Christ the Servant Catholic Church
Serving God from your Heart

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
A #JubileeForTheEarth is a time to return to God, our loving Creator. We cannot live in harmony with creation if we are not at peace with the Creator who is the source and origin of all things.

Please continue to check our parish website www.ctswoodridge.org, and facebook, for up to date information about what we are able to offer to help keep our community connected.

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.

2020 CENSUS
Everyone needs to be counted—Adults, Children, Seniors—anyone living at your address on April 1, 2020.

If you have not filled out the census online or do not have access to a computer, you can still fill out the census by phone.
For English: call 844-330-2020. Customer Service Representatives are available every day, 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Central time.
For Tagalog: Call 844-478-2020. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Central time.

You can still fill out the census on line even if you don’t have your Census ID. Go to the website 2020CENSUS.GOV, select the link under the login button that says, “If you do not have a Census ID, click here”. You will be asked for your address and your response will be linked to that address.

Don’t forget: Census results determine Federal funding allocations for roads, schools, hospitals, SNAP, Medicare Part B, libraries, first responders, and community centers. Businesses use census data to decide where to build factories, offices and stores which create jobs. Local governments use the data for public safety and emergency preparedness.

In 2010, Illinois lost one seat in the U.S. House of Representatives and funding due to the fact that 40% of the state’s residents did not fill out the census. Woodridge is currently down 40%. So, PLEASE fill out the census if you haven’t done it yet.

2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 8/30/20

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: $48,734
AMOUNT PAID: $41,871 REMAINING BALANCE: $6,863
DONORS THIS YEAR: 236 REBATE AMOUNT: $1,100 so far!

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.
St Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive
Volunteers & Donations needed
Mark your calendars for the weekend of September 26th and 27th
We will accept........
Clothing, shoes, linens and books in good or bad condition. Unusable clothing, shoes, linens and even books generate income for the needy because they are sold for rags or in bulk.
No baby equipment such as cribs, walkers, strollers, playpens, etc. ALL BABY CLOTHES ACCEPTED!
Small housewares and electronics – dishes, glassware, utensils, toasters, blenders, coffee makers, radios, cd players etc. SORRY NO TELEVISIONS.
Your donations go to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shops where much of your donations are given away free to needy families in the community. Some are sold at reasonable prices at the thrift shops so that needy families can shop with dignity. “Proceeds” from the thrift shops go into a general assistance fund where St. Vincent de Paul Conferences at the churches help families with rent, mortgage or utility assistance.

Thanks for your generous donations!
To protect our volunteers please be sure the bags are secure and items are clean due to the current situation.
Want to help with collections?
Contact Ted B
Basta_ops@ameritech.net

Creation Care Corner
“The pace of consumption, waste and environmental change... can only precipitate catastrophes...”. “Truly much can be done!” – Pope Francis

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION
Choose Clean Energy
Electricity generation contributes significantly to earth warming greenhouse gas emissions nationally. Consider and shop green electricity sources for your home. There are 2nd party providers that guarantee to repurchase certified wind power equivalent to your household demand. You reduce your environmental footprint and support /expand renewable energy. Select a provider that has no sign-on or discontinuation fees, and that enables you to be billed and serviced thru your current electric utility. The process should be seamless: no equipment or service interruption required. Compare rates and select a supplier where the clean energy upcharge is only a few dollars extra /month. Compare to: www.aepenergy.com/residential/renewable-energy/

Job Opportunities
Part-time Parish Secretary –
St. Scholastica Parish, Woodridge, Il
St. Scholastica Parish in Woodridge, IL, is currently searching for a part-time (20 hours) Parish Secretary. This is a shared position. You will be fully engaged and busy from the first day and we guarantee there will never be a dull moment.
To apply, please send resume to Lianda Valentine at lvalentine@stscholasticaparish.org

Full-Time Maintenance Position -
St. Mary Immaculate, Plainfield, Il
St. Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield has a full-time, benefitted position available in our maintenance/custodial department. Candidates must be able to lift 50 lbs, climb ladders and be in good physical condition. All applicants are required to undergo a background check and complete the Protecting God’s Children course, as required for all parish staff. For more information, please contact Steve Perez, Building Services Supervisor, at 815-436-2651, ext. 820, or to be considered for the position, please send a cover letter and resume to sperez@smip.org.

BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Tuesday, September 8th is the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We celebrate birthday anniversaries of our families and our friends’ birthdays by doing something special. In honor of our spiritual mother’s birthday, let us do something extraordinary: offer prayers (especially the Rosary), do a good deed, make the day special for someone—all for love of our Blessed Mother Mary.
Religious Formation

Religious Formation Registration

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these” (Mat 19:14 NIV)

Although registration has already begun for Religious Formation classes, no Child will be turned away for late registration. If you register soon there is still a chance to be entered into the drawings. The first 50 families to register will be have their names added to a drawing to win a $10 Dunkin Donuts gift card and a $10 Panera gift card. Also, the first 50 kids that are registered will receive a Drawstring Backpack. There are a few left!

Classes Begin September 15 and 16

Time is running out to register for the 2020-2021 Religious Formation classes! Classes begin September 15 and 16. 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 eLearning, through the book publisher’s app and on Flipgrid, as well as through the traditional classroom learning. To minimize cross-exposure for students and volunteers and to reduce the number of persons in the building at any one time. Religion classes will be held on Tuesday for elementary grades and Wednesday for middle school grades. Also, grade levels will be alternated the weeks that they meet for classes to reduce the number of people in the building at any given time. So, for example grades 1,3 and 5 will meet on Tuesday at CTS for class and then the following week they will use eLearning for classes. The week after that, grades 1,3 and 5 will be meeting at CTS for in person classes. Same thing for Middle school with grades 6 and 7 meeting at CTS one week while 8th grade is using online learning. The following Wednesday, 8th grade will be meeting at CTS for class and 6th and 7th grade is online for class. There is also an option for parents who choose to home school their children. By making these changes it will be possible to keep students actively learning no matter the COVID-19 situation might be at any given time. 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)

There Still Is Time To Register For 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.) There still is time to register your child for classes.

