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

Any time is fitting for the message of peace; in no situation is God’s grace ever lacking.

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.

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.

Over 55 Ladies Club
To participate, be sure to call one of the two people listed below by Monday the 27th.

Ladies Lunch Out
Tuesday, September 28, 1:30 PM at

Cog Hill Country Club
12294 Archer Ave, Lemont, IL
You must call Sue L
Or Barb G

New members welcome!

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Bob will be blessing pets on Sunday, October 3, at noon, on the terrace outside the entrance doors. (In case of inclement weather, the blessing will take place in the narthex.) Bring your properly leashed or caged pet to receive a blessing!

First Friday Holy Hour
October 1, 2021
We pray the Holy Rosary after First Friday Mass/Communion Service in CTS’ Eucharistic Chapel in honor of Our Blessed Mother, Mama Mary. October is the month of the Holy Rosary!

“Love the Madonna and pray the Rosary, for Her Rosary is the Weapon against the evils of the World today.”

Saint Padre Pio

“Mother, now that the need is at its greatest and the powers of darkness seem to have free rein, we come to you with childlike trust and implore your powerful aid.”

Father Werenfried van Stratten.

The altar flowers this week are in honor of Don & Tina F’s wedding anniversary, donat-ed by Tina F.

Donations for altar flowers will be accept-ed in the parish office. ($35 suggested dona-tion.) Make sure you identify yourself (so the donation can be included on your tax records), and the person(s)/event you are honoring, and whether there is a specific date you want the flowers on the altar. First come, first served for choice of date. Please make the donation at least a month in advance so we can plan appropriately to purchase, place, and include in the bulletin.
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, Oct 7, 7:00 PM

Peace & Social Justice

Bread for the World Sunday

On the weekend of Oct 9-10, there will be the opportunity to sign letters to our Federal legislators to encourage them to pass legislation that will reduce hunger here and abroad.

A sample letter will be on display in the Narthex.

Thank you for caring about the hungry of this world.

Christ the Servant Peace and Social Justice Committee is sponsoring a free seminar on Fair Housing Past and Present on Tuesday, September 28th at 7:00 pm, at Christ the Servant Church, 8700 Havens, Woodridge. Learn about the past and present status of fair housing conditions both nationally and locally.

Housing discrimination is real, and it is happening right now. According to government estimates, more than four million instances of housing discrimination occur each year, though only 1% is reported (from Hope website).

The guest speaker is Rachel Watson, Director of Outreach for Hope Fair Housing. Rachel has a background in non-profit and social rights work. She is a graduate of Hope College and has been with Hope Fair Housing for two years.

Hope Fair Housing Center in Wheaton has been dedicated to eliminating housing discrimination across Illinois since 1968.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

RSVP: John E

Fall Campaign
September 22-October 31
Www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove

Hotline Numbers for Help

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Religious Formation News

Religious Formation Will Continue At Christ The Servant
Parents will be happy to know that Christ the Servant has decided to continue our own religious formation program as in previous years. All upcoming K-8 religion classes will take place at the Christ the Servant building.

Hurry, Hurry, Hurry… There is Still Time
Although registration has already begun for Religious Formation classes there is still time to register for classes.
Class times are:
Grades K-4 Tuesday 4:30-5:45
Grades 5-8 Wednesday 6:00-7:15
Remote non-Zoom option (any day of the week)

Up Coming RF Events
September 21-22 Teacher Meetings - Parking Lot Repair
September 28-29 Classes Begin
September 30-October 1 from 4:00-5:30 Remote Book Pick Up
October 1 Remote Classes Post
October 5-6 Classes (October 7 New Remote Classes Post)
October 12-13 Classes (October 14 New Remote Classes Post)
October 19-20 Classes (October 21 New Remote Classes Post)
October 27 Confirmation Saints Party 6:00-7:15
October 30 (Saturday TBA) Mitten Tree Set Up and Decorate: Middle School Service Project
November 2-3 Classes (November 4 New Remote Classes Post)

Flipgrid Join codes for Remote Learning:
Grade 1 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade1
Grade 2 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade2
Grade 3 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade3
Grade 4 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade4
Grade 5 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade5
Grade 6 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade6
Grade 7 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade7
Grade 8 join code: https://flipgrid.com/ctswoodridgegrade8
RF Teacher join code: https://flipgrid.com/goba4052

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)

There Still Is Time To Register For Sacrament Preparation
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.) There still is time to register your child for classes.

