal for the 2019 CMAA is $40,400. Every gift—large and small—makes a difference! If we raise more than our goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use.

If you have not yet made a response, please prayerfully reflect on your pledge to this year’s CMAA and make your gift today. Pledge envelopes are available in the narthex. You can also return the pledge card you received in the mail, make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org, or text “Donate” to (815) 205-1949 to a link to a donation form from your mobile phone.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook.  www.facebook.com
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Spring Electronics Recycling and Book Collection
Saturday, May 25, from 8:30-11:30 am
The Green Team is co-sponsoring an Electronics Recycling Event with eWorks. There is a charge for TVs & CRTs depending on the size of the screen, payable in either cash or credit card. Watch for more information later, just put it on your calendar now!

OFFERING OF LETTERS
“BETTER NUTRITION, BETTER TOMORROW” MAY 4-5, BEFORE AND AFTER ALL MASSES
Last year Bread for the World letters opposed a proposed $20 billion cut from SNAP food assistance. That’s a lot of groceries! After the fall elections, in a strongly bipartisan vote Congress passed the Farm Bill with no cuts to SNAP, WIC and School Lunches.

The 2019 Offering of Letters urges our government to accelerate progress toward the end of child malnutrition globally.

To accelerate progress on nutrition, we must scale up what we know works: improved access to nutritious foods, vitamins and minerals, clean water and sanitation, promotion breastfeeding and treatment for severe malnutrition. Current funding is not enough to reach our global nutrition goals.

Every child deserves a chance to survive and thrive. And when children thrive, so do economies – leading to greater global economics and political stability.

The 2019 Offerings of Letters is once again an opportunity to put our faith into action through advocacy!

OFFERING OF LETTERS
“The 40 Days for Life campaign is a community-based campaign that draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of three-point program: Prayer and fasting, Peaceful vigil, and Community outreach. Volunteers are needed to pray at abortion clinics within the Diocese of Joliet. Full details can be found at https://40daysforlife.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK DECOR!!!
The Worship Commission is seeking helpers to help make the church prayerful and welcoming for Holy Week.

Decorate for Palm Sunday: Red altar cloths and banners, arrange palms at the altar, set up containers for palms for the people. (During the day Friday 4/12 or 10 am Saturday 4/13)

Decorate for Holy Thursday: Assist in changing out the red for white linens, and helping set up the tabernacle for Adoration that night. 4/18 morning

Easter decorating: 10:00 am Saturday, April 20, right after the Blessing of Foods & Baskets. Call Corinne 630-910-0770.

HAMS FOR THE HUNGRY
Once again, we will be collecting hams to share with our neighbors in need for Easter. Hams will be collected next Sunday, April 14, between 8 am and 11 am. (We don’t have enough space to keep them refrigerated, so please bring them by on Sunday morning.)

All sizes are needed, as the size of families in need varies greatly.

Questions? Contact Denice K

SUNDAY MASS AT MERCY HOME
Do you know someone who is homebound, and sad that they cannot attend mass? They might see someone they know on Easter Sunday morning, as parishioners from Christ the Servant and Our Lady of Peace were present at the taping of the mass. Watch for the Mercy Home broadcast on Sunday, April 21st, at 9:30 am on WGN-TV Channel 9.
Religious Formation

Grades 1-7  Sessions meet  Tuesday and Wednesday
8th Grade Confirmation
Next Classes:
Sunday Sessions - April 7th
Wednesday Sessions - April 10th

(Have you turned in your Saint Paper, Sacramental Info Form and Sponsor Form? If you have any make-ups

FIRST EUCHARIST PRACTICE
PARENT AND CHILD must be present SATURDAY, APRIL 13th 10:00am
Make sure you’ve turned in your candle to be added to the banner!

Service Opportunity:
Please contact Liz Wagner liz@ctswoodridge.org if you would like to serve our faith community as we celebrate this Lenten tradition:

- Friday April 19th 7:00pm - Living Stations of the Cross
  Teen Readers, Cross Bearers needed.

Rehearsal will be on Wednesday April 17th at 6:00pm.
We also need Greeters if you don’t want an active role or can’t make the rehearsal.

