Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple — amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.

Matthew 10:42

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 cannot enter into hard or ideological hearts. The Lord enters into hearts that are like His: hearts that are open and compassionate.

As long as the number allowed at mass is restricted, Fr. Bob will be recording a mass, and it will be posted at 9 am Sunday on the YouTube channel christtheservant.

Christ the Servant Sharing Garden

This month we harvested and delivered over 15 pounds of food to the West Suburban Food Pantry!

We sent over lettuce, Swiss chard and kale in May and June. Coming soon, tomatoes, cucumbers and green beans!

A sincere thank you to everyone who has supported the Christ the Servant Sharing Garden this season!

We would appreciate a donation of a new or used lockable storage bin, and/or a small patio table for the sharing garden.

Chris and Cindy

Contact us if you would like to contribute to this effort!

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: $46,684
AMOUNT PAID: $38,167 REMAINING BALANCE: $8,517
DONORS THIS YEAR: 229 REBATE AMOUNT: none yet.

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
Do you want to come to mass at church, but don’t feel quite comfortable coming inside yet? There is an option—listen to mass from your car on the frequency 88.3 FM. (Reception will be best from the north end of the original parking lot.)

At communion time, a minister will come outside the entrance doors of the church to distribute communion. Please be sure to observe the safety rules of wearing a mask, using hand sanitizer, and practicing social distancing.

Are you glad to be coming back into the church to worship? If so, try to say “thank you” to the volunteers who are making it possible. Without the setup, greeting, ushering, and the cleaning helpers, we wouldn’t be allowed to have mass.

Can you help? More helpers would mean that these dedicated volunteers would be able to have a weekend off duty sometimes. Please contact the office to be referred to the team leaders to get you scheduled.

“Living our vocation to be protectors of God’s handiwork is essential to a life of virtue.”
—Pope Francis

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION: Cool Efficiently.

Making smart decisions about air conditioning can have a big effect on your utility bills, comfort, and air pollution.

— A dirty air filter slows down air flow and wastes energy. At a minimum, change the filter every three months in peak seasons.

— Close curtains or shades during the day on south and west facing windows for a 3-5% savings.

— A programmable thermostat can save you about $180 every year in energy costs. No need to cool the house when you’re gone.

— If AC equipment is old and needs updating, consider replacing it with an Energy Star system for additional annual savings.

— Maintain your weather stripping and check insulation.
Religious Formation

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.

New Curriculum for Religious Formation

New for next year, RF is making serious plans to stem the loss of faith of our kids. A recent PEW surveys shows that religion is on a steep decline for our youth and that those age 18 – 29 selected “none” as their religious affiliation 39% of the time. This is up from 23% in the 2006 PEW survey. This will grow to 50% by 2023, if left unabated. What that means for us at Christ the Servant is that only four of last year’s 1st graders will believe in God when they leave for college.

Research has also shown that this loss in faith in young adults actually started before adulthood in their preteen years. It is in the ages of 10-13 that most of our kids become familiar with secular myths that misstate the facts and leads to becoming apathetic and skeptical of God. Without a proper explanation and response to these secular misunderstandings of God, or without the fostering of a real and vibrant relationship with God, we cannot expect to keep our kids in the Church.

We, as a community, cannot continue to teach the fundamental tenets of our faith and deny the devastation that occurs in our kids’ faith lives. How can we just stand by and watch our kids as they live without the hope and healing that God brings to their lives. With the alarming rate of young adults that are becoming disassociated with religion and losing any kind of belief in God, we need, as parents and parishioners, to seriously consider what this might mean for our own children and for our Parish.

Religious Formation has made plans to bring in the Credible Catholic 7 modules program to directly take on these secular myths. Parents will also be invited to participate if they wish. The book series Chosen and the video series Search, that take a modern culture and a faith journey approach to the questions of faith in God will also be used this coming year.
Religious Freedom
We are living in trying times so we must do ALL we can to protect our freedoms and support life from conception to natural death. What better way than to pray the Rosary daily!

“Blessed is the Nation whose God is the Lord.”
Psalm 33:12
God bless America! Stay Safe!

If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, we will be a nation gone under.

