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**

The Lord tells us not only to carry out works of charity, to pray, and to fast, but also to do these without pretense, duplicity, and hypocrisy.

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**Living God’s Word**

Jesus is always ready to speak the truth about each of us and pour divine love into our hearts. Is your heart hardened, are your ears closed to the whole truth? Are you sharing the living water that you have received?

**Electronic Recycling Event**

Mark your calendar for April 18, from 8:30-11:30 am, for our next Electronics Recycling Event, here in the CTS Parking Lot!

Items accepted include computers and peripherals, office equipment & products, small home appliances, home improvement products, and home entertainment items. CRT, Flat Screens, Projection TVs and Monitors require a fee by cash or credit card (no checks). Screens under 21 inches are $25 each, 21” and over are $35 each.

This event is sponsored by the Green Team for our entire community.

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**St Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive**

Volunteers & Donations needed

Mark your calendars for the weekend of March 28th and 29th

It’s a little early this year.

Get your clothes and household items ready.

Want to help with collections?

Contact Ted B
Basta_ops@ameritech.net

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**Over 55 Ladies Club**

**Ladies Lunch Out**

Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 1:30 PM

at

1001 W 75th St, Woodridge

To assure your reservation, you MUST call the coordinator no later than March 20.

This month’s coordinator to call is Donna M

If you don’t call, you won’t have a seat.

New members welcome!

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Order forms for Manna gift cards are available in the narthex. Whether for gift giving or for your own shopping, gift cards are safe to use—no chance of identity theft!

Orders are due with payment at 11 am, March 29.
Welcome to our parish family:
Thomas & Kimberly F
Witham Ln, Woodridge

If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available each weekend on the table in the narthex. Pick up a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!

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 regulation, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.)

40 Days for Life is a beautiful opportunity to join others in prayer, fasting, keeping vigil, and reaching out to the community. Through God, lives are changed during 40 Days for Life; people at various peaceful prayer locations have helped women embrace life for their children, watched as abortion clinic workers have quit their jobs, and seen some clinics close completely. We often forget the incredible power of prayer and loving witness, but 40 Days for Life reminds us of the fruits of dialogue with the Lord and others.

Register online (or at the table in the Narthex) at https://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove and reserve hours to pray at the vigil site on the calendar at https://www.40daysforlife.com/vigil-hours-signup.aspx?id=3276.

Questions? Call 630-464-5344 or email 40DaysDG@gmail.com
Religious Formation

There are a lot of things going on at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. To help our RF kids get more out of the Mass some of the students have been learning about the sacred items used, the reasons behind the rituals and the meaning of the words you will find at Church. This is one of the things that they have learned:

The sacred vessel used to hold the bread that becomes the body of Jesus after the priest says the words of consecration is called ciborium which comes from the Greek word kiborion. During the presentation of the gifts, the ciborium is brought up and placed on the altar. Ciboria, which is the plural form of ciborium, is used to distribute Holy Communion to the faithful. In the early church, the word was used to refer to a covering or canopy over the altar. In the middle ages, it referred to the tower where Jesus in the Eucharist was kept. Later, ciborium came to refer to the vessel with a cover and a base that resembles a chalice and which held the Eucharist. Today, the ciborium often looks more like a dish with a cover.

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A Reminder
All Confirmation projects and paperwork are due or are past due and should be turned in as soon as possible to be considered for Confirmation for this year. Confirmation for Christ the Servant’s Confirmandi is scheduled for April 18th, 2020.

Experience the Unconditional Love Christ Has for You In “No Greater Love”

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, No Greater Love is a five-part video series and full-length book that reveals Christ’s amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ’s life in this biblical pilgrimage. While taking this study or reading this book, you will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary. Every step of the way, biblical experts reveal how Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ’s suffering and death. With these insights, Catholics can come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of God’s immeasurable and unconditional love—drawing closer to Jesus than ever have before.

No Greater Love Bible study program’s video will be shown at Christ the Servant on Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 PM and will continue on Thursday night’s throughout Lent. No Greater Love Bible study can also be done individually or as a family by simply purchasing the Online Video Access for $9.95 from ascensionpress.com. A study pack designed to be used with the videos can also be purchased separately for $25 or just the book No Greater Love can be purchased for $15.

For more information: Contact Christine Goba, 630-910-0770 ext 103, Christine@ctswoodridge.org or cgoba@rcdoj.org

Hotline Numbers for Help

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Respect for All Life

Reproductive Health (?) Act in Illinois: Part 2

Last year, on this 3rd weekend of March we wrote in this column: “Illinois House Bill 2495 and Senate Bill 1942, labeled the Reproductive Health (?) Act, contains many harmful provisions.” Unfortunately, many provisions of the act are now law in Illinois. And some protections are currently in danger. As March 17 primary Election Day in Illinois draws near, so does the expected challenge of keeping Illinois’ parental notice of abortion in place. Current law requires only that a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. It does NOT require consent. The law provides for exceptions and includes a judicial waiver for those children who have been physically or sexually abused. Every state bordering Illinois (Wisconsin, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Iowa) require at least parental notification. The Illinois Supreme Court (unanimously) and 7th Circuit Court of Appeals have both found the law to be constitutional. Three advocacy days will be offered in March and April—two dioceses teaming up each day. Contact Joliet diocese /15-221-6100 Respect Life Office to sign up for a Springfield trip.

