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.
CTS Capital Contribution Challenge

We are making great progress!
As of June 23, we still need $17,605 to reach our pledge goal.
Pledge cards are available at the check-in table, or donate online, choosing “other”, with “CCC” in the memo.

2021 Waterleaf Baby Bottle Campaign
Christ the Servant is participating in the Waterleaf Virtual Baby Bottles for Life Campaign to benefit, support and educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. The funds collected support the life-affirming programs and services of the Waterleaf Medical Clinic in Aurora. Participation is easy:
Donate Online: Visit:
http://www.fundeasy.com/m/5221010/
And make your donation at this secure site.
1 “virtual bottles” holds $30. This campaign runs only through Father’s Day, Sunday, June 20, so log on today!

First Friday Holy Hour
Friday, July 2, 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 First Friday Holy Hour takes place immediately after the 8:30 am service, beginning in the Eucharistic Chapel. No reservations necessary.

Pope Francis’ Tweet for the Week
Christ is alive and desires that each of you live. He is the true beauty and youth of this world. Everything he touches becomes young, becomes new, full of life and meaning.

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.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 by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.
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 Borel 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, July 1, 7:00 PM

The next Manna Sale has started! Order forms are available in the Narthex. An Excel version of the form can be emailed to you. Email manna@ctswoodridge.org to receive one.

(Questions? Call Bill C. Manna cards protect your identity, make great gifts, and a percentage of your purchase stays to help Christ the Servant!

Orders placed (and paid for) by the end of the 10 am mass on July 11 will be ready for pickup next week.

2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 6/20/21

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—we have met our goal in pledges. 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: $43,050
AMOUNT PAID:  $38,135 REMAINING BALANCE:  $4,915
DONORS THIS YEAR:  201 (15 less than last year)

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

Hotline Numbers for Help

Family Shelter Service Domestic Abuse 630-469-5650
National Domestic Abuse Hotline 800-799-SAFE
Illinois Adult Protective Services 866-800-1409
Will County Crisis Line 815-722-3344
Mayslake Ministries 630-852-9000
Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator 815-263-6467
Waterleaf Women’s Center 630-701-6270
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)

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.)

Volunteers are Still 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 who like to smile while share the love of God with others. Call Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org if you can help.

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June 27, 2021

WATCH

THE BIBLE COLLECTION - PAUL THE APOSTLE

We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lively, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching. This week we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Peter and Paul, each of whom spread the Gospel to the nations in the earliest days of the Church, in honor of Paul, the Apostle of the Gentiles, enjoy this film of the Bible Collection!

LEARN

LECTIO: PETER: EPISODE 1: PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP

The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the “rock” upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter in this Lectio series.

LISTEN

SET ALL AFIRE

It is no stretch to say that Peter and Paul set the world aflame with the Gospel message. In honor of these apostles, enjoy this one-of-a-kind presentation that includes seven segments covering some of the most important topics in the Church today. Taken from many of our most powerful talks, these segments are sure to inspire you to set all aflame for Christ and His Church.

We now have a subscription to FORMED!
FORMED.org is an on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, eBooks, and talks – There are 3 easy steps for parishioners to Sign Up

1. Visit http://signup.formed.org/
2. Enter our parish zip (60517) or name
3. Enter your name and email
Christ the Servant—July, 2021

July 1  7:00 pm  Baptism Preparation Class
July 5  Independence Day holiday  offices closed
July 11  11:00 am  Baptisms
July 18  11:00 am  Baptisms
July 19  7:00 pm  Admin/Finance Commission
July 27  1:30 pm  Ladies’ Lunch Out (details TBD)

Last call for a FREE year membership in the Knights of Columbus Council #5918!

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

“...the moral implications underlying the ecological problem is the lack of respect for life...”
— Pope John Paul II

THIS WEEK’S STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:

Compost. Food scraps and yard waste together currently make up about 30 percent of what we throw away, so consider composting instead. Making compost keeps these materials out of landfills where they take up space and release methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Your compost can then be used to enrich soil and reduce the need for fertilizer. For convenience, try using an airtight receptacle in your kitchen for interim storage of scraps to reduce trips to your outdoor composter. More info at https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home
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.

Bible Readings—June 27-July 4

**SUNDAY:** Wis 1:13-15,2:23-24 / 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15 / Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24,35b-43

**MONDAY:** Gn 18:16-33 / Mt 8:18-22

**TUESDAY:** Acts 12:1-11 / 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 / Mt 16:13-19

**WEDNESDAY:** Gn 21:5,8-20a / Mt 8:28-34

**THURSDAY:** Gn 22:1b-19 / Mt 9:1-8

**FRIDAY:** Gn 23:1-4,19;24:1-8,62-67 / Mt 9:9-13

**SATURDAY:** Eph 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29

**SUNDAY:** Ez 2:2-5 / 2 Cor 12:7-10 / Mk 6:1-6a
Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one’s time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just “a cup of cold water” to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS June 15-22:
Sunday 6/13          2,745.00
Sunday other forms         2,738.00
General Funds               65.00
Restricted             127.00
Debt Reduction             117.00
Total Contributed $      5,792.00

Capital Ctrb Challenge (see page 2)
Differential this period:
Needed    $    10,300.00
Reported          5,792.00
Deficit this period:  $      4,508.00

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

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS
Priests’ Care & Support $         235.00
Peter’s Pence               25.00
Diocesan Cemeteries              30.00
Debt to Diocese 5/31/2021    $316,897
Registered Households—768

Did you know…the tornado could have been a lot worse. But it was bad enough. As this is typed, it’s only Tuesday, and a lot of cleanup has begun. Cleanup will take a lot longer than a week though. If you have opportunity to help a friend or neighbor, please grab that opportunity! Maybe all they need is a phone call of support, or a “thinking of you” card. We are doing what we can to distribute water, shelf-stable snacks and other things like gift cards to help people know we are thinking of them. Please continue to keep our neighbors in your prayers, and help where you are able.