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

Let us pray constantly that the Israelis and Palestinians may find the path of dialogue and forgiveness. Let us pray for the victims, in particular for the children; let us pray for peace.

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.

CTS Capital Contribution Challenge

As of May 25, 262 of 768 registered parishioners (34.1%) have responded, including some people who are not officially registered, but do support Christ the Servant. Please join in if you are able!

Paid $181,935  Pledged $187,280  Goal $220,000

CASH FOR FOOD

Saturday, June 5
Sunday, June 6

CHRIST THE SERVANT supports the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove Area FISH, and Blue Jeans for the Homeless.

Food items are very welcome, including canned goods, rice, peanut butter, etc. as well as personal care and paper products.

Please drop off your food and product items in the parking lot before Mass.

Cash donations are most appreciated. Any cash amount is welcome! A Cash for Food Donation Box will be available in the Narthex for your convenience.

Please make checks payable to Christ the Servant. All cash and checks will be converted to food donations and distributed promptly.

The needs of those less fortunate than ourselves are just like our needs.

Using our time, talents, and spiritual gifts to make a difference

Imagine what our families, church, and community would be like if we all took the time to do what God uniquely designed each of us to do in serving others. The ripple effect of each person making their unique contribution would result in a revolution of Christ’s love being felt in tangible, life-changing ways. Whether you have lots of time to volunteer each week or only a few hours every once in a while, consider making the kind of impact that only you can make. Your life will never be the same! (And the world will be a better, more peaceful place, too!)

Rita S expresses many thanks for the multitude of prayers she received during her recent illnesses. She felt and appreciated each one, and is praying for your special intentions, too.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
What are your prayer needs?
The CTS Prayer Tree will pray for your intention. If you or a family member have a special request for prayers, whether it be for healing, a job interview, travel plans, etc; email your request by any Monday to prayertree@ctswoodridge.org. (Please include your first name and first initial of last name.)

Monday evening your request will be forwarded to our Prayer Tree members. Only the intention is forwarded to the Prayer Tree—your name will be held in confidence. Your special intention will be prayed for a one-week period. If you would like to extend the time frame, please indicate or resubmit request after your initial week. Details of your prayer request are not necessary. All information will be confidential and will be shared with only CTS Prayer Tree members.

Will you pray for others?
Send your email address to prayertree@ctswoodridge.org to become a prayer person on the Prayer Tree.

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 Borellovocations@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, June 3, 7:00 PM

2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 5/23/21
Thank you for pledging a gift to the CMAA! It is important these pledges be paid, so our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. Below is our progress:

If you would like to make your pledge/payment online, visit jolietdioceseappeal.org or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949.

2021 GOAL $40,700 AMOUNT PLEDGED: $42,050
AMOUNT PAID: $36,425 REMAINING BALANCE: $5,625
DONORS THIS YEAR: 193 (23 less than last year)

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!

In the narthex, under the bin for Blue Jeans for the Homeless, you may find small bags that are ready for parishioners to give to the street homeless/beggars in our community. In the bag are ready to eat food for their snacks.

Hotline Numbers for Help

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Per 2021 Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal
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Religious Formation

Come join us after the 10 am Mass next week!

Feast of Corpus Christi, also called Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is on June 6 this year.

In honor of the real presence of the body (corpus) of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist Religious Formation is planning on having a Corpus Christi procession.

What is a Corpus Christi procession?
It is a “public witness of faith and worship of the Most Blessed Sacrament” (Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass. Founded upon the Church’s belief that Jesus becomes substantially present to us in the Eucharist at Mass, the Corpus Christi procession is one of the ways that we express our devotion to Christ.

A Corpus Christi procession usually begins after the celebration of Mass, at which the host for the procession is consecrated. Placed in a monstrance (a sacred vessel that displays the sacred host to the faithful), the Blessed Sacrament is then carried out of the church and through the streets or neighborhood accompanied by the songs and prayers of the people. (CTS’ procession will be around the circle in the parking lot) Often along the route the procession will stop and the people are blessed. In this way the Church shows that Christ, here among us, walks with us on our pilgrimage to heaven.

