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.
May the Mother of God accompany us and protect Christians in fighting against the forces of evil. Let us entrust ourselves to her and pray for the Church and for peace in the world.

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**Pope Francis’ Tweet for the Week**

May 12, 2019

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

Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.

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**Living Stewardship Now**

If you know someone who is a full-time caregiver, offer to provide them with a “time out” for a few hours so they can go to church, run some errands, or visit with a friend.

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**RESPECT FOR ALL LIFE MEETING**

The Respect for All Life Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 14, at 9:00 am. New members are welcome. Special emphasis will be Mothers’ and Fathers’ Days and cards to be signed for the incarcerated for Christmas 2019.

Next weekend we will welcome Mary Griffith of Waterleaf Women’s Center, Baby Bottles for Life will be distributed. Mary will share with us some of the good work that your donations will help continue. Please plan to take home a bottle and fill it with your generous donation. If you wish to write a check, please make it payable to “Waterleaf”.

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**Baby Bottles For LIFE**

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**6th Annual Joliet Diocese Men’s Conference “Rise Up” Men of God Saturday, June 1, 2019**

Registration forms are available on the bulletin board in the narthex, or you may register online at www.fishersofmenonline.com

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**2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report as of 4/28/19**

Your participation in the CMAA is important. We need you!

It is not too late to make your pledge to the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal. Remember, the funds donated to this appeal go directly to the ministries they list on the appeal website. In-pew envelopes are still available in the narthex, or you can make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org.

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**Donations for altar flowers will be accepted in the parish office. ($30 suggested donation.) Make sure you identify yourself (so the donation can be included on your tax records), and the person(s)/event you are honoring, and whether there is a specific date you want the flowers on the altar. First come, first served for choice of date. Please make the donation at least a month in advance so we can plan appropriately to purchase, place, and include in the bulletin.**

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**RESPECT FOR ALL LIFE MEETING**

The altar flowers this weekend are in memory of Josephine B and Helen C, mothers of Donna & Bill C.

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**Are you looking for a way to help at church? Are you available during the day for about an hour a week?**

If you answered “yes” to these questions, then perhaps you could become a member of the expanded Money Count Team. Other qualifications are a love of accuracy and the ability to maintain confidentiality. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Cathy B.
THE MONTH OF MAY
WE HONOR OUR BLESSED MOTHER

Have you ever received or given a beautiful bouquet of roses to someone you love?

The ROSARY is quite literally a Spiritual Bouquet or Crown of Roses said lovingly to Our Blessed Mother.

The recipe for the ROSARY is simple:
1 Apostle’s Creed, 6 Our Fathers, 53 Hail Marys, 5 Glory Bes, ending with 1 Hail Holy Queen.

Join in honoring Our Blessed Mother by participating in saying the Rosary before or after Mass (Friday Communion Service) during the month of May. Rosaries are available in the Narthex for your personal, family and friends’ use. Please, help yourself.

Compliments of CTS’ Respect for All Life Committee

SAVE THESE DATES!

May 25, 8:30-11:30 am: Electronics (and Books) Recycling Event in the church parking lot. Watch for the flyer in next week’s bulletin with specific details.

June 1/2: “Cap and Gown” weekend, recognition of graduates (8th grade and up) at all masses.

June 22: Feed My Starving Children, 2-4 pm, at the Aurora location. See page 4 or call Liz Wagner for details.

September 13: Golf Outing at Twin Lakes Golf Club, 3 pm shotgun start. For information, contact Jerry F or Tony A.

October 11: Oktoberfest FUNdraiser. Evening of fun, food, fellowship and the Grand Raffle! Committees are being formed now—catering, bar, entertainment, raffles/silent auction, decorating. Contact Donna C to be a part of this major event!

Job Opportunities

**Director of Religious Formation**

Christ the Servant Parish in Woodridge, IL is seeking a part-time (average 29 hours per week, no benefits) Director of Religious Formation as of July 1, 2019. Key duties involve 1) oversee Religious Formation preschool (Children’s Liturgy of the Word) through 8th grade, 2) the sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation, 3) the recruitment and formation of catechists and substitutes, 4) coordinate RCIA, and 5) ensure adherence to Protecting God’s Children norms.

For the complete job description, please visit: [http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/jobdetail.php?id=492](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/jobdetail.php?id=492) and click on the .pdf link at the bottom of the page.

Christ the Servant Parish Pastoral Council and the Christian Service Commission announce a new service project!

A Sharing Garden: What is it?
A vegetable garden planted on parish grounds and maintained by parishioners with all the food grown donated to the West Suburban Food Pantry.

Why?
1. There is a need for fresh produce at the Pantry.
2. Our church has lots of good sunny space for a food garden.
3. We have a strong tradition of service to the community, especially of donating food to the hungry in our area.

How? We’ll start small, with two 4x8 foot raised beds. Several parishioners will be donating cash and lumber to build the raised beds. Chris B and Cindy F have volunteered to plant the gardens, weed and harvest the food. Healthy fresh vegetables will be delivered to the pantry when they are ripe.

Would you like to help?
1. We would appreciate donations of bagged organic soil, mulch, and compost, and old newspapers to set up the garden. And cash of course, is always welcome to help us to get started!
2. Later in the season, we’d love help with the weeding and watering! We’ll have a meeting soon!
3. Pray for a good growing season!

