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.
Age-old wisdom has proposed these words as a sacred rule to be followed in life.

Loving God, you give us life. You nurture and guide us and ask us to call you Father. Bless our fathers, stepfathers, adoptive fathers, grandfathers, uncles, priests, friends, and other men who have helped to father us, modeling their care on your own unchanging love and protection. Teach us to respect and honor them always. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

Please Be Kind and Merciful to those in need. A mailing has been sent to all parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Please prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA, if your means allow.

The CMAA helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide vital ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in need, especially during these unprecedented times. Christ the Servant parishioners—you are amazing in your generosity. Thank you for your support!

The easiest way to make a gift is online at jolietdioceseappeal.org or text "Donate" to (815) 205-1949 from your mobile phone.

2020 GOAL $40,300  AMOUNT PLEDGED: $46,509
AMOUNT PAID: $37,527  REMAINING BALANCE: $8,892
DONORS THIS YEAR: 226  REBATE AMOUNT: none yet.

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
**Reflecting on God’s Word**

“Fear no one,” this week’s Gospel blithely reminds us (Matthew 10:26). Understood, but also easier said than done.

“Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul” (10:28). Okay, but we tend to grow attached to our bodies and hope to keep them a while longer.

“[D]o not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows” (10:31). But also one sparrow in the hand is worth two in the bush. We tend to go with what we have.

The fact is that most of us are not Jeremiah, who said what he believed even to the point of alienating just about everyone around him. To be Jeremiah can sometimes be just too intimidating. In short, we like our bodies as well as our souls, and so we let our fears get in the way of being the Christians we wish to be.

Nevertheless, every once in a while the Jeremiah strain in each of us does show itself. We speak up for what is right, realizing that if we do not, perhaps no one else will either. And so we say what must be said, maybe not shouting it from the rooftops but at least from the porch of the spirit in which our soul dwells. And after we’ve done so, miracle of miracles, we realize we are no longer afraid.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

**Living God’s Word**

Sometimes the only way to deal with a fear is to fight through the fear. That has a way of dispelling its power over us. So we find ourselves trying to live by the example of Jesus and trusting in his wisdom.

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**Creation Care Corner**

*Taking action to protect God’s great gift to us*  
— Mother Earth

“...the moral implications underlying the ecological problem is the lack of respect for life...”

— Pope John Paul II

**THIS WEEK’S STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:**

**Compost.** Food scraps and yard waste together currently make up about 30 percent of what we throw away, so consider composting instead. Making compost keeps these materials out of landfills where they take up space and release methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Your compost can then be used to enrich soil and reduce the need for fertilizer. For convenience, try using an airtight receptacle in your kitchen for interim storage of scraps to reduce trips to your outdoor composter. More info at https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home.

**EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES**

An Educational Program presented by the Alzheimer’s Association and Catholic Charities

*When:* Wednesday, June 24, 2020, 2-3:30 pm  
*Platform:* Zoom or phone  
*Register:* [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN_QdXAskFnQkO4oPBQW_dsdbQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN_QdXAskFnQkO4oPBQW_dsdbQ)

Communication is more than just talking and listening—it’s also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, and body language. As the disease progresses, individuals living with Alzheimer’s or other dementias lose the ability to use words, but families can find new ways to connect.

Join us to explore how communication change when someone is living with Alzheimer’s, learn how to interpret the verbal and behavioral communication, and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each sage of the disease.

Visit alz.org/CRF to explore additional education programs in your area. Questions? Call Amanda at 815-310-5816.

*Catholic Charities* is a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same. This program is provided through the generous support of Rivers Gives.
Registration for Religious Formation

It is time to start registering for the 2020-2021 Religious Formation classes! Keep an eye out for your registration packet coming in the mail and also emailed. RF registration information can also be found at www.ctswoodridge.org Whatever the covid-19 situation brings us this Fall, Religious Formation is prepared to help your child to grow in their faith and in their relationship with Jesus. RF is prepared to continue formation classes in a distant learning environment, in person or a combination of both remote and traditional classroom. Whatever it takes, we are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and last Friday was the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has come down through the years and has been written about by many saints. One of the Saints devoted to the Lord’s Sacred Heart was St. Gertrude of Saxony, who described Jesus’ Heart as a, “treasury in which all riches are contained and again as a harp which is played upon by the Holy Spirit. His heart was also represented as a fountain from which waters flow to refresh the souls in purgatory, strengthen those on earth and fill the blessed in heaven with incomparable delights.” St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, whom Jesus revealed his enflamed heart to, is the image used for the Sacred Heart today. Jesus told St. Margaret, “My divine heart is so inflamed with love for men…being unable any longer to contain within itself the flames of its burning love” and “Behold this Heart which has so loved men as to spare itself nothing, even to exhausting and consuming itself, to testify to them its love.” Through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, all of us can encounter this faithful love of God. Even if we have never felt loved, being loved is an ever-present reality and a promise that directly comes from God. “I have loved you with an everlasting love, therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you” (Jeremiah 31:3). St. Augustine said, “God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us to love.” Really the devotion to the Sacred Heart is more about God’s devotion to us than our devotion to God.