Is God calling you to share your faith?

Is God calling you to share your faith with his children? No one else can answer God’s call to His mission for your life but you. If you do not respond to God’s call, the unique work that God wanted to accomplish through you will not get done. Volunteers and Catechist are essential to running a successful RF program. Helpers are need for online learning and in person. There are many different ways to help like there are many different types of children. 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 cgoba@rcdoj.org if you are able to give time to help during the year.

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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, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in ..."

Answer: T

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.

Respect for All Life

"National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children"

Local observance service will be the "Gravesite of Aborted Babies" at Resurrection Cemetery, 200 W. Romeo Road, in Romeoville. Saturday, Sept. 12, at 1pm. Special guests: Fr. Patrick Mulcahy, Jennifer Shea, and Sarah Minnich. Visit AbortionMemorials.com

"To Be More Like Christ Today"

What can we do today to follow in Jesus' footsteps?
--- Forgive Someone. Think of someone in your life you are holding on to unforgiveness with. We all have opportunities to forgive.
--- Notice Someone. Through the Gospel stories, Jesus time and again notices people. Like Zaccheus stuck in a tree, or the widow whose son he brought back to life after death, or the woman at the well whom the Jews neglected.
--- Pray. Jesus gave us this beautiful example of communicating with his Father, and going away to do it. Every day we need to be building that foundational relationship with God. Make it a priority.
--- Drink the Cup You are Given. Jesus said: "Not my will, but thine be done." Jesus gave us the example of it, and the strength to do it.

from Relevant Radio
~submitted by Dave A

Baptism Preparation Class:
Thursday, October 1, 7:00 PM
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
Regina McEvoy

**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, September 5**
4:45 PM  John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Shirley & Paul Stiglic, r. family
Lilly Mary (5/23)
Richard Peslak, r. friends & family

**Sunday, September 6**
8:30 AM  James McIlvain, Jr., r. family
10:00 AM  Lilly Mary
People of the Parish

**Monday, September 7**
8:30 AM  Special Intention, r. Christine Goba

**Tuesday, September 8**
8:30 AM  Don Fassero, r. Donna Mays (5/12)

**Wednesday, September 9**
8:30 AM  Ron Welton, r. Donna Mays

**Thursday, September 10**
8:30 AM  Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon family

**Friday, September 11**
8:30 AM

**Saturday, September 12**
4:45 PM  Ron Welton, r. Robert & Rosemary Thomas
James G. Frale, r. John & JoAnn Frale
Richard Peslak, r. Rich & Casey Kellner

**Sunday, September 6**
8:30 AM  James McIlvain, Jr., r. family
10:00 AM  Lilly Mary
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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
Sarah Becker
Monica Bhalai
Sharon Bhaskar
Maria Carlino
Donna Ciolek
Jocelyn Collins
Annette Cosman
Virginia DiGiacomo
Tom Duffy
Dick DuSalko
Madeline Finger
John M. Foresman
Tim Gontarz
Guy Grimmelbein
Shelly Hartig
Carol Hendrich
Shirley Hill
Ken Horvath
Rayna Januska
Steve Jasewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Barb Kosiek
Sally Krueger
Linda Kurtz
S. Suzanne Lesniewski
Therese Magee
Joyce Maps
Cathy Molinaro
Chuck Neal
Anthony Nowak
Toni Pendergast
Linda Pennock
Richard Peslak
Alie Phillips
William Podborny
Lolit Ranchero
Brenda Redding
Robert Roche
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Jim Sanders
Dawn Savage
Tom Savage
Jim Swedler
Dan Szymenga
Frank Tiesenga
Joseph Tomaeno, Jr.
Judith Tomaeno
Shirley Tomaeno
Sr. Rosemary Ward
Judy Wethington
Martha Worbel

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**

John Andrew Crowell
Joe Bremer

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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.
Am I my brother’s keeper? All three readings today suggest that for the Christian steward the answer is “Yes!”

**Parish Expenses** $  7,700.00
**Debt Payment**      2,600.00
**Total Needed** $ 10,300.00

**CONTRIBUTIONS** Aug 26-Sept 1:
- **Sunday 8/23**  $      2,633.00
- Sunday other forms         5,490.00
- **General Funds**             210.00
- **Restricted Use**             570.00
- **Debt Reduction**             423.00
**Total Contributed** $      9,326.00

Differential this period:
**Needed** $   10,300.00
**Reported**          9,326.00
**Deficit this period:** ($       974.00)

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.

Did you know…much gratitude is offered to the people who are continuing to support the parish financially. While we try to be as frugal as possible, there are still costs associated with keeping the church clean and open. Also, the Religious Formation program has extra costs associated with needing to offer online content to our parish children. Whatever support you are able to give is gratefully received. God bless you.

Any extra donations you wish to make toward future projects like re-roofing the church building or re-building the old parking lot can be made and noted “13th Month”. Then it will be set aside for one of those projects.

Giving long-term assets to our parish or diocese can help you avoid capital gains tax and give you a tax deduction. Consult with your Financial Advisor, then call the Development Office at 815-221-6100 to find out how this provides perpetual support for our Church.