Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Serving God from your Heart

Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.

LUKE 12:15

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
AUGUST 4, 2019

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.
Wealthy or not, there are many ways to share God’s blessings:

**Give away** gently-used clothes and household items to local charities. *(Watch for our St. Vincent DePaul collection Sept. 28/29!)*

**Buy locally** and support businesses in your neighborhood. *(Also, support the Fair Trade Fair Nov. 9/10. They may not be local, but it helps support people in need.)*

**Resist advertising:** buy only as much as you need.

**Spend time** with family and friends.

**Share** non-perishable food with local food banks. *(The West Suburban Community Pantry...drive for school supplies, food and paper products next week in the parking lot.)*

**Support** your parish and good causes with your time and skills.

**Turn off the TV** and try biking, hiking, fishing, reading, or just take a walk.

**Be good to the earth:** Reduce waste, recycle, plant a garden. *(Want to help with our Sharing Garden? Contact Cindy F or Chris B. Or join the Green Team; contact Nancy R)*

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### Manna News

Orders for Manna cards are being accepted. Orders placed by **11 am August 25** will be ready for pickup the following weekend, just in time for getting ready for Back to School and Labor Day barbecues.

Gift cards can be used like cash, so guard them carefully. One big benefit of using gift cards is that your identity is safe! *(And you can send your older kids to the store to purchase items at the last minute!)*

Help the parish painlessly by buying Manna!

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### 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report as of 7/28/19

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

We are still short of our goal for the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal. If you have not yet pledged, please support the ministries the diocese can do that we can’t do individually. In-pew envelopes are still available in the narthex, or you can make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org. If you have already pledged, please fulfill it.

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Thank you for celebrating my 60th anniversary as a Joliet Franciscan in a reception after the morning Mass on Thursday, July 25. Special thanks to Father Bob, Rita S, Donna M and Corinne H for their hospitality.

Sister Jane N, osf

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**House-Warming for the Rectory!!!!**

Move in date is rapidly approaching for the new rectory, and there are some items that are needed. Mostly things like kitchen, bathroom and bedroom linens and throw rugs, but there is a more detailed list available in the narthex. Fr. Bob also going to be registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

If you’d like to help welcome Fr. Bob into the new rectory with a gift from the “wish list”, please bring it to church on the weekend of August 24/25. There will be an open house at a later date.

(We may want help with the actual move, too, so if you are able bodied and willing, please notify the church office so we can contact you when we have an actual date.)

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**Christ the Servant Presentation:**

Seven Things Everyone Should Know About Investing

- Do you know the two major ways to invest your money? One outperforms the other 90% of the time over the long run. The other one is the method most utilized by the average investor.
- Do you know the key determinant of your investment returns over the long run?
- Do you know what one thing you can control to ensure you maximize your investment returns?
- What should you look for (and avoid) in an investment advisor?
- Have you considered how much risk you can or should take with your investments? And how to decide?
- Do you practice the ten good money management habits?

Please join parishioner Ralph Wakerly for an interactive presentation on these and related topics. Mr. Wakerly is a veteran investor, entrepreneur, educator and writer on investments. He will share essential information that is based on his more than 35 years and 11,000 hours of experience researching and managing investments and advising his family about their investments. Note: Mr. Wakerly does not sell investment advice and there will be no sales pitch. His passion is educating and helping people. You can learn more about him at www.ralphwakerly.com.

The session will be held at the Parish on August 19th at 7pm and will last 90 minutes, with ample time for Q&A and discussion.

**RSVP so we know how many people to expect. Call 630-910-0770 or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org**
Religious Formation

Grades 1-8: HAPPY SUMMER!
Remember that God hears our prayers all year long.
Classes begin September 18.

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

Please pray for our parish as we continue the search for our new Director of Religious Formation. Please do continue to register your children in the program, as soon as you are able.

Moving forward, the RF Commission has identified tasks that need to be covered that the RF director used to do, so we are looking for individuals willing to coordinate the following activities this year. You will have support from the RF Commission and the parish office. If you can act as coordinator for one of these tasks, please contact Corinne in the parish office: Some of these tasks are:

1. **Children’s Liturgy of the Word** (CLOW). Most Sunday’s during the 10 am mass. The coordinator will make sure that supplies are available, the shepherds are scheduled, the room is set up, and notifies the shepherds when it is time to take the children back into the church.