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)

CRS Rice Bowl brings Lent to life.
CRS Rice Bowl is a Lenten faith formation program that helps us to live in solidarity with the poor and vulnerable around the world.
- We pray to reflect on what type of person we are called to be.
- We fast to remove the things that get between us and God and to remember those without enough to eat.
- We give to honor Jesus’ call to serve those in need.

Rice bowls are to be returned on Palm Sunday weekend, April 13/14.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- If you feel that the Lord is calling you into deeper relationship....
- 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

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 J & Athena R;
and our candidate: Mauricio F.

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

Hotline Numbers for Help
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If you/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

"Respect The Elderly"
Pope Francis has spoken about the role of grandparents in family life. With life expectancies having increased in modern societies, the Pope has denounced a widespread lack of respect and consideration for the elderly and their dignity. Attention for the elderly is what makes the difference within a civilization. Yet often societies not only fail to make room for the elderly, but even consider them a burden. It is a mortal sin to discard the elderly. They are not aliens; we are them, in a short or in a long while. If we do not learn to look after and to respect our elderly, we will be treated in the same way. A society where the elderly are discarded carries within it the virus of death. And because of their vulnerability, and special needs, especially of those who are ill or alone, they call for particular attention and care. Rather than a burden, the Bible tells us that the elderly are a storehouse of wisdom. Pope Francis pointed out that the Church has always accompanied the elderly with gratitude and affection, making them feel accepted and part of the community. And he concluded: "Where the elderly are NOT honored, there is no future for the young."

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 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 2, 7:00-8:00 PM
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
Gerald Johnson

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 6**
4:45 PM  John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family

**Sunday, April 7**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish
10:00 AM Sylvia Cordes, r. family

**Monday, April 8**
8:30 AM  Benjamin Serrano, r. family

**Tuesday, April 9**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish

**Wednesday, April 10**
8:30 AM  Betty Kozlowski, r. family & friends

**Thursday, April 11**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish

**Friday, April 12—Communion Service**
8:30 AM

**Saturday, April 13**
4:45 PM  Al Januska, r. Darlene, family & friends
People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 14**
8:30 AM  In Thanksgiving, r. Gil & Alice Sarmiento
10:00 AM Sylvia Cordes, r. family
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**

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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**

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.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE**
Visit Our Lady of Fatima right here at Christ the Servant! Sunday, April 7, from 2-8 pm and Monday, April 8, from 7:30 am-1 pm.

Of special note are talks by the caretaker at 5 pm Sunday and 9 am Monday. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 7pm Sunday, and concludes with Benediction at 8 pm.

**Bible Readings—Apr 7-Apr 14**

**SUNDAY:** Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / Jn 8:1-11 or Ez 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11 / Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45

**MONDAY:** Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 / or 13:41c-62 / Jn 8:12-20

**TUESDAY:** Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30

**WEDNESDAY:** Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 / Jn 8:31-42

**THURSDAY:** Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59

**FRIDAY:** Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42

**SATURDAY:** Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56

**SUNDAY:** Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49
In today’s second (Cycle C) reading, St. Paul says, “For His sake I have forfeited everything: I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth.” Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?

See Philippians 3:8

### Parish Expenses
- **Parish Expenses**: $7,700.00
- **Debt Payment**: $2,900.00
- **Total Needed**: $10,600.00

### Contributions
- **Mar 27-Apr 2**:
  - **Sunday 3/31**: $5,793.50
  - **Sunday other forms**: $1,790.00
  - **General Funds**: $60.00
  - **Restricted**: $500.00
  - **Debt Reduction**: $55.00
- **Total Contributed**: $7,698.50
- **Differential this week**:
  - **Needed**: $10,600.00
  - **Reported**: $7,698.50
  - **Deficit this period**: ($2,901.50)

### Other Contributions
- **Homeless under the bridges**: $25.00
- **Catholic Relief Services**: $761.00
- **General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.**: $761.00
- **Debt to Diocese**: $439,568
- **Registered Households**: 762

### Leave a Legacy
Call the Development office at 815-221-6100 to donate.