Beloved,

we are God’s children now;
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

1 John 3:2

Christ the Servant Catholic Church
Serving God from your Heart

We remember our beloved dead:

Gregory Augustyn
Martin P O’Toole
Robert Olcese
Thomas Vacek
William C Hanen, Jr
Leonila Harting
Pellegrino Perricone
Donald Fassero

Josefina Mendez
Paula Sedlacek
Betty Peterek
Mary Frances Berglind
Ted Kozerski
LaVergne Kozerski
Richard Peslak
Michael Nino
John Moran
Ann Ingram
Sr. Rosemary Ward
Diana Kowalski

November 1, 2020
Solemnity of All Saints

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

To all believers, and to men and women of good will, we say: let us become creative artisans of peace, let us build social friendship, let us make our own the culture of dialogue.

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

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

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.

A PRAYER FOR THIS ELECTION SEASON
By Dianna Ortiz, OSU, Pax Christi USA Deputy Director

God, Promise Keeper of the new creation, in this election season guide us to be Gospel-informed voters, who stand on the side of justice and truth.

As a community of conscience, we recognize our shared responsibility in righting the wrongs that dishonor and dehumanize the dignity of the most vulnerable among us.

As a community of conscience, we acknowledge the harm that has been done to the environment and the urgency to work collectively to care for the Earth, our common home.

We see our country in turmoil—experiencing a time of chaos that not only impacts every person of this nation, but peoples from across the globe.

As individuals and a faith community, we recognize that we bear both a privilege and a burden to vote our conscience and to make choices that will and do affect the future of everyone.

As we ready ourselves to go to the polls this November, may our time of discernment be rooted in the teachings of our faith and our common life together.

May our faith guide us to vote for genuine servant leaders, who, like Jesus, will welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the prisoner, embrace the sick and dying, and promote peace and nonviolence.

Send your Spirit to be with us as we cast votes for the common good and, regardless of the outcome of the elections, may we continue to work for a more just and sustainable world.

May we always stand on the side of justice and truth. Amen.

2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 10/25/20

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 PAID: $45,120
REMAINING BALANCE: $5,234
REBATE AMOUNT: $3,374 so far!

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
How Domestic Violence Victims Can Stay Safe During the Pandemic

Tips for Staying Safe: During this pandemic, it’s not uncommon for you to face even more fear and anxiety than you normally would—especially if you’re torn between staying physically and emotionally safe and preventing the spread of a highly contagious disease. While everyone’s situation is different, here are a few suggestions for dealing with abusive situations. These tips may help make this uncertain time feel a little more manageable.

Create a Safety Plan: Safety plans are personalized plans that include ideas on how to stay safe while in a relationship with someone who is abusive. These plans often include steps to take when leaving and how to stay safe afterward. The National Domestic Violence Hotline offers a guide on safety planning. But, you may need to get creative with your plan during this pandemic.

Understand Options May Be Limited: Before the coronavirus pandemic, women often had the option to go to shelters or to stay with family or friends. Unfortunately, options are now limited. Some shelters may be full or closed and staying with a family member may no longer be an option. Find out ahead of time which houses you might be able to escape to should you need to find a safe place to stay. Be sure to continue practicing good hygiene, washing your hands regularly, and avoiding touching your face no matter where you stay.

Keep Everything Together: Make sure you have all of your important documents handy and that you know the address to your nearest police station. You also should have some money on hand or a credit card, as well as a bag with some clothes, medicines, and personal items. Keep your phone and keys nearby as well. You will need to grab these things quickly if you need to escape.

Stay in Touch With People: If at all possible, you should try to stay in touch with family and friends. Use text messaging, FaceTime, social media, email, or other online options to communicate when you can. It's important to build a support network of people who can encourage you and support you during this difficult time. Be careful what you share though in case the person abusing you is monitoring your online activity or abusing you electronically.

Practice Self-Care: Getting through this pandemic while experiencing abuse can seem overwhelming, so taking care of your physical, emotional, and mental health is even more important. Look for ways to care for yourself while staying safe. For instance, meditating, reciting mantras, journaling, and praying all are helpful ways of coping. Additionally, there are many online yoga and fitness classes that you can take for no charge. Even getting a few moments of fresh air can do wonders for your mental health. Try to do something for yourself each day that eases your anxiety and fear.

Reach Out for Help: If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 for confidential assistance from trained advocates.

Submitted by Rita S

By Sherri Gordon

NOVEMBER:
We Ponder, We Reflect, We Give Thanks
In November we observe and celebrate: All Saints Day, All Souls Day, National Adoption Month and Thanksgiving.

We begin National Vocation Awareness Week. At this time we often think only of our priests and religious. Fr. Bob Duda, thank you, for so graciously, lovingly serving as CTS’ Pastor for the last 5 years! Also, appreciation and thanks to our Deacon Tom Fricke, Deacon Rod Accardi, Sister Jane Nienaber, OSF and Sr. Lois Prebil, OSF.