All are Invited to Join this Special Catholic Parade

Religious Formation Classes
In person classes are done for the year. Your child is encouraged to complete any classes that are not done on the Flipgrid. The Flipgrid links and your child’s password for their Flipgrid will remain accessible until July 31.

Sacrament Reminder
Don’t forget, if your child is planning on making a sacrament that 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.)

Calling all high schoolers: Let's have some fun!
Christ the Servant is currently planning our Summer Youth Program and we want your input! Parents, the survey is coming this week. Contact Christine Goba at cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770 for more information.

Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School
Youth 5th grade to High school and Adult volunteers are needed to help lead Vacation Bible School. We need volunteers who like to laugh, have fun and like to smile while sharing the love of God with others.

Coming June 28-30!
Treasured VBS: Discovering you're priceless to God.
A summer kids’ event called Treasured VBS will be hosted at Christ the Servant from June 28 to 30. At Treasured, kids discover God’s greatest treasure isn’t diamonds, gems, or gold – it’s them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God’s love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they’ll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings.

Kids at Treasured VBS will join a mission project effort to provide mosquito nets for draping over beds to protect kids while they sleep. The nets will be distributed all over the world—wherever mosquitoes may carry malaria.

Treasured is for kids from 5 to 9 and will run from 9:30 to 11:45 each day. Cost to participate is $30. For more info, call Christine at 630-629-0724.
The Most Holy Trinity

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

Friday, June 4, 2021, is the First Friday of the month. The First Friday devotions are a set of Catholic devotions to especially recognize the Sacred heart of Jesus and through it offer reparation for sins.

“According to this devotion, the first Friday of each month was designated by Jesus Himself as consecration to honoring His Sacred Heart to increase our love for Him and to make reparation for past and present offenses against His love.” (Authored by Fr. Edward McNamara L.C Eternal Word Television Network.)

The following is a quote given by our Lord to a French Visitation mystic nun, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque who lived from 1647-1690. “Those who shall promote First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus shall have their name written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.” St. Margaret Mary is the patron saint of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The First Friday Holy Hour takes place immediately after the 8:30 am service, beginning in the Eucharistic Chapel. No reservations necessary.

We now have a subscription to FORMED!

Go to http://signup.formed.org/

Enter our parish zip (60517) or name and select your parish. Register with your name and email address

Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED for free!

FORMED.org is a premier on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, eBooks, and talks – and it’s free for every parishioner. Check out the link, sign up and enjoy this Catholic streaming service. It’s easy and free to start enjoying FORMED!

Check out “The Search” on Formed

The Search is a video-series designed to enkindle wonder as it takes people on a journey through life’s enduring questions. Watch it with your family. Plant it, and it will grow like a mustard seed.

Creation Care Corner

“Praise be to you my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us...”

– St. Francis of Assisi

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:

Plant Trees.

They clean our air, protect our drinking water, provide food and habitat for animals. Studies show they even improve our mental health. Trees also absorb the CO2 that contributes to global warming and release oxygen back into the air. In one year, an acre of mature trees absorbs the amount of CO2 produced by a car driven 26,000 miles. Planting trees also helps prevent soil erosion, increases land fertility and can add value to your property. Trees that provide shade can also significantly reduce your energy bills. When selecting trees, choose native types to support local wildlife. Spring and Fall can be good times to plant.

For more information: www.arborday.org/trees
Dining to Donate

Enjoy a Meal that is filling and fulfilling!!!

Help Support the Knights of Columbus,
Robert P. Connelly Council #5918, Woodridge

Tuesday June 8, 2021, 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Doggie Diner
7536 Janes Ave.
Woodridge, IL 60517

Bring a copy of this flyer and 20% of your total purchase will help support the local Knights of Columbus Council and the Charities they support.
Peace & Social Justice

The Peace & Social Justice Committee has been facilitating a book study on racism. The following was written by parishioner Karen J as a meditation on what she has learned.