So, if you want to be apart of the greatest love story, then turn in prayer to Jesus’ Sacred Heart, where we can experience closeness with God and the true love of his heart. Through His love he sets us straight, conquers our fears and completes us. “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens and I will give you rest... for I am gentle and humble in heart and you will find rest for your souls” (Matthew 11:28-29). Just as, the apostle John rested his head upon Jesus’ heart at the Last Supper, go too and rest your head upon His Sacred Heart and experience God’s love.

St. Scholastica Catholic School invites families with students in grades K-8 to consider a Catholic education for their children. Gospel Values, Academic Excellence and a Servant’s Heart are goals for the students. Phone 630-985-2515 or email ldriscoll@stscholasticaschool.org for information.
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

Sacramental Information

Respect for All Life

Dad’s Big Day—
and Influence

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Not all the volunteers are able to help every week, so we would appreciate having more who can help serve on an occasional basis. We can provide information on the duties of each job, on the job training, and everlasting gratitude.

Contact the parish office (630-910-0770) to be directed to the Team Captain for each of the special reopening jobs. Thank you immensely for considering helping.

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TABERNACLE LIGHT
Intentions of Pat Savage (4/5)

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
We are reassigning masses from when masses were canceled. The original date the mass was scheduled is listed in parentheses after the listing.

Saturday, June 20—Pray for all Fathers
4:45 PM Dennis & Czerwinski families, r. Pat Savage
Intentions of our Blessed Mother, r. Pat Savage
Ron Welton, r. Dick & Gloria DuSatko (3/21)

Sunday, June 21—Pray for all Fathers
8:30 AM Henry Borkowski, r. Ciolek family
Edwin Ciolek, r. Ciolek family
Richard Buch, r. Marge Buch & family
10:00 AM Pellegrino Perricone, r. family friend
Don Fassero, r. Greg & Cheryl Feltz
People of the Parish

Monday, June 22
8:30 AM Patricia Knotts, r. Bernie Kestler (5/4)

Tuesday, June 23
8:30 AM Betty Kozlowski, r. family & friends

Wednesday, June 24
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, June 25
8:30 AM Patricia Knotta, r. Robert & Rosemary Thomas (4/23)

Friday, June 26
8:30 AM

Saturday, June 27
4:45 PM Ron Welton, r. Cathy Baker
Susan Abrami Mullally
James Moran, r. Darlene Januska (3/21)
Pauline Dennis, r. Pat & Debi Savage (3/28)

Sunday, June 28
8:30 AM Rino LaPaglia, anniversary of death
Betty Peterek, r. Sharon Bhaskar
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Don Fassero, r. Rich & Helene Peslak
Pellegrino Perricone, r. family friend

Bible Readings—June 21-June 28

SUNDAY: Jer 20:10-13 / Rom 5:12-15 / Mt 10:26-33
MONDAY: 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15а,18 / Mt 7:1-5
TUESDAY: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36 / Mt 7:6,12-14
THURSDAY: 2 Kgs 24:6-17 / Mt 7:21-29
FRIDAY: 2 Kgs 25:1-12 / Mt 8:1-4
SATURDAY: Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19 / Mt 8:5-17
SUNDAY: 2 Kgs 4:8-11,14-16а / Rom 6:3-48-11 / Mt 10:37-42

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

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson
Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran
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.

Brandon Januska, grandson of Darlene Januska is home from Kuwait. Praise God for his safe return.

FATHERHOOD
When a father gives to his son, both laugh;
when a son gives to his father, both cry.

—William Shakespeare
The psalmist assures us that “the Lord hears the poor.” Often, however, He answers their need through the generous gifts of good stewards.

See Psalm 69

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2019-2020

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

CONTRIBUTIONS June 9-June 16:
Sunday 6/14—next week $ 0.00
Sunday other forms 5,314.00
General Funds 70.00
Debt Reduction 501.00
Total Contributed $ 5,885.00

Differential this period:
Needed $10,600.00
Reported 5,885.00
Deficit this period: ($ 4,715.00)

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS:
Homeless under the Bridges $ 100.00
Peter’s Pence 20.00
Diocesan cemeteries 10.00

Did you know…it was so nice to have a regular mass schedule last week! We had about half the capacity we are allowed in attendance. Remember, you are welcome to come to mass as long as you feel safe in doing so. We have some marvelous volunteers helping things go smoothly and stay clean, and could use some more helpers. Contact the parish office if you can volunteer, even if it’s only one week a month.

Leave a Legacy.
Where there’s a will...there’s a way to Leave a Legacy for our parish. Please remember our parish in your will. You lawyer can add a simple, inexpensive amendment (codicil) to your existing will. Learn more by calling the Development office at 815-221-6100.

To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on “Donate”, then click on “Stock Donations”