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, April 2, 7:00 PM
Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT
Leonila Harting and Ron Ibe

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
Saturday, March 14
4:45 PM  Ron Welton, r. Jim & Alie Phillips
Joseph Riedl, Sr, r. Lorraine & family
People of the Parish

Sunday, March 15
8:30 AM  Josephine Borkowski, r. Ciolek family
10:00 AM  Sylvia Cordes, r. Vic Cordes

Monday, March 16
8:30 AM  Tommy Dongarra, r. Ron & Carol Calabrese

Tuesday, March 17
8:30 AM  Dennis & Kenny families, r. Pat Savage
Regina Zdenovec, r. family

Wednesday, March 18
8:30 AM  Leonila Harting, r. family

Thursday, March 19
8:30 AM  Bob Ramsay, r. John & JoAnn Frale

Friday, March 20—Communion Service
8:30 AM

Saturday, March 21
4:45 PM  Suzanne Miller, r. Karen & Steve Jackson
Ron Welton, r. Dick & Gloria DuSatko
James Moran, r. Darlene Januska

Sunday, March 15
8:30 AM  Lucille Mackey, r. Marge Buch
People of the Parish
10:00 AM  Sylvia Cordes, r. Vic Cordes

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

We pray for the Sick

Sharon Bhaskar, Bishop Conlon
Richard Kellner, LaVergne Kozerski
Alie Phillips, Loli Ranchero
Dan Crane & family, Ted Kozerski, Robert Roche
Dick DuSatko, Barb Kosiek, Dick Rosenbeck
John M. Foresman, Sally Krueger, John Rossi
George Geinopolos, Julie Lape, Jim Sanders
Guy Grimmelbein, S. Suzanne Lesniewski, Paula Sedlacek
Barry Hanen, Joyce Maples, Marjorie Stuedemann
Carol Harris, Chuck Neal, Dan Szymanski
Carol Hendrich, Anthony Nowak, Frank Tiesenga
Ken Horvath, Jim O’Brien, Judy Wethington
Rayna Januska, Toni Pendergast, Svienna Wildoer
Steve Jascewsky, Linda Pennock
Jeanne Jordan, Betty Peterek

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

Roy Gagnard
(step-father of Marcia Lynch)

Don Fassero
(husband of Tina)

Josefina Mendez
(wife of Arturo)

Margaret Hodson
(sister of Madeleine Jascewsky)

Helen Boyle
(aunt of Ginny McIlvain)

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
Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove
Brandon Januska, grandson of Darlene Januska
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Chuck Durran
Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Jim Sheehan, godson of Liz Wagner
Dan Ward, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward
David Jackson, son of Cathleen & Richard Jackson, has returned safely home! Praise God.

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—Mar. 15-Mar. 22

SUNDAY: Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2,5-8 /
Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42
MONDAY: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b / Lk 4:24-30
TUESDAY: Dn 3:25,34-43 / Mt 18:21-35
WEDNESDAY: Dt 4:1,5-9 / Mt 5:17-19
THURSDAY: 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 / Rom 4:13,16-18,22 /
Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a
FRIDAY: Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34
SATURDAY: Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14
SUNDAY: 1 Sm 16:1b,6-7,10-13a / Eph 5:8-14 /
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38
When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2019-2020
Parish Expenses $ 7,700.00
Debt Payment 2,900.00
Total Needed $ 10,600.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Mar 4-Mar 10:
Sunday 3/8  $ 6,204.99
Sunday other forms 1,407.00
General Funds 280.00
Easter Décor 195.00
Debt Reduction 833.00
Total Contributed $ 8,919.99

Differential this period:
Needed $ 10,600.00
Reported 8,919.99
Deficit this period: $ (1,680.01)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Restricted 30.00

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.
Debt to Diocese 2/29/2020 $628,623
Registered Households—769

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...there’s a small sinkhole in the northwest side of the old parking lot. We’re getting it checked, but ask that you be careful around the orange cones, and please start saving your pennies for restoration of the old parking lot.

Upcoming Events
Mar 23: Lenten Reconciliation Service, 7 pm
Mar 28-29: St. Vincent DePaul clothing drive
April 4/5: Palm Sunday services, 4:45 pm Saturday, 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday
Apr 9: Holy Thursday, 7 pm
Apr 10: Good Friday liturgy, 3 pm
Apr 10: Living Stations of the Cross, 7 pm