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
The Lord is always close to us: through new invitations, new words, with His consolations. The Lord is eternal. He never, ever retires.

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.

At this time, we continue to record the mass for people who are not able to make it to church, posting it by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.

CTS Capital Contribution Challenge
We are slowly approaching our goal of $220,000. Are you able to help us get there? As of August 10, we only need $9,395 reach our pledge goal. We are getting close! Many thanks to the many people who have pledged. If you have not yet, we encourage you to please participate!
Pledge cards are available in the narthex, or donate online through the parish website, choosing “other”, with “CCC” in the memo.

Bolingbrook Community Chorus
Rehearsals for the 2021 Winter Concert begin Tuesday, Sept. 7, at 7:30 pm, at Fire Station 5, 1900 Rodeo Drive, Bolingbrook. (The concert is scheduled for Dec 5 in Bolingbrook.)


Do you or someone you know have need of a caregiver?
Irena, 630-901-2312, is an independent caregiver, who may be able to meet your needs.

Any arrangement made between you is totally independent of Christ the Servant parish, and you would be responsible for making any employment/background checks.

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.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 8/8/21

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. After the next $235 in paid pledges, we start earning a rebate!

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

2021 GOAL $40,700 AMOUNT PLEDGED: $43,875
AMOUNT PAID: $40,465 REMAINING BALANCE: $3,360
DONORS THIS YEAR: 206 (10 less than last year)

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

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.

BAPTMIS 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, Sept 2, 7:00 PM

Creation Care Corner

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

“To defend the earth and to safeguard water is to protect life.”

- Pope Francis

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION: Reduce outdoor watering waste.

Experts estimate that 50 percent of the water we use outdoors goes to waste from evaporation, wind, or runoff due to overwatering. Frequent lawn watering is expensive and often unnecessary. A typical lawn only needs about one inch of water per week to survive. So if there is no rain, water every 6-8 days to reduce your water bill. A best practice: water for 15 minutes then allow the water to soak in for a while and repeat 3-4 times, lessening waste of water run-off. This deeper soaking technique encourages the roots to grow deeper and be more drought resistant. Water early in the morning or at sunset to reduce loss from evaporation. Check the spigots for leaks.

Hotline Numbers for Help

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Over 55 Ladies Club
To participate, be sure to call one of the two people listed below by Monday the 23rd.

Ladies Lunch Out
Tuesday, August 24, 1:30 PM at

335 E Boughton Rd, Bolingbrook
You must call Carol P
Or Shirley W

New members welcome!
Religious Formation News

Registration
Registration for the 2021-2022 Religious Education classes has begun for Christ the Servant and Our Lady of Peace parishes. We are excited to about the upcoming religious education classes and the events that we have planned to help you and your children grow in faith, appreciate God’s love, and participate in the sacramental life of the Church. We ask that you take a moment to help us in our efforts to prepare for this coming year by registering your student by August 15, 2021. Registration forms can be picked up in the narthex of Christ the Servant, in the parish office of Our Lady of Peace or on the CTS website for your convenience.

Thank you, parents, for enrolling your children in our religious education program! We are blessed to be part of your family’s faith journey and appreciate your dedication to raising your children in our Catholic faith. If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact Christine Goba at 630-986-8430.

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 humanity 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.)

First Class
Religious Education classes will begin September 7 and 8 with an open house. Families are asked to join us as we celebrate and pray for our new RE year. Parents and students will be able to meet and talk to their new catechist, see the new building, enjoy hospitality and fun activities. The open house will end with a brief prayer service and blessing in the Our Lady of Peace church. I look forward to getting to meet everyone and showing off all of our plans for Religious Education.

We 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 to Sign Up
1. Visit http://signup.formed.org/
2. Enter our parish zip (60517) or name
3. Enter your name and email

FORMED® PICK OF THE WEEK
August 15, 2021

WATCH
In the Gospels we hear Jesus refer to his mother Mary as “Woman.” This reference should draw our attention to both Genesis and Revelation. But who is this “Woman,” and why is she so central to salvation history? This powerful film presents the Catholic teaching about Mary and her important role in the life of the Church today. On this Solemnity of the Assumption, let us ponder Mary’s role in our own lives!

The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Episode 11: The Assumption

LEARN
The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Journey Through Scripture

In this session of “The Bible and the Virgin,” we explore both the teaching of Mary’s Assumption and the identity of the mysterious woman in the book of Revelation. This episode also reveals how John’s apocalyptic visions are the dramatic fulfillment of the promise God made back in the Garden of Eden!

LISTEN
Mary: The Indispensable Mother of God by Tim Staples

In this Lighthouse Talk, Tim Staples explains the incredible impact that the Church’s understanding of Mary has on our spiritual lives, and the profound way that Marian doctrines elevate the faith. With his memorable insights and humor, Tim shows how correct knowledge of our humble Mother reveals our own identity in Christ and empowers us to say “Yes” to God!
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Our Parish's Anniversary

Join us as we celebrate Christ the Servant's "30 + 1" Anniversary of the first mass in our Parish Building. Come worship as we mark this occasion on Sunday, September 19 at the 10 am mass. Everyone is invited to come mark our journey into the future with special prayers and blessings!