2. **First Reconciliation**. Coordinator will prepare for and run the retreat (retreat is 6:30-8pm on Monday, Oct. 21; set up earlier in the day), and set up, etc. for the First Reconciliation Service on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 10:00 am.

3. **First Eucharist**. Coordinator will prepare for and run the retreat (scheduled for Saturday, Feb 22 10 am-noon), and facilitate the First Eucharist mass (including seating assignments and obtaining liturgical ministers from a list of those available).

4. **Confirmation**. Facilitate Confirmation Commitment meeting on Sunday, Sept 22 from 11-11:30 am, keep records as students complete requirements, service projects, run 2 retreats, and collaborate in the preparation of the Confirmation liturgy.

**Want a special weekend with your spouse?**
Get away for a weekend devoted to each other, August 9-11, 2019 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL.

This is a World-Wide Marriage Encounter event, a private weekend experience including presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationship, and continues with ongoing enrichments in the community after the weekend. Learn more and apply online today!

Website: wwme-chicagoland.org
Questions? Call 630-577-0778 or email applications@wwme-chicagoland.org.
Follow WWME on facebook and twitter @WWMEChicagoland

**Can you be a part of the solution?**
Do you feel an urge to do something to help the parish, but just don’t have time to add one more thing? As long as you are at mass anyway, this is for you!!! Our parish desperately needs people to come forward to serve at mass. The jobs are not hard, and training is provided. You will have the ability to state how often you are available and for which masses.

Right now, we have only three households able to serve as host team at the 10:00 am mass, and if one family can’t make the assignment, and doesn’t find a sub (because there aren’t any available), then one team gets asked to serve simply because they are there. This is not justice.

The 10:00 has even more difficulty with Ministers of the Altar—we have only three people able to be scheduled to serve. Again, training is provided.

These ministries are ideal for families with elementary age children who would love to have something to do while at mass, teens can serve; all are welcome. All the ministries at each mass need more help, and as long as you are here anyway, why not?

Call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770.

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If you/your family would like to bring up the gifts at Mass (Bread, Wine and collection basket), 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!

+ indicates younger family member(s) may be present.

Respect for All Life

Pope Francis: Gender Theory is the Problem

"Eradicating male and female identities does nothing to solve the problem of unfair or disrespectful treatment based on people’s gender. Getting rid of the difference is the problem, NOT the solution. The right way to solve the problems and conflicts in male/female relations is to have men and women talk more to each other, listen to each other more, know each other better, care more for each other. When God created humanity in his image, he did so for man and woman together, as a couple, in a state of sharing and harmony. Sexual differentiation exists NOT for creating conflict or a situation of subordination, but for mutual cooperation and fruitfulness—for communion and generation—always in the image and likeness of God. Without mutual enrichments in a relationship, a couple can’t understand fully what it means to be a man and a woman. Modern culture has introduced many doubts and much skepticism. For example, I wonder if so called gender theory may not also be an expression of frustration and resignation that aims to erase sexual differentiation because it no longer knows how to come to terms with it. With gender theory, which argues that male and female characteristics are largely molded social constructs, we risk going backwards. God entrusted the earth to the covenant between man and woman: its failure drains the world of affection and obscures the heavens of hope."

~ Pope Francis, National Catholic Reporter, CNS News, April 2015

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, August 8, 7:00 PM
We pray for the Sick

Marlene Bacani
Sharon Bhaskar
Kate Brophy
Jackie Ciombor
Richard Cleary
Camille Delmonaco
Nathaniel Eagleson
James Engel
Fr. Herb Essig
Faith Ann Fialek
John M. Foresman
Guy Grimmelbein
Reed Gompers
Tina Hansen
Peggy Howard
Dorothy Hunter
Rayna Januska
Steve Jascewsky
Cora Jones
Jeanne Jordan
Sophia C. Kavinsky
Ted Kozerski
Sally Krueger
John Kuehn
Mark Lesniewski
S. Suzanne Lesniowski
Joyce Maples
Lucy Mathai
Mathew Mathai
James McIlvain, III
Carmella Morris
Michael Mouchon
Chuck Neal
Erica Neidlinger
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Alie Phillips
Joel Rivera
Robert Roche
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Jim Sanders
Jerry Schultz
Paula Sedlacek
Justin Simpson
Wanda Slupik
Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
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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.