We must remember that marriage and consecrated single life are also vocations or callings from God. In our baptism we become sons and daughters of God. We receive the Holy Spirit and the seeds of our vocation. Each vocation has the following in common, regardless of whether you are a priest, deacon, religious, married or single: 1. A call to love, 2. A call to holiness, 3. A call to help others get to heaven.

How is God calling You? What does God want you to do with your life? It is when we follow the will of God in our lives that we find true fulfillment. Pray each day that you follow the Lord’s call for your vocation in life. Also, prayers of thanksgiving for Fr. Bob Duda, Deacon Rod, Deacon Tom, Sr. Jane and Sr. Lois.

ADOPTION IS THE LOVING OPTION
November is National Adoption Month! Many have been blessed to be adopted by loving parents or have been blessed by being able to adopt a child/children. Three out of five people are touched by adoption in some was, according to Mardie Calwell, C.O.A.P., author of “So I Was Thinking About Adoption”

Also, we can Spiritually Adopt an unborn child by saying the prayer recommended by the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. “Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have Spiritually Adopted who is in Danger of Abortion.” Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Unborn, pray for us!

Also, what a great time to say a prayer of thanksgiving and blessing for all birth mothers who chose “Adoption as the Loving Option.”

Submitted by Rita S

By Sherri Gordon
**Religious Formation**

**This week for RF**
There will be **No in person classes on November 3 and 4** since Christ the Servant is an election polling place. All grades will complete their classwork online for that week. Also, there will be **no classes for November 10 and 11 in observance of Veterans Day**. Students are expected to work on their “Grand Event” projects during this time.

**Religious Formation's "Grand Event"**
In Thanksgiving for all that our grandparents and grand-friends have done and given to us, Religious Formation students are being asked to do something to remember their grandparents and grand-friends during the month of November. As part of RF’s Grand Event, we are asking parents to help their children to participate, in a Covid-19 safe way, by doing some kind of act of kindness to their grandparents and other seniors in the area. Teachers are also asked to work with their classes to incorporate a group activity into their November classes. We hope to help our students to grow in love and appreciation for those who have labored before us to build our families, churches, and nation.

**Religious Formation Office Closed**
The Religious Formation office will be closed through November 6. The Director can be reached online or by phone during this time to assist you and your family with your needs. cgoba@rcdoj.org 639-910-0770.

**Permission Form**
All Parents are 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. Access to the eLearning will be granted after RF has received and processed the permission form.

**Book Pick Up**
Please call or stop by the parish office to pick up your children’s books and supplies **if you have not already done so**. Every student whether they are participating in remote learning or in-person learning need to use the textbooks provided.

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**All Religious Formation Classes**
All Religious Formation classes are 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: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade1
Grade 2 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade2
Grade 3 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade3
Grade 4 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade4
Grade 5 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade5
Grade 6 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade6
Grade 7 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade7
Grade 8 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgeregrade8
RF Teacher join code: https://flipgrid.com/goba4052

Everyone should have logged into their child’s Flipgrid and any book publishing App by this time. If you are having problems using Flipgrid or if you are having any difficulties with the class work, please email or call. cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770.

**Teachers and Aids and Cleaning Crew are Still Needed**
Volunteers and Catechists 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. Is God calling you to share your faith with his children?

To **Register for Religious Formation**
Registration can 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.

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**Hotline Numbers for Help**

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CHILDREN IN CAGES
Written, edited, and contributed to by the members of the Peace and Social Justice Committee and Book Study group

Continued from last week...
We are now seeing the effects of inadequate federal government response to the COVID-19 virus pandemic. While medical experts have been consistent on what we need to do, the President continues to ignore the required responses. We are seeing the heroic efforts of some State Governors and City Mayors to protect people’s lives. Who is in charge? Will our Governors and Mayors also act to care for the children in cages?

We the people will be held accountable in the future as we continue to violate God’s laws. Can we count on our News/Social Media to take up the banner and help us to correct the injustice? Please help get the children out of those cages and back to their parents!

The End.

Respect for All Life

Vocations Sunday
"7 Ways Families Can Foster Vocations"
"The family is the primary and most excellent seed-bed of vocations" -- Pope St. John Paul II.

It makes sense for parents to help their children discern their vocations, whether marriage, single life, priesthood, or religious life. Here are simple ways to foster openness to God’s call:

--- there are many age-appropriate books about saints who were priests and religious.
--- also, many Catholic films depicting heroic, interesting priests and religious.
--- re-marriage, media depictions of dating and sexuality are often opposed to authentic love, so parents should "set the record straight" about what leads to real happiness -- defend the sacrament of marriage.
--- for youngsters, "play house" and pretend to be moms and dads; similarly, help them imagine the life of a priest, brother, or sister.
--- during family prayers, pray for more priests and religious vocations; let the kids hear you praying for THEIR future.
--- speak openly about vocations to marriage, priesthood, and religious life, e.g. "priests are awesome because they are responsible for presenting the sacraments to all.
--- befriend priests and religious; invite a clergy person to your home--personal relationships are key for future major decisions.