PARISH PICNIC

Our Parish picnic will be on Sunday, September 19, 2021 from 12 to 4 pm on the Parish grounds. It will look a little different because of Covid. It will be BYOP (bring your own picnic lunch) and CTS will provide safely served cake and iced water. There will be music, 50/50 raffle, games and bingo with prizes! We'll also have a table set up to paint new and refurbish old stones for our Peace Garden. Welcome fall and getting together as a community and join in the fun. Masks always welcome so don't miss the fun!

Sharing Garden

The CTS Sharing Garden Team is thrilled to report that the vegetable garden is doing exceptionally well this year. We have harvested over 90 pounds of veggies already this season, with lots more to come. We wish to thank our helpers; Dorothy, who waters for us once a week and Paula, who delivers the produce to the West Suburban Food Pantry every Thursday.

We've been donating tomatoes, cucumbers, yellow squash, green beans and kale. Thanks again to our donors, whose financial support helped us purchase one additional raised bed, a hose reel and a shed to store our equipment this year.

Stop by and say hello when we are there picking on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 Mass!

Please save clear plastic clamshell containers for us to reuse. Thanks.

With much gratitude,
Chris B & Cindy F
Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT
Gloria Butcher & Julie Soule

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 14
4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, r. family
Gerald Johnson, r. family
Mom Peslak, r. Helene Peslak

Sunday, August 15
8:30 AM Diana Kowalski, r. Kathryn Kowalski
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Robert & Karen Losik & Debbie Kyle, Sp. Int., r. Bernie Kestler

Monday, August 16
8:30 AM Almaia Custodio, Sp. Int, r. Zenaida Cruz

Tuesday, August 17

Wednesday, August 18
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, August 19
8:30 AM Lily Mary & Inna Reddy

Friday, August 20—Communion Service
8:30 AM

Saturday, August 21
4:45 PM Louis Gallo, r. Frato family
Bernard Chudzik, r. Marcie Chudzik

Sunday, August 22
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Arthur Valliere, r. Corinne Hanson

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

Pam Alexander
Barbara Bayro
John Berger
Pat Chang
Pat Chuchla
Patti Crimer
Dinnocenzo family
Leslie Dunlap
Dick DuSatko
Faith Ann Fialek
Lauren Fields
John M. Foresman
Dcn. Tom Friske
Michael Harris
Carol Hendrich
Rita Hogan
Jim Innis
Eleanor Jahn
Rayna Januska
Jackie Marquis Jarvis
Jeanne Jordan
Richard Kopp
Barb Kosiek
Bob Kraft
Karen Kripas
S. Suzanne Lesniewski
Robert Losik
Patti Lucchetti
Joyce Maples
Chuck Neal
Kelsey Neal
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Alie Phillips
Lolit Ranchero
Dick Rosenbeck
John Rossi
Virginia Ryan
Jim Sanders
Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
Joseph Tomao, Jr.
Shirley Tomao
Hanh Truong
Mary Vanderplow
Bill Wagner
Betty Zoucha

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
Cole Jirgl, nephew of Corby & Sheri Schmitz
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.

Bible Readings—Aug. 15-Aug. 22

SUNDAY: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab / 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56
MONDAY: Jgs 2:11-19 / Mt 19:16-22
TUESDAY: Jgs 6:11-24a / Mt 19:23-30
WEDNESDAY: Jgs 9:6-15 / Mt 20:1-16
THURSDAY: Jgs 11:29-39a / Mt 22:1-14
FRIDAY: Ru 1:13-6,14b-16,22 / Mt 22:34-40
SUNDAY: Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b / Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a,25-32 / Jn 6:60-69
“After Jesus, it is the Blessed Virgin Mary who by her example most perfectly teaches the meaning of discipleship and stewardship...[S]he was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively and prudently; she understood her divinely assigned role as ‘handmaid’ in terms of service and fidelity.” (US bishop’s pastoral letter on stewardship)

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS Aug 5-Aug 10:**
- Sunday 8/1  $ 4,373.00
- Sunday other forms 6,290.00
- General Funds 244.62
- Debt Reduction 1,125.00
- Total Contributed $ 12,132.62

**Capital Ctrb Challenge (see page 2)**
- Needed $ 10,300.00
- Reported 12,132.62
- Catch up this period: $ 2,077.24

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

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**
- Propagation of the Faith $ 175.00
- Diocesan cemeteries 30.00
- Debt to Diocese 7/31/2021 $ 294,383
- Registered Households—768

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

**Did you know...**
- the electric bill for the church building for July was $994.80. The new units will be more efficient, so hopefully the electric bill will be able to go down once the new units arrive. Stay tuned for details!

**To learn more about how you can leave a legacy to benefit our parish or the diocese, please call 815-221-6100 and ask for the Development Office.**