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

Almighty God, present in the entire universe and in the smallest of Your creatures, fill us with the strength of Your love so that we might take care of life and beauty.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com

Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.

Please continue to check our parish website www.ctwoodridge.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.

In honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Bob will be offering a pet blessing outside at noon on Sunday, October 4. Bring your suitably leashed or caged pet, and remember that we need to continue to practice social distancing and other safety protocols, even outdoors.

The flowers by the ambo are in memory of Nicholas and all non-human companions who provide unconditional love and support to us in our daily lives. On this commemoration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, where he teaches us love and respect for all creation, let us continue to show the unconditional love Jesus models for us daily.

Bishop Hicks provided a “taste” of Diocese of Joliet

On the day of the announcement of his appointment as Bishop of Joliet by Pope Francis, Bishop Ronald Hicks enjoyed a “taste” of Pastoral Life in highly personal visits with four programs in the Diocese of Joliet.

SHARE THE TASTE with Bishop Hicks at:
http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bishophicks

2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 9/27/20

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: $50,204
AMOUNT PAID: $44,143 REMAINING BALANCE: $6,071
DONORS THIS YEAR: 241 REBATE AMOUNT: $2,683 so far!

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
Beginning this week, we are printing the article, “Children in Cages”, which was written, edited, and contributed to by the members of the Peace and Social Justice Committee and Book Study group.

As a Nation of Immigrants, we seem to have forgotten how to treat immigrants and refugees to this country. If the Native Americans had treated the Pilgrims and other East Coast Immigrant Settlements the way we treat Immigrants today, there may never have been a United States of America as we know it today.

**CHILDREN IN CAGES**

We are deeply concerned about the immigrant and refugee children being held in cages. We stand by Pope Francis’ words: “Migrants are persons... They are the symbol of all those rejected by today’s globalized society... The weakest and most vulnerable must be helped... This is a tremendous responsibility, from which no one is exempt if we wish to fulfill the mission of salvation and liberation, in which the Lord himself has called us to cooperate.” – Pope Francis, July 8, 2019

Catholics say: “Stop the Inhumanity.” Images of immigrant and refugee children detained in cages, separated from family members, and living in unsanitary, unhealthy conditions have outraged the nation for a year. The faith community has decried this treatment of children not only as a violation of human dignity and rights, but also as contrary to religious teachings and the sacred call to care for people who are most at risk, especially children.

*Continued next week...*
Religious Formation

To Register for Religious Formation
Registration may be emailed to cgoba@rcdoj.org. RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org. No student will be turned away because of late registration, but supplies are limited, so don’t wait.

Permission Form
All Parent sare asked to sign the provided general permission form that gives permission for the child to use digital platforms in order to participate. Also, Students are asked to sign a code of behavior located on the same permission form.

First Online Classes
After picking up your children’s books and supplies, parents are then asked to set up and log into the various eLearning sites, with their children over the upcoming weeks.

- For the Hybrid classes the first two or three weeks of class will be done through eLearning, depending on your in-person start time.
- For the eLearning option classes start the first the week of October. You may have your child work on any day of the week or at any time that works best for them and your family.
- There may occasionally be a need to meet via Zoom, but you will be given notice in advance if your child’s teacher is requesting a meeting and this will not be the norm.

Bl. Carlo Acutis pray for us and for the success of our eLearning. Amen

Classes begin for In-Person Class
Elementary grades 1, 3, and 5 will meet for the first time on Tuesday, October 6th.
Elementary grades 2 and 4 will meet Tuesday, October 13th.
Middle school grade 6 and 7 will meet Wednesday, October 7th.
Middle school grade 8 will meet Wednesday, October 14th.

All Religious Formation Classes
All Religious Formation classes will be using Flipgrid as its digital platform in which the class instructor or director will upload instructional content and links for the purpose of religious instruction. Also, links, instructions, passwords and other information will be available for parents through the email address they provided at registration. Links to textbook and its accompanying websites or apps will also be included in the Flipgrid, but the user will be asked to login after clicking the link provided.

