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.

Christ the Servant Catholic Church
Serving God from your Heart

This Sunday Night!
One Night Only!

February 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Deacon Rod Accardi
will present

“Christ the Servant meets the Man of Sorrows on the Path of Hope and New Life”

We have all experienced the hardships and grief—the “ashes”—of the pandemic. At the same time, we have experienced gratitude for our blessings and even joy.

Come to our one-night Lenten Mission and share in Mass and the reflections of Deacon Rod.

Event will also be live-streamed. Check the Christ the Servant Facebook page.

You may also listen from your car on 88.3 FM.

“Surely he hath borne our grief and carried our sorrows.”

Isaiah 53:4
Pope Francis’ Tweet for the Week

In this Lenten Season, accepting and living the truth revealed in Christ means, first of all, opening our hearts to God’s word, which the Church passes on from generation to generation.

As long as the number allowed at mass is restricted, Fr. Bob will be recording a mass, and it will be posted by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulation, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.)

Your gift to the CMAA makes a real difference!

Thank you to everyone who has already pledged a gift to the 2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Every gift, large or small, brings us closer to our parish’s 2020 CMAA goal of $40,700.

If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA. If we raise more than our goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish.

If you have already made your pledge, we thank you! Fr. Bob recently mailed a pledge envelope to everyone in our parish. Please either return it, or the pledge card you received from the diocese, in the mail. You may also make a secure gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949.

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.

After the transfiguration, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had ...

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Answer: ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
**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, March 4, 7:00 PM

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**St Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive**
As the snow melts
Volunteers & Donations needed
Get your clothes and small household items ready
The truck will be here March 20th and 21st
Interested in helping with collections?
Contact Ted B
Basta_ops@ameritech.net

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**40 Days for Life**

**Spring Campaign**
February 17 - March 28

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, community-based prayer vigil that asks our loving God to help bring about an end to abortion through Prayer and Fasting • Constant Vigil • Community Outreach

Volunteers are needed to pray for one hour in front of the abortion clinic in Downers Grove; Access Health Center located at 1700 W. 75th St.

Over 18,000 babies lives have been saved through the prayers of people praying at a 40 Days for Life vigil. Please consider joining us for an hour of prayer this year, and bring a friend.

For more information and to sign up for an hour, please visit:
www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove
We need your prayers... so do the moms and babies!

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**PRAY TO END ABORTION**

**Hotline Numbers for Help**

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<td>Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim</td>
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<td>Enrich your Lenten prayer with time with the Lord, on Friday, March 5. Mass with Fr. Bob will begin at 8:30 am. Immediately following mass, pray the Stations of the Cross. (Covid-safe Response sheets will be provided.) Then spend some time with the Lord at the Eucharistic Chapel. Bring your Divine Chaplet and other prayers. Pray. Meditate. Enjoy.</td>
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Parents don’t forget to keep saving your child’s class projects and artwork for the Spring Art Show April 24-25

Calling all high schoolers! Christ the Servant is currently planning their Summer Youth Program and we want your input!

Restore: Steubenville Youth Conferences
In the midst of our broken and chaotic world, Jesus wants to restore us to the glory for which he created us. Christ the Servant Youth Group is planning to join hundreds of Catholic teens at Franciscan University of Steubenville OH during summer break for a weekend that you’ll remember for the rest of your life. Experience the life-changing love of Christ and be strengthened in your journey of discipleship with thousands of Catholics from around the world. All rising freshmen in high school through rising freshmen in college are invited to attend this retreat with our group. Learn more steubenvilleconferences.com and contact Christine Goba at cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770 if you are interested in attending.