**Some Things I Have Learned from the Parish Book Study on Racism**

I was raised in a majority white town in western Pennsylvania and taught that racism only occurred in individual acts of meanness. I was not taught about the invisible systems that gave me privilege as a white person.

As the parish book study group continued to learn about racism in the U.S., I began to see and understand the systems that are in place that continue to give me an advantage because of the color of my skin. I will list only a few of them here in the hope that you will be spurred to think about other ways that white people have an advantage over People of Color.

- When I learned about our national heritage or about “civilization”, I was shown that people of my color made it what it is.
- I can turn on the TV or open to the front page of the paper and see people of my race widely represented.
- I can buy a house anywhere I want to as long as I can afford it.
- If a traffic cop pulls me over or if the IRS audits my tax return, I can be sure I have not been singled out because of my race.
- I can do well in a challenging situation without being called a credit to my race.
- I can be sure that if I need legal or medical help, my race will not work against me.
- I am not made acutely aware that my shape, bearing or body odor will be taken as a reflection on my race.
- I can arrange my activities so that I will never have to experience feelings of rejection owing to my race.

For the complete essay, google: *White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack* by Peggy McIntosh.
We pray for the Sick

Greg Basta
Ken Bastuga
Dave Billings
Joan Billings
Sharon Bhaskar
James Brabec
Pat Chang
Pat Chuchla
Patti Crimer
Dinnocenzo family
Leslie Dunlap
Dick DuSatko
Faith Ann Fialek
Lauren Fields
John M. Foresman
Michael Harris
Carol Hendrich
Jean Henry
Eleanor Jahn
Rayna Januska
Jackie Marquis Jarvis
Jeanne Jordan
Derek Kaunelis
Barb Kosiek
S. Suzanne Lesniewski
Patti Luchetti
Cathy Magee
Joyce Maples
Chuck Neal
Kelsey Neal
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Alie Phillips
Lolit Ranchero
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Jim Sanders
Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
Joseph Tomaeno, Jr
Shirley Tomaeno
Hanh Truong
Mary Vanderplow
Bill Wagner
Joan Zaitlen

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

Enzo Del’ati
Phil Florek
(son-in-law of Tina Fassero)

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
Patrick Pendergast, son of Dave & Toni Pendergast
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.
Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters – heirs – of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord’s command to “go…and make disciples of all the nations.”

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2020-2021**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS May 19-May 25:**

- Sunday, 5/16: $2,492.00
- Sunday other forms: $6,065.00
- General Funds: $125.00
- Restricted: $1,260.00
- Debt Reduction: $417.00
- Total Contributed: $9,099.00

**Capital Ctrb Challenge** (see page 2)

**Differential this period:**

- Needed: $10,300.00
- Reported: $9,099.00
- Deficit this period: $1,201.00

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

**CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS**

- Peters Pence: $40.00
- Diocese Priests’ Care: $40.00
- Home Missions: $10.00
- Assumption Holy Day: $40.00
- World Missions: $40.00
- Blue Jeans/Homeless: $20.00
- Diocesan Cemeteries: $10.00

- Debt to Diocese 4/30/2021: $328,145
- Registered Households—768

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

**Did you know…** whatever the CDC says, we do need to follow the protocols of the Diocese of Joliet. As this is typed, our Covid protocols remain at:

1) Wear your mask while in the building.
2) Sanitize your hands.
3) Maintain social distancing—currently that is “arm’s length”. The chairs against the wall are reserved for people who wish to maintain 6 feet distancing. Please be considerate of others, and follow these protocols, even if you are immunized. Some people are still vulnerable and feel more comfortable when people around them are wearing their masks. Thank you for caring for others!