Is God calling you to share your faith?
Is God calling you to share your faith with his children? No one else can answer God’s call to His mission for your life but you. If you do not respond to God’s call, the unique work that God wanted to accomplish through you will not get done. Volunteers and Catechists are essential to running a successful RF program. Helpers are needed for online learning and in person. There are many different ways to help like there are many different types of children. Come join us as we work to make a difference, one child at a time. Please call the RF Director Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org if you are able to give time to help during the year.
Dear Parents,

My goal for Religious Formation is happy students and happy parents that are growing and become the best possible people that they can become, filled with the love and light of Jesus. Please don’t approach the RF classes and the Flipgrid lessons like regular schoolwork…we are not trying to "just get it done" or are looking for just a "correct answer." We are working on personal growth, direction in life, moral growth, understanding of why God made us, and relational growth (especially in our relationship to God.) We are trying to give the kids a rock-solid foundation to hang on to in tough times and a reason to have hope.

So, please think of the class as part of the journey to God and the content on Flipgrid and in the books as invitations to learn and grow in that journey. Since kids learn in different ways and enjoy different things, each lesson has lots and lots of different kind of activities in the Books and Apps. I have also included lots and lots of links with crafts and family activities. Your Child DOES NOT have to do everything! When you are at home working with your child, help them to choose what helps them to learn and most importantly GROW in their faith. Even older students that need less help will benefit from the occasional guidance of a parent so that they are not over-whelmed or are unengaged. Our Faith and relationship with God are the most important things because not only does it shape the way we will live now but also for our eternity.

God is Good; let us learn to enjoy and share in His goodness now. Most importantly, try to have FUN! (Seriously, have fun with the lessons and with your kids!) I am sure that is what God wants, too.

God Bless,
Christine Goba
TABERNACLE LIGHT
Patt Dennis & Joann Hall

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 25
4:45 PM  Charles Dennis, Sr., r. Pat Savage
Leonardo & Anna LaMonica, r. Frale Family
Robert W. Deron, r. Barry Deron

Sunday, September 26
8:30 AM Ray Edward Gierut, r. Gierut family
Maria Oanh Do, r. Khang Do & Gi Do
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Celia Sosa, r. family

Monday, September 27
8:30 AM

Tuesday, September 28
No Mass—Priests’ Convocation

Wednesday, September 29
No Mass—Priests’ Convocation

Thursday, September 30
No Mass—Priests’ Convocation

Friday, October 1
8:30 AM Pray for Donna Kowalski

Saturday, October 2
4:45 PM Joseph & Josephine Lotito, r. Frale family
Diana Kowalski, r. Kathryn Kowalski
Holy Souls in Purgatory that are near to Heaven,
r. Zenaida Cruz

Sunday, October 3
8:30 AM Paul Hogan, r. Ciolek family
Hanh Truong, Sp. Int., r. Hang Ho
10:00 AM People of the Parish

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

We pray for the Sick

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

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 those who Serve

Nolan Bowers, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers
Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Chase Halik, son of Tim & Peggy Halik
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
Raleigh Redinger, nephew of Mike Magee
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—Sept. 26-Oct. 3

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Guardian Angels

Feast of the Guardian Angels
October 2
St. James warns in today’s second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2020-2021**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS Sept 15-Sept 21:**

- Sunday 9/12  $ 3,325.00  
- Sunday other forms  3,060.00  
- General Funds  1,112.00  
- Restricted gifts  735.06  
- Debt Reduction  312.00  
- Total Contributed $ 8,544.06

**Capital Ctrb Challenge:** Congratulations, Christ the Servant! Your generous donations have achieved the goal of $220,000 for capital projects!!! THANK YOU!!!!

**Differential this period:**

- Needed $ 10,300.00  
- Reported  8,544.06  
- Deficit this period: $ 1,755.94

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

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**

- Disaster Relief  500.00  
- Diocesan cemeteries  10.00  
- Cash for Food  917.00  
- Blue Jeans for the Homeless  75.00

Debt to Diocese 8/31/2021 $283,182  
Registered Households—767

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

**Did you know…** Many thanks for Shining the Light of Christ through your donations to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal. As of the September 20 report, we have a rebate of $602 coming! 70% of any additional payments will be returned to CTS!

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.