Ronald Reagan

Respect for All Life

6 Men Ordained to the Priesthood in the Joliet Diocese
On Saturday June 20th, at the Ordination Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raymond, 6 men answered the call to serve as priests in the Joliet Diocese:
--- Deacon Andrew Buchanan -- a Joliet native whose family attended Presbyterian church -- he developed a strong band with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and was welcomed by Fathers Jeff Stoneberg, Matt Pratscher, and Burke Masters.
--- Deacon Jose Menemil P. Cerna -- from Philippines -- he was inspired by his father who died in 1984, when Jose was 11.
--- Deacon Michael Groth -- from Kankakee St Martin of Tours School--his 3rd grade teacher Sr. Rose Urbanczyk ("one day you'll be a priest") and Pastor Fr. Dennis Settles believed in him.
--- Deacon James Guarascio -- from Sts. Peter and Paul parish, and Benet Academy H.S. -- his vocation inspired by discernment group meetings.
--- Deacon Ramon Sida III -- high school seminary in Mexico -- determined to become proficient in English to join his parents in America, with their strong faith witness.
--- Deacon Peter Infanger -- he's 65 yrs. old, his wife died in 2013, he has children and grandchildren -- his son (a Milwaukee priest), advised his dad to "let go of the world and consider the priesthood."
Please pray for our new Joliet Diocesan priests as they meet their new Catholic congregations.

Submitted by Dave F

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, July 11, 7:00 PM
TABERNACLE LIGHT

Gerald Johnson (3/29)

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 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 Pslak
Pellegrino Perricone, r. family friend

Monday, June 29

8:30 AM  Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon
family

Tuesday, June 30

8:30 AM  Betty Peterek, r. Sharon Bhaskar (3/31)

Wednesday, July 1

8:30 AM  People of the Parish

Thursday, July 2

8:30 AM  Lilly Mary (4/2)

Friday, July 3

8:30 AM

Saturday, July 4

4:45 PM  John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Ann Redding, r. family (3/28)
Betty Peterek, r. Bernie Kestler (3/28)

Sunday, July 5

8:30 AM  Anontio Masaquel, Jesus Masaquel & family
Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister (3/29)
10:00 AM  Roy Gagnard, r. Andie Wolfe
Don Fassero, r. Bill & Donna Ciolek (4/12)
People of the Parish

Bible Readings—June 28-July 5

SUNDAY: 2 Kgs 4:8-11,14-16a / Rom 6:3-48-11 / Mt 10:37-42
TUESDAY: Am 3:1-8;4:11-12 / Mt 8:23-27
WEDNESDAY: Am 5:14-15,21-24 / Mt 8:28-34
THURSDAY: Am 7:10-17 / Mt 9:1-8
FRIDAY: Eph 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29
SATURDAY: Am 9:11-15 / Mt 9:14-17 (alternate possible)
SUNDAY: Zec 9:9-10 / Rom 8:9,11-13 /Mt 11:25-30

We pray for the Sick

Sarah Becker Rayna Januska Alie Phillips
Sharon Bhaskar Steve Jascewsky William Podborny
Fred Cimaglio Jeanne Jordan Lollit Ranchero
Jocelyn Collins Richard Kelner Brenda Redding
Virginia DiGiacomo Barb Kosiek Robert Roche
Ivona Dix Sally Krueger Dick Rosenbeck
Dick DuSatto Julie Lape John Rossi
John Fedor S.Suzanne Lesniwski Jim Sanders
Madeline Finger Joyce Maples Jim Swedler
John M. Foresman Bob Mizek Dan Szymanski
David Giese Pat Moran Frank Tiesenga
Debbie Giese Chuck Neal Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Guy Grimmelbein Anthony Nowak Judith Tomaeno
Barry Hanen Jim O’Brien Shirley Tomaeno
Carol Harris Richard Panek Judy Wethington
Shelly Hartig Toni Pendergast Martha Worbel
Carol Hendrich Linda Pennock
Ken Horvath Richard Pslak

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

Mary Alvarez
(mother of Maria Tinoco)

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
Jim Kikilis, godson of Pat & Debi Savage
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.
There is no burden so great that the Lord cannot lift it from us and bring peace to our hearts. So often in life, we carry around our hurts and disappointments like a burlap sack filled with rocks, dragging us down. It is far better to hand them over to God who is our source of strength.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS June 17-June 23:
Sunday 6/14 $ 2,011.00
Sunday other forms 5,502.00
General Funds 410.00
Restricted Use 206.00
Debt Reduction 435.00
Total Contributed $8,564.00
Differential this period:
Needed $10,600.00
Reported 8,564.00
Deficit this period: ($2,036.00)

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS:
Peter's Pence 35.00
Priests' Care & Support 250.00

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.
Debt to Diocese 5/31/2020 592,659
Registered Households—760
God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...because Covid-19 has made such a huge impact on everyone, the Finance Council decided to not have a 13th Month collection this year. However, if you wish to make a special contribution toward future parking lot improvements (i.e., rebuilding the original parking lot), you may do so. You can identify it as a 13th month contribution and we will deposit it into savings for that purpose.

Leave a Legacy.
Did you know you can make a temporary gift to our parish or diocese? A charitable lead trust lets you Leave a Legacy and lend your assets for a while before they return to you or your beneficiary. Call the Development Office at 815-221-6100.