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Bible Readings—Aug. 4-Aug. 11

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Mass Intentions for the Week

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
Luke Hanusiak & Joe Houston

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, August 3**
4:45 PM Joseph Patrick Bacani, r. family
John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Helen Kolodziej, r. Peslak family

**Sunday, August 4**
8:30 AM Theresa & Timothy McIlvain, Jr.
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Al Kikilas, r. Pat & Debi Savage
Steve Wirtas, Sp. Int., r. Bernie Kestler

**Monday, August 5**
8:30 AM Tommy Dongarra, r. Ron & Carol Calabrese

**Tuesday, August 6**
8:30 AM Jacob Joppa, r. Jackie Nemec

**Wednesday, August 7**
8:30 AM Jim Ruff, r. Donna Mays

**Thursday, August 8**
8:30 AM Verna Czaja, r. Arlene Czaja

**Friday, August 10—Communion Service**
8:30 AM

**Saturday, August 11**
4:45 PM Wanda Mierzwa, r. Gloria Johnson
Rosemarie Kenna, r. Darlene Januska

**Sunday, August 12**
8:30 AM Stanley Farbotko, r. Lee White
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Alice Maltese, r. Rosanne Maltese
Carol Engel, r. Deacon Tom & Joanne Fricke

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.

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Jesus urges us to be rich in what matters to God. The psalmist warns us against hardening our hearts. Are our hearts open to what really matters?

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2019-2020**

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**CONTRIBUTIONS: July 24-July 30:**

- Sunday 7/28: $5,899.50
- Sunday other forms: $1,005.00
- General Funds: $100.00
- 13th month: $500.00
- Debt Reduction: $165.00
- Total Contributed: $7,669.50

**Differential this week:**

- Needed: $10,600.00
- Reported: $7,669.50
- Deficit this period: $(2,930.50)

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**

- Diocesan Cemeteries: $40.00
- Homeless/Bridges: $200.00
- General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.: $2,930.50

**Parish Giving**

- Debt to Diocese 6/30/19: $467,345
- Registered Households: 755
- Thank you for your generous support!

**Did you know...** if you want to help provide things to welcome Fr. Bob into the new rectory, please check out the “wish list” in the narthex, and bring your gift the weekend of Aug. 24/25.

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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**

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

**Pastoral Staff**

- Fr. Bob Duda, Pastor  
  FrBob@ctswoodridge.org
- Tom Fricke, Permanent Deacon  
  dcnfricke@ctswoodridge.org
- Rod Accardi, Permanent Deacon  
  dcnaccardi@ctswoodridge.org
- Corinne Hanson, Bus. Mgr  
  Ext. 102
- Religious Formation Office  
  Ext. 103
- Janet Alikpala, Music Director  
  janet@ctswoodridge.org  
  Ext. 104
- Pat Savage, Administrative Assistant

**Commission Chairpersons**

- Elena Haas, Pastoral Council Co-Chair
- Jim McIlvain, Administration/Finance
- Denice Kraft, Christian Service
- Rosada Heintz, Parish Life Co-Chair
- Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation
- Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship
- Barb Kosiek, Worship Co-Chair

**Calendar of Events**

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**Upcoming Events**

**Religious Formation Classes** are accepting registrations for the 19/20 school year. See page 4.

**Aug 15:** Assumption Holy Day of Obligation. Masses 8:30 am & 7 pm

**Aug 19:** 7:00 pm. Investment Seminar by parishioner Ralph Wakerly

**Aug 23:** Family Movie Night! 6:30-8:00 pm, Free popcorn. Bring a chair.

**Oct 11:** Oktoberfest! Mark your calendar now!

**Oct 20:** Confirmation class of 2019 at St. Scholastica

The surest way to avoid pessimism and despair is to take what immediate action we can—and there is always something to be done.

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