Flipgrid Join codes:
Grade 1 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade1
Grade 2 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade2
Grade 3 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade3
Grade 4 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade4
Grade 5 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade5
Grade 6 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade6
Grade 7 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade7
Grade 8 join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade8
RF Teacher join code: hhttps://flipgrid.com/goba4052

Teachers and Aids are still needed
Volunteers and Catechists are essential to running a successful RF program. Helpers are needed for online learning and in person. There are many different ways to help, like there are many different types of children. Come join us s we work to make a difference, one child at a time. Please call the RF Director Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or email cgoba@rcdoj.org if you are able to give time to help during the year.

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.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY
During the month of October, pray and ask the Blessed Virgin Mary to protect us, our family, friends, community, nation and world from Covid-19 and that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Tune in to EWTN daily at 6:30 am, 10:30 am, or 2:30 pm for the daily Rosary.

Hotline Numbers for Help

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1. Your partner has **hit you, beat you, or strangled you** in the past.

2. Your partner is **possessive**. They check up on you constantly wondering where you are; they get mad at you for hanging out with certain people if you don’t do what they say.

3. Your partner is **jealous**. (A small amount of jealousy is normal and healthy) however, if they accuse you of being unfaithful or isolate you from family or friends, that means the jealousy has gone too far.

4. Your partner **puts you down**. They attack your intelligence, looks, mental health, or capabilities. They blame you for all of their violent outbursts and tell you nobody else will want you if you leave.

5. Your partner **threatens** you or your family.

6. Your partner **physically and sexually abuses you**.

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**OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

National Domestic Violence Awareness Month is an annual designation observed in October. For many, home is a place of love, warmth, and comfort. It’s somewhere that you know you will be surrounded by care and support, and a nice little break from the busyness of the real world. But for millions of others, home is anything but a sanctuary. The U.S. Department of Justice estimates that 1.3 million women and 835,000 men are victims of physical violence by a partner every year. Every 9 seconds, a woman in the U.S. is beaten or assaulted by a current or ex-significant other. 1 in 4 men are victims of some form of physical violence by an intimate partner.

People who are in an abusive relationship will stay with their partner for a number of reasons:

- Their **self-esteem is totally destroyed**, and they are made to feel they will never be able to find another person to be with.
- The **cycle of abuse**, meaning the ‘honeymoon phase’ that follows physical and mental abuse, makes them believe their partner really is sorry and does love them.
- It’s dangerous to leave. Women are **70 times more likely to be killed** in the weeks after leaving their abusive partner than at any other time in the relationship, according to the Domestic Violence Intervention program.
- Statistics suggest that almost **5 percent of male homicide victims** each year are killed by an intimate partner.
- They feel personally responsible for their partner, or their own behavior. They are made to feel like **everything that goes wrong is their fault**.
- They **share a life**. Marriages, children, homes, pets, and finances are a big reason victims of abuse feel they can’t leave.

Sometimes, people don’t know if they are really in an abusive relationship because they’re used to their partner calling them crazy or making them feel like all the problems are their own fault. Here are a few ways to know if you’re in an abusive relationship that you need to get out of.

1. **Your partner has hit you, beat you, or strangled you** in the past.

2. Your partner is **possessive**. They check up on you constantly wondering where you are; they get mad at you for hanging out with certain people if you don’t do what they say.

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**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, November 5, 7:00 PM**

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**Annual All Souls Mass**

We will commemorate our deceased loved ones in observance of All Souls at the 10 am mass on Sunday, November 1. All who have lost a loved one, particularly in the last year, are invited to attend this mass. Attendance is limited, so please RSVP.
TABERNACLE LIGHT
Pauline Dennis

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
For reassigned masses, the original date the mass was scheduled is listed in parentheses after the listing.

