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

There is no better way to pray than to place oneself like Mary in an attitude of openness, with a heart open to God: ‘Lord, what you want, when you want, and how you want’. 

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.

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CTS Capital Contribution Challenge

We are slowly approaching our goal of $220,000.
Are you able to help us get there?

As of August 17, we only need $9,195 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.

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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.)


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Do you or someone you know have need of a caregiver?

Anna, 815-999-1041, is an independent caregiver, who may be able to meet your needs. She speaks both English and Polish.

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

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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.

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Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
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, 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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Religious Formation News

Sacraments

Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith Formation is genuinely happy to be able to 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

WATCH

AUGUSTINE: A VOICE FOR ALL GENERATIONS WITH MIKE AQUILINA

During this very special week for the Augustine Institute, we celebrate both our patron, St. Augustine, and his mother, St. Monica! As a preeminent Doctor of the Church, Augustine has been said to be “the holiest of the wise and the wisest of the holy.” To celebrate this great Church Father, please enjoy Augustine: A Voice for all Generations!

LEARN

FORMED NOW: THE FEAST OF SAINT MONICA

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop’s help. In response, he said, “the son of those tears surely will not perish.” Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica’s tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint

LISTEN

THE FAITH AND CULTURE PODCAST: THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE

In this episode of the Faith and Culture podcast, Joseph Pearce and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the most towering Church Father of the West, St. Augustine. Together, Peace and Sehorn describe the purpose of Augustine’s Confessions, the reliability of this Saint, and his impact on the world in his own time and culture. Finally, they discuss what we can learn from Augustine today.
Our Parish's Anniversary

Join us as we celebrate Christ the Servant's "30 + 1" Anniversary of the first mass in our Parish. 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!

The next Manna Sale is beginning! 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 September 12 will be ready for pickup September 18/19.

The Catholic Education Foundation and Women's Giving Circle invite you to join us for our Inaugural Plaid and Khaki Ball Celebrating Catholic Education throughout the Diocese of Joliet. The Event will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Drury Lane Theatre and Events. For more information and to order your tickets, please visit our website: https://cefjoliet.ejoinme.org/PKB2021

FREE COMMUNITY SHREDDING

Saturday, August 28, 2021
1:00 pm—3:00 pm
Join us at Modell Funeral Home
7710 S Cass Ave, Darien, IL

Limit 2 boxes per car.
Shred event is for paper shredding only.
All material is 100% recycled.
No businesses, please.

This is a contact free, socially distanced event.
Please remain in your vehicle, and we will transfer boxes for you.

Sponsored by

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Mass Intentions for the Week

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
Cesar Banias, Rudy Cabigas, Ma Lourdes

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, August 21**
4:45 PM Louis Gallo, r. Frale family
Bernard Chudzik, r. Marcie Chudzik
Patti Luchetti, r. Jim & Melinda Nowak & family

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

**Monday, August 23**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, August 24**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, August 25**
8:30 AM Joan English, r. English family

**Thursday, August 26**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Friday, August 27—mass**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, August 28**
4:45 PM Leo Gross, r. Donna Mays
Richard Peslak, r. Helene Peslak
RoseMary DiVincenzo, r. Vince DiVincenzo

**Sunday, August 29**
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Arthur Valliere, r. Jim & Ginny McIlvain & family

*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.*

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We pray for the Sick

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

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We pray for the Deceased

Patti Luchetti

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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.
In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Aug 11-Aug 17:
Sunday 8/8  $      2,910.00
Sunday other forms         4,533.00
General Funds             155.00
Restricted Use             140.00
Debt Reduction             580.00
Total Contributed   $      8,318.00

Capital Ctrb Challenge (see page 2)
Differential this period:
Needed    $    10,300.00
Reported          8,318.00
Deficit this period:  $      1,982.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Propagation of the Faith $      1,701.00
Blue Jeans/Homeless            125.00
Debt to Diocese 7/31/2021    $294,383
Registered Households—768

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

Did you know…As Catholics, we are called to plan ahead and share the blessings of our lives with our loved ones and future generations. To help you be a steward of everything God has entrusted to your care, Christ the Servant is sharing a free, online will-writing tool. It takes 20 minutes or less to protect your family and your assets, and create a gift to pass the Catholic faith onto future generations and strengthen the church. Get started at FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet.