The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.

Matthew 13:45–46

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

When love for parents and children is inspired and purified by love for the Lord, it then becomes wholly fruitful and produces good fruits within the family itself and well beyond it.

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Gateway Wetlands Garden Walk -- Calling on Environmental Enthusiasts!!

Patti and Jerry C are hosting a garden walk at their home on the 49 acre Gateway Wetlands in Bolingbrook on **Saturday August 1, 2020** between **10 am and noon**. Stop by and enjoy our butterfly gardens and the view of the pond from our backyard. Be sure to wear a mask and respect social distancing. You also have the option to take a stroll around the entire pond. This is a 3/4 mile walk on a paved walking path that encircles the pond. Walkway is wheelchair accessible. Enjoy the wetland wildflowers, birds, and butterflies. We can talk about types of birds, waterfowl, butterflies, critters, and the creation of this Wetland. Family groups are encouraged of not more than 10 people. Volunteers are welcome. Contact me privately if you wish to volunteer your gift of knowledge, or other.

Water will be provided at our house when you return. Our address is **779 Feather Sound Dr, Bolingbrook, IL 60440. Hope to see you on August 1.**

Questions? Call Patti C

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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.

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Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
Electronics Recycling Event & Textile Collection
Saturday, August 15, 2020
8:30-11:30 am
Christ the Servant Parking Lot

The Green Team at Christ the Servant is hosting an Electronic Recycling Event and Textile Collection in the parking lot of Christ the Servant on Saturday, August 15, 2020 from 8:30 -11:30.

What electronics will be collected? Almost anything with a cord attached to it! This includes computer equipment, cell phones, extension cords, copy machines, hard drives, etc. Televisions are costly to recycle. The Electronics Recycling Company, eWorks, will be charging fees for: CRT, Flat Screens, Projection TVs and Monitors.

The fees for these items are:
$25.00 per unit for screens less than 21 inches
$35.00 per unit for screens 21 inches and over
Cash or Credit Cards are accepted – Please No Checks

What is unacceptable for this collection? White Goods, air conditioners, hazardous waste, radioactive waste, bio-hazardous waste or mercury containing devices like light bulbs or thermostats.

We are also collecting textiles. Bring in your old, clean textiles: Clothing, sheets, household textiles in any condition; No heavily soiled items. Items must be in plastic bags.

Donations to support the Green Team service projects will be greatly appreciated.

For this event, Do not get out of your car. Space cars out. Exact change only. Workers wear masks. Do not sign credit card receipts.

If you have any specific questions about the event, contact Nancy R

Cash For Food - August 3 thru 9
Back To School Special

As the Covid-19 crisis continues, the need for Food Items remains High - even as we get ready to Go back To School however that may be.

Our C4F Focus is on both FOOD & SCHOOL!

Food Items, Canned Goods, Boxed Food, Cereals, and Paper Goods are needed. Pencils, Pens, Scissors, Notebook Paper, Highlighters, Markers and Backpacks are appreciated.

BackPacks filled with School Supplies are Great!

Please Drop off Donated Items at the Church Door August 3-7 (Mon-Fri 9am-3pm) - OR Before All Masses August 8&9

Please place Monetary donations (cash or check) in an envelope marked for the Food Drive and deposit in the wooden drop box. Donations will be shared with the West Suburban Community Pantry, JAN, and Prince of Peace Lutheran Micro-Pantry (Food only). We’ll check the dropbox several times a day to make sure your donations remain secure.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO! The needs of those less fortunate than ourselves are just like our needs.

Creation Care Corner

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

“...we must recognize our grave duty to hand the earth on to future generations…”
—Pope Benedict XVI

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:
Consider zero-waste options for picnics BBQ and camping meals. Reusable items add a touch of class, sensibility and significantly reduces waste. Use lightweight reusable plates, utensils, bowls, cups and cloth napkins. Get creative with packaging. Reusable containers? Of course. What about Mason jar deserts? Go heavy on finger foods: cut vegetables and mixed nuts. Wipe off food when finished and use a washable cloth bag to hold used dinnerware for dishwashing later. Reserve a bag for recyclables and a container for compostables. If you must go disposable, use biodegradable paper products instead of plastic. Ditch the straws. Use a large thermos for drinks. Take other beverages in metal or glass containers and recycle. Skipping bottled water saves money and the environment.
Registration for Religious Formation

It is time to start registering for the 2020-2021 Religious Formation classes! RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org. Because of the covid-19 situation Religious Formation will continue formation classes in a combination of both remote and traditional classroom. There will also be options for parents who choose homeschooling their children. 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.

Sacraments

Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith Formation is genuinely happy to be able work with your family to prepare and receive the Sacraments. The Sacraments are God’s great gift to mankind and so there is great joy in being able to share this wonderful gift and work of God with your family. The seven sacraments touch all the stages and all the important moments of Christian life: “they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian’s life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life.” (St Thomas Aquinas)

Sacrament Preparation

The Diocese of Joliet requires that children complete a minimum of two consecutive years of religious formation before receiving sacraments. Typically, in 2nd grade, our children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the late fall and the Sacrament of Eucharist in the spring. (Children must have participated in RF in first and second grade or two other consecutive years of preparation). Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation, which will be conferred at the end of 8th grade according to the Bishop’s schedule begins in 6th and 7th grade. (Full participation in RF in 7th and 8th grade is the minimum enrollment required.)

Confirmation and Rehearsal

The CTS Confirmation class is scheduled to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at Christ the Servant Church on August 27, at 7:00 pm. The Celebrant for this Mass is the Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry of the Archdiocese of Chicago. A rehearsal is also scheduled for August 26, at 7:00. All Confirmandi and a parent are asked to attend the rehearsal.

Volunteers

Is God calling you to share your faith with his children? Would you like to find away to show your gratitude to God for His many blessings? Volunteers and Catechists are essential to running a successful RF program. Come join us as we work to make a difference, one child at a time. Please call the RF Director Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or email at cgo@rcdoj.org if you are able to give time to help during the year.

Letters from Heaven

Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, “Stop condemning and you will ...”

Answer: "not be condemned."

Hotline Numbers for Help

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<td>Waterleaf Women’s Center</td>
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DuPage County Back to School Fair: Registration is Now Open!

The 30th Annual DuPage County Back to School Fair, coordinated by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5, 2020, from 11:00am to 6:00 p.m. at the DuPage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton. This annual summer event is a major countywide effort to help low-income families’ access important services to begin the school year on a positive note.

This year’s Back to School Fair has been modified to maintain safe social distancing. School supplies will be distributed in a drive-thru with items placed in each vehicle by Catholic Charities staff.

Pre-registration is required this year! Visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org to register as early as possible to reserve your spot!

Respect for All Life

“Who Signed Me Up for This?”

“I feel like we are in an epic battle of good versus evil right now. We are experiencing a worldwide pandemic, racial tensions are high, people are toppling statues of Jesus and Mary, churches are being closed, others are being burned, and Jesus and Godly values are being pushed out of everything. Logic, reason, and civility have been thrown out the window in favor of bullying, bashing, and looting. Last week, we heard the parable of the wheat and the weeds. As Catholic followers of Jesus Christ, we should expect weeds at every level of our lives—personal, family, church, community, politics, etc.—because the devil wants to separate us from God in any way he can. What should we be doing? It has to start small—with you and me. First and most important recommendation: start to live in holiness. Centuries ago, it took the like of people like St Francis of Assist (‘Rebuild my church’), St. Benedict (‘Leave the corruption of Rome’), and St Teresa of Calcutta (‘Care for the people of India’). We are all called to ‘Sow the Seed’ and then let God water it. But how? What can I do? I’m not like these great saints.”

(Watch for the answer here next weekend.)

~from Father Burke Masters homily July 19

Submitted by Dave A

Sacramental Information

RIES 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 6, 7:00 PM
**TABERNACLE LIGHT**  
Jeremy Nemec (4/19)

**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, July 25**  
4:45 PM Chuck Dennis, r. Pat & Debi Savage  
People of the Parish

**Sunday, July 26**  
8:30 AM  Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister  
Theresa & Tim Mclvain Jr.  
10:00 AM  Don Fassero, r. Andie Wolfe

**Monday, July 27**  
8:30 AM  Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon family

**Tuesday, July 28**  
8:30 AM  Hank Tajkowski, Sp. Int, r. Bernie Kestler  
Tom & Dawn Savage, Sp. Int., r. Bernie Kestler

