Christ the Servant Catholic Church
Serving God from your Heart

**T**wenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**S**eptember 29, 2019

“Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue.”

*Luke 16:24*

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**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.
Peace entails a conversion of heart and soul. It is a challenge that demands to be taken up ever anew.

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

Living Stewardship Now
Give blood, donate winter clothing, or give non-perishable food supplies to local charities. (Such as this weekend’s St. Vincent DePaul drive, and the West Suburban Community Food Pantry.)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE. Downers Grove is one of 375 cities participating in the largest "40 Days for Life" Campaign EVER from Wednesday, Sept 25 to Sunday, November 3. Sign up sheets are on the table in the narthex.

Join in prayer: (opening ceremony Sept 29 @ 3pm at 1700 75th St, Downers Grove)
1. For the unborn an hour a day or an hour a week to peacefully pray at the vigil site, 1700 75th St, Downers Grove. Sign up for hours at: http://40daysforlife.com/local-campaign/downers-grove. Your prayerful presence could save a baby’s life!
2. Or join in saying the rosary before or after weekday masses for the unborn.
3. Or fast from a TV program, a dessert, or make a small sacrifice for the unborn.
4. Or spiritually adopt an unborn baby and say the prayer recommended by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. Prayer cards are available on the table in the narthex.

"Pray, pray very much. Make sacrifices for sinners. Many souls go to hell, because no one is willing to sacrifice and pray for them." Our Lady of Fatima

OCTOBER: Month of the HOLY ROSARY and Respect for Life From Conception to Natural Death Month:
Join in saying the rosary prior to the following masses during October.
• Weekdays before and after the 8:30 am Mass and on Friday before and after Communion Service.
• Saturday at 4:10 pm in the Eucharistic Chapel
October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and the 102nd Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun in Portugal. Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and Patroness of the Unborn, Pray for Us!

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: Share a special Hour with Jesus as we pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of the Sacred Heart, and the Stations of the Cross.
WHEN: Friday, October 4, 2019, after the Communion Service.
WHERE: Christ the Servant’s Eucharistic Chapel (on the right after you enter the worship space.)

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as we TRUST in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the Power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH: Do we recognize that all life is a gift? Even our own life is a gift. We go about our daily lives working, enjoying life, praying for good health, and trying to make ends meet; we have worries and concerns. We use phrases such as “my life” or “our lives”; yet, truly we are the lives God has graciously given us. Sometimes we can be like the tenants in the parable who have begun to assume that all is theirs. During Respect Life Month, let us be grateful and pray in thanksgiving for the gift of our life, our family, friends and the unborn.

2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report as of 9/22/19
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.

| PARISH GOAL: | $40,400 | AMOUNT PLEDGED: | $38,194 |
| AMOUNT PAID: | $32,980 | REMAINING BALANCE: | $ 5,214 |
| DONORS THIS YEAR: | 226 | REBATE AMOUNT: | none yet. |
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.

Next Weekend’s MINISTERS—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Liturgical color: green)

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**ALTER MIN:**
- Robert T
- Rosemary T

**EXT. MINISTERS:**
- Karen J
- Steve J
- Donna M
- Pat S
- Rita S

**LECTORS:**
- Vince D
- Bob C

**HOST TEAMS:**
- Dick D
- Gloria D

**Sunday October 6**
- Betty P
- Ernie P
- John C
- Cindy F
- Jose S
- Melanie S
- Donna C
- Virginia A
- Anthony A
- Jeanine A+

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Respect for All Life

Christ Is Our Hope: In Every Season Of Life

"The Gospel of Life is the heart of Jesus’ message"

--- Pope John Paul II

Each October during Respect Life Month, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops launches a new cycle of the Respect Life Program—a nationwide effort to help Catholics understand, value, and help cultivate respect for human life. This year’s theme (the above title) is particularly suited for our times. Attacks against human life seem to grow more numerous. Still, we know that Christ has conquered sin and death once and for all. Through our hope in the Resurrection, we are given the grace to persevere in faith.

Our sacrifices on behalf of the Gospel of Life can contribute to the redemption of the current culture of death. The Church’s teaching on the value of life remains an indispensable source of truth for all people. To build a true culture of life, we must seek to change hearts and minds. And our witness is essential.