Religious Formation is forming a Core Group of high school students.
We are building a community of high school students who are committed to building their personal relationships with Jesus Christ. If you are interested in learning more about our Catholic tradition, spirituality, and theology, come hang out with us as we build something great. Anyone interested in attending or helping out please email RF Director Christine Goba for more information.

cgoba@rcdoj.org

This Week for Religious Formation Classes
This week: Hybrid classes grades K, 2, 3 and 4 will meet for class on March 2 and Hybrid class for grade 8 will meet on March 3. All other classes will continue with the class work on Flipgrid.
Class times are Tuesday 4:45-6:00pm
Wednesday 6:30-7:45pm

All RF Student Reconciliation March 24
All students grade 3-8 will be asked to attend classes in-person on Wednesday, March 24 to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Each Grade will be given their own appointed time to meet at Church for Reconciliation in order to best maintain Covid-19 protocol and all safety standards.

Congratulations to our kids who made their first Reconciliation this Week!

RF Lenten Project
All Religious Formation students are asked to participate in this year’s Good Friday’s Stations of the Cross by helping us to make a RF video of the Stations of the Cross. We are hoping to have all of our students record themselves saying part of a Station. We will then edit the kids all together and post it for all the families of Christ the Servant to join us in praying the Stations on Good Friday.

Confirmation News
All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Parish Mission Mass and talk on February 28 at 7:00 pm. This event is part of the preparation for Confirmation.
All Confirmation students are also invited to “Dinner with the Priest” at 5:00 pm before the Lenten Mission begins. Reservations are needed for the dinner so that we can provide the individually prepared and packaged meals for all the Confirmandi who will be attending the dinner.

Important Confirmation Dates
Lenten Mission talk and Mass Sunday, Feb 28
Confirmation Retreat Saturday, May 8
Confirmation Practice Wednesday, May 12
Confirmation Thursday, May 13

Hurry! Room For Only Two More In Our Kindergarten Class
Religious Formation has room for two more children in our new Kindergarten class. The kindergarten class will meet in person every other week for instruction and fun. For more information or to sign up your child, please email RF Director Christine Goba for more information.

cgoba@rcdoj.org
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March 4 7:00 pm  Baptism Preparation Classes
March 5 ~9:00 am  First Friday Holy Hour, after Stations of the Cross
March 5 7:00 pm  Stations of the Cross (online)
March 12 ~9:00 am  Stations of the Cross (in church)
March 12 7:00 pm  Stations of the Cross (online)
March 14 2:00 am  Daylight Savings Time begins
March 15 7:00 pm  Admin/Finance Commission
March 15 7:00 pm  Religious Formation Commission
March 19 ~9:00 am  Stations of the Cross (in church)
March 19 7:00 pm  Stations of the Cross (online)
March 20/21 before masses  St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive
March 22 7:00 pm  Lenten Penance Service
March 26 ~9:00 am  Stations of the Cross (in church)
March 26 7:00 pm  Stations of the Cross (online)
March 27 9:00 am  Worship Commission
March 29 7:00 pm  Parish Pastoral Council

RF classes: check page 4 and/or your Flocknote email for the most up to date information.

You’re invited!
Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a “Fraternal Benefit Night Virtual Webinar”
by award winning author Tom Hegna on
March 23, 2021 at 6:30 PM, titled “Pay Checks and Play Checks”

Open to all Knights of Columbus members, families of members, and all parishioners, Tom will share his mathematically and scientifically proven approach that will enable you to create a secure retirement, no matter how long you live. Tom Hegna is an award-winning author, speaker and economist. He is an industry leader and is considered by many as “The Retirement Income Expert.” Tom has presented at over 5,000 seminars, helping seniors and baby boomers build lasting retirement plans.

As Christ the Servant parishioner Joe T says, “Those who register will enjoy it thoroughly - I can personally vouch to that, as I attended the initial one given to the Knights by Tom in October, 2020. He is an energetic and enlightening speaker."

Lenten Fast for Creation Care
This Lent, consider a Lenten Sacrifice focused on Care for God’s Creation

Why a Lenten Creation Care Fast? Plastic waste is clogging landfills, waterways, disrupting ecosystems & poisoning food chains.