Cash donations can be sent through the parish office. Mark your envelope: “For the Sharing Garden” For non-cash donations, contact Chris B.
Religious Formation

May the Spirit of the Risen Lord be with you this Easter Season.

Grades 1-5  No sessions this week—Happy Summer!

Grades 6 & 7
Please make sure service Project Reports are turned in.

Confirmation
Letter to the Pastor is due.

Feed My Starving Children service project is scheduled for Saturday June 22nd from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at their facilities in Aurora.

Registration forms for 2019/20 Religious Formation Classes are available in the narthex and on the parish web-site; www.ctswoodridge.org

HONOR YOUR MANY MOTHERS
While we are celebrating Easter time, it is a very good season to celebrate our mothers, who have brought us into life and who can teach us to begin living eternal life. There are many mothers to honor - grandmothers, godmothers, adoptive mothers, stepmothers, foster mothers, den mothers and friends' mothers. There's Mary, the Mother of God. Jesus made Mary the mother of all baptized people. There is Mother Earth; the title for our planet is one way of saying that God has made the Earth a holy home for all living things. In different ways, any one or more of these mothers has our love. Remember today to say thank you to your many different mothers. Say a special prayer of thanks for their presence in your life.

HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY!!!

CLOW Shepherds needed
Our last Children’s Liturgy of the Word for the school year will be on Pentecost Sunday June 9th! If you are interested in joining the CLOW team for next year, please contact Liz Wagner.

High school age volunteers are welcomed to help!

OPERATION RICE BOWL
It’s not too late to turn in your Rice Bowl! There is a large box in the Narthex for you to lace your bowl that you filled with your almsgiving during Lent.

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!

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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, June 6, 7:00-8:00 PM

Respect for All Life

Mother’s Day Considerations

"Mary, Mother Most Holy, You sanctified the vocation of motherhood. Pour out your heavenly aid on all mothers, and help them to be holy."

As we pray in thanksgiving for the gift of all mothers, we also specifically lift up those experiencing a crisis pregnancy, including: couples struggling with infertility, parents who have lost a child, those who have lost their own mothers, couples longing to welcome a child through adoption, and those who have been wounded by participation in abortion. Resource pamphlets in our narthex to help women address these circumstances are:

# 7 Considerations While Navigating Infertility
# Bridges of Mercy for Healing After Abortion
# Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption
# An Adoption Love Story
# 10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting

submitted by Dave A
TABERNACLE LIGHT
John & Esther Michalek

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11
4:45 PM Al Januska, r. Darlene, family & friends
John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Recipients of Project Love Mother’s Day cards
and all mothers, r. Respect for All Life Committee

Sunday, May 12
8:30 AM Josephine Borkowski, Freda Klacza and Helen Ciolek, r. Ciolek family
Cindy Giannini, r. Lee White & John Gantz
Recipients of Project Love Mother’s Day cards
and all mothers, r. Respect for All Life Committee
10:00 AM People of the Parish
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Monday, May 13
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, May 14
8:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory that are near to heaven

Wednesday, May 15
8:30 AM Betty Kozlowski, r. family & friends

Thursday, May 16
8:30 AM Almaia Custodio, Sp. Int., r. Zenaida Cruz

Friday, May 17—Communion Service
8:30 AM

Saturday, May 18
4:45 PM Al Januska, r. Darlene, family & friends
People of the Parish

Sunday, May 19
8:30 AM Stanley Farbotko, r. Lee White
10:00 AM Irene Kurtz, r. Christ the Servant Adult Choir

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

We pray for the Sick

Joe Becker
George Jaseckwsky
Robert Roche
Sharon Bhaskar
Kate Brophy
Steve Jaseckwsky
Dick Rosenbeck
Jackie Ciombor
Nathaniel Eagleson
Marie Konczalski
John Rossi
Carol Engel
Fr. Herb Essig
Ted Kozerski
Jim Sanders
Mary Farbotko
Phil Florek
Mary Lesniewski
Pat Savage
Carolyn George
Nicholas Lucarelli
Sally Krueger
Paula Sedlacek
Herb Greyson
Joe Haenke
Marta Lucarelli
John Stile
Tina Hansen
Peggy Howard
Joyce Maples
Nancy Strauel
Dorothy Hunter
Joe Haenke
Anthony Nowak
Dominic Vecchio
Adrienne Jablonowski
Rayna Januska
Gayle Newton
Rick Vendel

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.

Bible Readings—May 12-May 19

TUESDAY: Acts 1:5-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17
Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: May 1-May 6:
Sunday 5/5  $ 6,575.50
Sunday other forms         1,685.00
Easter               410.00
General Funds             250.00
Restricted             135.00
13th month               50.00
Debt Reduction          1,495.00
Total Contributed   $ 10,415.50

Differential this period:
Needed    $ 10,600.00
Reported        10,415.50
Deficit this period: $ (184.50)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Blue Jeans/Homeless $ 40.00
Home Missions 23.00

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

Debit to Diocese 4/30/19 $490,960

Registered Households—758

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...you have probably received a letter about our 13th Month donations to help pay for repairs to the driveway. ANY amount will help! Thank you!