And parents: HAVE AN OPEN ATTITUDE. Let the children know: "Whatever God wants for you, we want it too! "Vocations grow on trees...Family Trees."

From VianneyVocations.com

Submitted by Dave A

First Friday: November 6
As we gather after the Communion Service on Friday, November 6, we pray for our deceased family members and friends. “Who is without an interest in purgatory? You free a soul from dire woe, from inexpressible suffering; you add a citizen to heaven; you give joy to the angels and saints; you comfort and delight Jesus and His Mother Mary.” Sister Charles Borromeo, O.S.D. We pray that the people elected to office will serve the common good. We pray for victims of the coronavirus. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, we thank God for our faith, religious freedom, our religious, our Pastor Fr. Bob, family, friends, our country and all our blessings.

“Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” Thessalonians 5:18.

Book of the Dead
If you lost a loved one this last year, and would like to have their name(s) inscribed in the Book of the Dead, please email chanson@rcdoj.org or call 630-910-0770. We will write the name in for you. (It’s a Covid thing.)

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 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
**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

John & Esther Michalek

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

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

**Saturday, October 31**

4:45 PM Don Fassero, r. Donna Mays
   James Moran, r. Darlene Januska (5/16)
   Tommy Dongarra, r. family (5/16)

**Sunday, November 1**

8:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory, r. Alvarez Cordon family
10:00 AM Reda family, r. Rosanne Maltese
   Raymond Gudziunas, r. family
   Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister
   All Souls
   People of the Parish

**Monday, November 2**

8:30 AM Dave Kestler, r. Bernie Kestler
   Pellegrino & Caterina Perricone

**Tuesday, November 3**

8:30 AM Bob O'Connor, r. Ken & Mary Kay Bastuga

**Wednesday, November 4**

8:30 AM Inna Reddy

**Thursday, November 5**

8:30 AM Irene Iovito, r. Andie Wolfe

**Friday, November 6**

8:30 AM

**Saturday, November 7**

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, r. family
   Gerald Johnson, r. family
   Walerya Wielgus, r. Barry Deron
   Lilly Mary

**Sunday, November 8**

8:30 AM Philip Becker, r. Corinne Hanson
   People of the Parish
10:00 AM Raymond Gudziunas, r. family

**Bible Readings—Nov. 1-Nov. 8**

**SUNDAY**: Rv 7:2-4,9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12a
**TUESDAY**: Phil 2:5-11 / Lk 14:15-24
**WEDNESDAY**: Phil 2:12-18 / Lk 14:25-33
**THURSDAY**: Phil 3:3-8a / Lk 15:1-10
**FRIDAY**: Phil 3:17-4:1 / Lk 1-8
**SATURDAY**: Phil 4:10-19 / Lk 16:9-15
**SUNDAY**: Wis 6:12-16 / 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 / Mt 25:1-13

**We pray for the Sick**

Sharon Bhaskar  Barb Kosiek  John Rossi
Fred Cimaglio   Sally Krueger  Jim Sanders
Kim Cimaglio    S. Suzanne Lesniewski  Sandy Schlosser
Donna Ciolek    Therese Magee  Rita Sisko
Jean Durran     Joyce Maples  Nancy Sinclair
Dick DuSatko    Cathy Molinaro  Dan Szymanski
John M. Foresman Chuck Neal  Frank Tiesenga
Tim Gontarz    Anthony Nowak  Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Guy Grimmelbein Don Paul  Judith Tomaeno
Carol Hendrich  Toni Pendergast  Shirley Tomaeno
Texanna Hernbeck Linda Pennock  Hazel Tomin
Shirley Hill    Alie Phillips  Dolores Vendl
Ken Horvath     Lolit Ranchero  Judy Wethington
Rayna Januska
Steve Jasewsky  Allison Riley
Jeanne Jordan   Robert Roche

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**

Sister Rosemary Ward
   Eleanor Marek
   (mother of Pam Mizek)
   Irene Rebman
   (cousin of Mike Magee)
   Diana Kowalski

**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
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.
Dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) properly. Do not dispose of HHWs to landfills, or pour into drains or ditches. Save these toxic and electronic materials for periodic collections. This includes old/unneeded meds, which could contaminate waterways. Some local police stations take back unused meds. Search Earth911.com for local recycling/disposal resources. Also check with Villages and Townships for upcoming HHW collection events, and with your state EPA office for permanent HHW drop site locations.

*Creation Care Corner*

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

*Did you know...* this bears repeating. It is our tradition to donate the Thanksgiving collection to Hope’s Front Door—an ecumenical ministry located in Downers Grove. They are able to provide assistance to people who are in need of financial or medical assistance. Our Thanksgiving mass is at 9:30 am on Nov. 26, you can also donate for Thanksgiving through our website using the black and yellow Donation button near the top right. Choose “other” and put Thanksgiving in the memo line.

*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.