WEEK THREE: The average American uses 156 water bottles/year. Limited demand means only a small portion of the plastic in your recycling bin gets recycled. Plastic takes centuries to degrade, breaks down into ever smaller pieces that harms wildlife when animals mistake for food. During Lent, let’s sacrifice convenience in favor of protecting God’s wonderful gift to us of Creation.

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Plastic Fast – Use Less Disposables! Pick recyclable alternatives to plastic (i.e., — metal pop cans); Avoid fast food plastic containers and straws. Carry re-usable bottles, cups, utensils, and “to-go” containers. Use re-usable canvas shopping bags instead of plastic bags.
TABERNACLE LIGHT
Jean Sobek & Brian Creeden

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 27
4:45 PM Linda Starry, r. Steve & Karen Jackson
Richard Peslak, r. friends & family
Bernard Chudzik, r. Marcie Chudzik

Sunday, February 28
8:30 AM Norbert (Norb) Ciesla, r. Marge Buch
Trunzo family, Sp. Int., r. Bernie Kestler
10:00 AM Peggy Blazek, r. Lori & Scott Watkins
People of the Parish

Monday, March 1
8:30 AM Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy

Tuesday, March 2
8:30 AM David Kestler, r. Bernie Kestler

Wednesday, March 3
8:30 AM James Sullivan, r. Carole Sullivan

Thursday, March 4
8:30 AM Don Fassero, r. Greg & Cheryl Feltz

Friday, March 5—Communion service or mass
8:30 AM

Saturday, March 6
4:45 PM Richard Peslak, r. Donna Mays
Peggy Blazek, r. Margit Fotre
Don Fassero, r. Tina Fassero

Sunday, March 7
8:30 AM Linda Nichols & Ricky Kopp, r. Marge Buch
People of the Parish
10:00 AM John Van Petten, r. Louis, Angelina & Anthony Davini

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

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 Sick

Greg Basta
Dave Billings
Joan Billings
Sharon Bhaskar
Bob Cleary
Mari Cleary
Dick DuSatko
Faith Ann Fialek
John M. Foresman
Eric Hanson
Carol Hendrich
George Gustafson
Ted Jank
Darlene Januska
Rayna Januska
Jackie Marquis Jarvis
Steve Jasewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Barb Kosiek
S. Suzanne Lesniewski
Daniel Loris
Joyce Maples
Chuck Neal
Anthony Nowak
Carol Paul
Linda Pennock
Kim Peterson
Alie Phillips
Mark Porlier
Maeve Powers
Lolit Ranchero
Mike Rent
Allison Riley
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Jim Sanders
Joan Sestak
Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Shirley Tomaeno
Hanh Truong
Dorothy Urbanowicz
Bill Wagner
Judy Wethington

We pray for the Deceased

Joann Hall
(godmother of Dan Vanchieri)

Rush Limbaugh

We pray for those who Serve

Nolan Bowers, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers
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.
Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself “did not spare his own Son.” Are my gifts to the Lord – of my resources, of my time, of myself – also sacrificial?

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Feb 17-Feb 23:
Sunday 2/14  $ 2,270.00
Sunday other forms  $ 7,465.00
General Funds  $ 125.00
Ash Wednesday  $ 220.00
Restricted Use  $ 793.00
Debt Reduction  $ 265.00
Total Contributed  $ 11,138.00

Differential this week:
Needed  $ 10,300.00
Reported  $ 11,138.00
Catch up this period:  $ 838.00

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

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS
Diocesan Cemeteries  $ 20.00
CMAA (anonymous)  $ 100.00
West Suburban Food Pantry  $ 495.00
Cash 4 Food  $ 858.00
Blue Jeans/Homeless  $ 340.00

Debt to Diocese 1/31/2021  $ 361,792
Registered Households—765

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

Did you know…the generosity of the people of Christ the Servant is very amazing, terrific, remarkable, incredible, miraculous to behold. Sharing what you have with the parish, the diocese, and especially our neighbors in need is what Christians are called to do. Thank you for your example of 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.