--- by Rev. Joseph Naumann, USCCB Pro Life Chairman 2019

---“To be truly a people at the service of life, we must propose these truths constantly and courageously...in catechesis and preaching, in personal dialogue, and in all educational activity.” Pope John Paul II

---Please refer to Respect for All Life insert in this weekend's bulletin. If interested in learning more, please call one of our members

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, October 3, 7:00 PM
TABERNACLE LIGHT
Henry Bond & Noel Canto

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
Saturday, September 28
4:45 PM Tommy Dongarra, r. Ron & Carol Calabrese
Ruff Family, r. Donna Mays
People of the Parish

Sunday, September 29
8:30 AM Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister
Mark Beno, r. Steve & Karen Jackson
10:00 AM Barb Pesola, r. Jennifer & Paul Paluch

Monday, September 30
8:30 AM Lilly Mary

Tuesday, October 1
8:30 AM Betty Kozlowski, r. family & friends

Wednesday, October 2
8:30 AM Mark Beno, r. Pat Savage

Thursday, October 3
8:30 AM Mark Beno, r. Donna Mays

Friday, October 4—Communion Service
8:30 AM

Saturday, October 5
4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Jozefa Kornaf, r. Dan & Janet Szymanski

Sunday, October 6
8:30 AM Stanley Farbotko, r. Lee White
Bernice C. Deron, r. Jim Naso & Betty Vitale
Michael Johnson, r. Maryrose George
Skip Evans, r. Tim Mcllvain
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Mom & Dad Kolodziej, r. Peslak family

Next week, there will be no mass Tuesday through Thursday while Fr. Bob is away at the Priests’ Convocation.

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

Bible Readings—Sept. 29-Oct. 6

SUNDAY: Am 6:1a,4-7 / 1 Tm 6:11-16 / Lk 16:19-31
MONDAY: Zec 8:1-8 / Lk 9:46-50
TUESDAY: Zec 8:20-23 / Lk 9:51-56
WEDNESDAY: Neh 2:1-8 / Mt 18:1-5,10
THURSDAY: Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12 / Lk 10:1-12
FRIDAY: Bar 1:15-22 / Lk 10:13-16
SATURDAY: Bar 4:5-12,27-29 / Lk 10:17-24
SUNDAY: Hb 1:2-3,2:2-4 / 2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14 / Lk 17:5-10

We pray for the Sick

Marlene Bacani
Sharon Bhaskar
Maria Coronado
Nathaniel Eagleson
James Engel
Fr. Herb Essig
Faith Ann Fialek
John M. Foresman
Guy Grimmelbein
Bill Haas
Tina Hansen
Jim Henry
Fr. Jim Hoffman
Peggy Howard
Rayna Januska
Steve Jascewsky
Cora Jones
Jeanne Jordan
Sophia C. Kavinsky
Ted Kozerski
Sally Krueger
John Kuehn
S.Suzanne Lesniowski
Joyce Maples
Lucy Mathai
Mathew Mathai
James Mcllvain, III
Joyce Miller
Lucille Miller
Carmella Morris
Chuck Neal
Erica Neidlinger
Bob Nemec
Linda Nichols
Larry Niciol
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Alie Phillips
Joel Rivera
Robert Roche
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Ken Ruh
Jim Sanders
Jerry Schultz
Paula Sedlacek
Justin Simpson
Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
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 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.

October 11
Oktoberfest!
6-11 pm, here at CTS.
Tickets now on sale!
Get yours soon.
Order forms available for download from our website.: www.ctswoodridge.org
The sin of the rich man in today’s parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life? What am I doing to help?

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2019-2020**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS: Sept 18-Sept 24:**

- Sunday 9/22: $5,931.27
- Sunday other forms: $832.00
- 13th Month: $515.00
- Restricted Use: $1.00
- Debt Reduction: $192.00
- Total Contributed: $7,471.27

**Differential this week:**

- Needed: $10,600.00
- Reported: $7,471.27
- Deficit this period: $(3,128.73)

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**

- Diocesan Cemeteries: $10.00
- Debt to Diocese 8/31/19: $553,096
- Registered Households—756

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know…the beautiful butterfly garden on the south side of the office wing is in memory of Joan English, and was designed and maintained by members of her family.