Saturday, October 3
4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Don Fassero, r. Pat Savage (5/2)
People of the Parish

Sunday, October 4
8:30 AM Betty Peterek, r. Pat Savage
Chuck Madey, r. Marge Buch
10:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon family
Patricia Knotts, r. Ed & Fran Fleming (5/10)
Raymond Gudziunas, r. family

Monday, October 5
8:30 AM Dick Ruff, r. Pat & Debi Savage

Tuesday, October 6
8:30 AM Richard Losik, r. Corinne Hanson
Sandy Schlosser, Sp. Int, r. Bernie Kestler
David B. Greaney, r. John & Kathleen Greaney

Wednesday, October 7
8:30 AM Special Intention, r. Christine Goba

Thursday, October 8
8:30 AM Betty Kozlowski, r. family & friends (5/7)

Friday, October 9
8:30 AM

Saturday, October 10
4:45 PM Pauline Dennis, r. Pat & Debi Savage
Mitchell Rendak, r. Gierut/Rendak families
Suzanne Miller, r. Pat Savage (5/9)
Sylvia Gaddini, r. John & JoAnn Frale

Sunday, October 11
8:30 AM Svienna Wildoer, r. Gil & Alice Sarmiento
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Raymond M. Rostis, r. Christine Goba
Raymond Gudziunas, r. family

Bible Readings—Oct. 4-Oct. 11

Sunday: Is 5:1-7 / Phil 4:6-9 / Mt 21:33-43
Monday: Gal 1:6-12 / Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24 / Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2,7-14 / Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5 / Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14 / Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29 / Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a / Phil 4:12-14,19-20 / Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

We pray for the Sick

John Anspach  Jeanne Jordan  Robert Roche
Monica Bhalai  Barb Kosiek  Dick Rosenbeck
Sharon Bhaskar  Sally Krueger  John Rossi
Maria Carlino  Linda Kurtz  Jim Sanders
Donna Ciolek  S.Suzanne Lesniewski  Dawn Savage
Tom Duffy  Therese Magee  Tom Savage
Jean Durran  Joyce Maples  Sandy Schlosser
Dick DuSatko  Cathy Molinaro  Rita Sisko
John M. Foresman  Chuck Neal  Dan Szymanski
Tim Gontarz  Anthony Nowak  Frank Tiesenga
Guy Grimmelbein  Don Paul  Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Carol Hendrich  Toni Pendergast  Judith Tomaeno
Texanna Hernbeck  Linda Pennock  Shirley Tomaeno
Shirley Hill  Allie Phillips  Hazel Tomin
Ken Horvath  Lolit Ranchero  Dolores Vendl
Rayna Januska  Irene Rebman  Sr. Rosemary Ward
Steve Jascensky  Allison Riley  Judy Wethington

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

Joan Prewisch
(sister of Gordon Schildgen)

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.
In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers, but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2020-2021**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS Sept 23-29:**

Sunday 9/20  $ 2,238.00
Sunday other forms 2,918.00
General Funds 130.00
Restricted Use 663.00
Debt Reduction 58.00
Total Contributed $ 6,007.00

**Diﬀerence this period:**

Needed  $ 10,300.00
Reported 6,007.00
Deficit this period: ($ 4,293.00)

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

**CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS**

Christ is Our Hope magazine $ 125.00
Debt to Diocese 8/31/2020 $ 417,564
Registered Households—760

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

**Did you know...**your continued financial support of our parish is very much appreciated. We understand that your financial situation may not be what it was “pre-Covid”, and if financial support is not possible, we beg your prayers that people who are financially stable will continue in their generosity to the extent they are able. Your donations help pay the salaries of the staff members, make the mortgage and utility payments. We try to be very good stewards of your generosity.

**Leave a Legacy.**

To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on “Donate”, then click on “Stock Donations” or call the Development office at 815-221-6100 for information.

### Parish Giving

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