**Wednesday, July 29**  
8:30 AM  Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon family

**Thursday, July 30**  
8:30 AM  Ron Welton, r. Corinne Hanson (4/9)

**Friday, July 31**  
8:30 AM

**Saturday, August 1**  
4:45 PM  Al Kikilas, r. Pat & Debi Savage  
Tom Ruff, r. Donna Mays  
Helen Kolodziej, r. Peslak family  
Ron Welton, r. Sr. Suzanne Lesniewski (4/18)

**Sunday, August 2**  
8:30 AM  Marian O’Sullivan, r. Jesus R. Masaquel  
People of the Parish  
10:00 AM  Don Fassero, r. Ed & Ann Polan  
Josefina Mendez, r. Bill & Donna Ciolek (5/24)

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

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**We pray for the Sick**

| John Anspach | Ken Horvath | William Podborny |
| Sarah Becker | Rayna Januska | Lolit Ranchero |
| Monica Bhalai | Steve Jascewsky | Brenda Redding |
| Sharon Bhaskar | Jeanne Jordan | Robert Roche |
| Maria Carlino | Barb Kosiek | Dick Rosenbeck |
| Jocelyn Collins | Sally Krueger | John Rossi |
| Virginia DiGiacomo | Linda Kurtz | Jim Sanders |
| Ivona Dix | S. Suzanne Lesniewski | Dawn Savage |
| Tom Duffy | Joyce Maples | Tom Savage |
| Dick DuSakto | Pat Moran | Jim Swedler |
| John Fedor | Chuck Neal | Dan Szymanski |
| Madeline Finger | Anthony Nowak | Frank Tiesenga |
| John M. Foresman | Jim O’Brien | Joseph Tomaeno, Jr |
| David Giese | Richard Panek | Judith Tomaeno |
| Debbie Giese | Toni Pendergast | Shirley Tomaeno |
| Guy Grimmelbein | Linda Pennock | Judy Wethington |
| Shelly Hartig | Richard Peslak | Martha Worbel |
| Carol Hendrich | Ali Phillips | 

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.

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**We pray for the Deceased**

**Ida Moravecek**  
(mother of Rick & JoAnn Moravecek)

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**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  
Brock Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran  
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran  
Jim Kikilas, 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.

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**Bible Readings—July 26-August 2**

**SUNDAY:** 1 Kgs 3:5-7,12 / Rom 8:28-30 / Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46  
**Monday:** Jer 13:1-11 / Mt 13:31-35  
**Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22 / Mt 13:36-43  
**Wednesday:** Jer 15:10,16-21 / Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
**Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6 / Mt 13:47-53  
**Friday:** Jer 26:1-9 / Mt 13:54-58  
**Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16,24 / Mt 14:1-12  
**Sunday:** Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35,37-39 / Mt 14:13-21
God’s Kingdom and its riches are what we long for as we search for meaning and fulfillment in our lives. As we open our hearts to Jesus and allow God’s love to reign in our hearts, we come to experience the blessings of peace, joy, and fulfillment. Obtaining the pearl of great price is worth any effort or sacrifice.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2020-2021
Parish Expenses $  7,700.00
Debt Payment            2,600.00
Total Needed              $ 10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS July 15-July 21:
Sunday 7/12  $      1,783.00
Sunday other forms         5,325.00
General Funds             310.00
Restricted Use             630.00
Debt Reduction             213.00
Total Contributed   $      8,261.00

Differential this week:
Needed    $    10,300.00
Reported          8,261.00
Deficit this period: ($    2,039.00)

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS:
Peter’s Pence  $           10.00
Priests’ Care & Support              10.00
Blue Jeans for the Homeless          25.00
Diocesan cemeteries              20.00
General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.
Debt to Diocese 6/30/2020    $440,863
Registered Households—760

God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!

August 15 is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year because it falls on a Saturday.

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Did you know… the Green Team provided the funds for the mulch that was installed around the Community Gardens this summer. Many thanks for this gift to the parish property! An Eagle Scout project will be re-furbishing the three crosses on the berm, along with refreshing mulch on other gardens on the property. The parish will be providing the mulch. If you would like to make a donation for this specific purpose, please send/bring your donation marked “mulch” to the parish office. God bless you!

See for details on the process.

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