Christ the Servant Catholic Church
Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.

After three days Jesus’ parents found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.

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

Life is a time for making decisive, eternal choices. Trivial choices lead to a trivial life; great choices to a life of greatness. In fact, we become what we choose. If we choose God, we grow daily in his love, and if we choose to love others, we find true happiness.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.

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.

A Good New Year’s Resolution:
Save Lives
The Knights of Columbus are Sponsoring a

Blood
Drive

Saturday, January 8th
From 7:30 AM to Noon
In the Activity Center
At St. Scholastica Church in Woodridge

Walk-ins are welcome. If you wish to make an appointment, contact Versiti Blood Centers at 1-800-7TO-GIVE or www.Versiti.org/IL. OR email wcshiffer@comcast.net and state the time you will arrive.

We donate to save lives. Each donation can save up to three lives. You will need an I.D. and please wear a mask.

Friday, December 31: Mary, Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation
4:45 pm only

Saturday, January 1: NO Holy Day morning mass
4:45 pm: Epiphany

Sunday, January 2: Epiphany
8:30 am and 10:00 am mass

Through the Waters of Baptism, the faith community of Christ the Servant Parish Welcomes

Jordan John, son of Jake & Lisa W
November 21, 2021

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
Christ the Servant—January, 2022

Jan. 1  No morning mass.
Jan 4  12:30 pm, Mah Jong
Jan 6  9:30 am, Yoga
Jan 6  7:00 pm, Baptism Preparation Class
Jan 9  10:00 am, Religious Formation 2nd graders serve at mass
Jan 10  7:00 pm, Religious Formation Commission
Jan 13  9:30 am, Yoga
Jan 15  9:00 am, Worship Commission
Jan 16  11:00 am, Baptism
Jan 17  7:00 pm, Admin/Finance Commission
Jan 17  7:00 pm, Peace & Social Justice Committee
Jan 18  12:30 pm, Mah Jong
Jan 20  9:30 am, Yoga
Jan 24  7:00 pm, Parish Pastoral Council
Jan 25  1:30 pm, Ladies Lunch Out
Jan 27  9:30 am, Yoga

For information on Religious Formation activities, see page 4

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

Mark Your Calendar
18th Annual World Peace Day
Interfaith Prayer Service
“Coming Together for the Common Good”
Sunday, January 2, 2:30 pm-4:00 pm
Wentz Concert Hall
North Central College
171 E. Chicago Ave., Naperville

Masks required

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
Religious Formation News

Religious Formation Class will be on Christmas break from December 15 to January 3. Have a nice break!

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates
December 15-29 Christmas Break
December 24 Christmas Eve Children’s Liturgy (Hosted by All Grades)
January 4-5 Classes resume (Jan 7 new remote classes post)
January 19 Second Graders serve at 10 am mass

Photos taken at the Christmas Traditions event. Like to see more pictures of what Religious Formation is up to? Check out the Christ the Servant Religious Formation Facebook page!

https://www.facebook.com/Christ-the-Servant-Religious-Formation
"Like" us!

From Christmastime
December 25, the Birth of the Lord through the Baptism of the Lord

Christmastime is a celebration of promises kept and prophecies fulfilled. During Advent, we hear Isaiah’s prophecy of a Savior who would be sent from God. During Christmastime we hear the good news of the birth of that Savior, Jesus of Nazareth.

It is hard for us to remember that it is not gifts under the tree that make Christmas so important. If the presents were all we looked forward to, then when the presents were opened, Christmas would be over for us.

But Christmastime is not just one day. It is a season of almost three weeks after December 25. Many good days come during Christmastime. There are the feasts of the Holy Family, Saint John, and the Holy Innocents. On January 1 we celebrate the solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. The solemnity of the Epiphany, the Sunday after January 1, is a key time of celebration in the annual cycle of the church year. Epiphany celebrations usually last for a week or so, until the Baptism of the Lord brings the season to a close.

Try to wait until after Christmastime is over to take down any decorations. The end of the Christmas season should not be sad. In face, some people leave their Christmas stable up until February 2, the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, or Candlemas, as it is also called.

From Blessings and Prayers through the Year, E. Jeep. © 2004
Save the Date!
Mr. Hassan Chaudhry will be presenting on
Asian Americans and the Model Minority Myth
Monday, January 10th at 7 PM
at Christ the Servant Church.
More details in the upcoming weeks.

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, Jan 6, 7:00 PM

THE POWER OF PRAYER
Each New Year many make New Year’s Resolutions, possibly to lose weight, refrain from gossip, or thank God for our blessings each day. Have you ever thought about marking your 2022 calendar to remind you to join in prayer every First Friday in CTS’ Eucharistic Chapel after the 8:30 am Service?
2022 dates: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2.

“More things are wrought by prayer than men dream of.”
Alfred Lord Tennyson

Creation Care Corner

Laudato Si’ on the Incarnation
In the Encyclical, Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home, Pope Francis encourages us to be open to awe and wonder when viewing the natural world that God created, in which He was incarnated, and of which we are a part. (Laudato Si’, 11)

Further, he reflects, “In the Christian understanding of the world, the destiny of all Creation is bound up with the mystery of Christ, present from the beginning: ‘All things have been created through him and for him’ (Col 1:16). The prologue of the Gospel of John (1:1-18) reveals Christ’s creative work as the Divine Word (Logos). But then, unexpectedly, the prologue goes on to say that this same Word ‘became flesh’ (John 1:14). One Person of the Trinity entered into the created cosmos, throwing in his lot with it, even to the cross. From the beginning of the world, but particularly through the Incarnation, the mystery of Christ is at work in a hidden manner in the natural world as a whole, without thereby impinging on its autonomy.” (LS, 99)

Joy to you, and to the whole world, this Christmas Season!
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
Steve Laughlin & Patricia Leskowski

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, December 25**
10:00 AM  Richard Lovito, r. Andie Wolfe
          Rino LaPaglia, r. Mom & Dad & Sister

**Sunday, December 26**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish
10:00 AM  People of the Parish

**Monday, December 27**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish

**Tuesday, December 28**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish

**Wednesday, December 29**
8:30 AM  People of the Parish

**Thursday, December 30**
8:30 AM  David Kestler, r. Bernie Kestler

**Friday, December 31**
No morning service
4:45 PM  People of the Parish

**Saturday, January 1**
4:45 PM  Fr. Jim Ratigan, r. founding pastor, anniversary of death
          John & Esther Michalek, & Gerald Johnson, r. family
          People of the Parish

**Sunday, January 2**
8:30 AM  Josephine Borkowski, r. Ciolek family
10:00 AM  People of the Parish

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

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**We pray for the Sick**

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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 Deceased**

**Paul Kneurr**

Becky LaRocque
(cousin of Mike Magee)

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**We pray for those who Serve**

| Nolan Bowers, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers | Anthony Nowak |
|Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz  | Linda Pennock |
| Chase Halik, son of Tim & Peggy Halik        | Alie Phillips |
| Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson | John Pilizota |
| Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove   | Loli Ranchero |
| Cole Jirgl, nephew of Corby & Sheri Schmitz | Dick Rosenbeck |
| Brock Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran         | John Rossi    |
| Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran          | Sonja Rudny   |
| Patrick Pendergast, son of Dave & Toni Pendergast | Jim Sanders |
| Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz     | Cathy Stpatato |
| Raleigh Redinger, nephew of Mike Magee       | Dan Szymanski |
| Dan Ward, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward     | Anastasia Thiem |

*If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. Please also let us know when they return home.*

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**Bible Readings—Dec. 26-Jan. 2**

**SUNDAY:** 1 Sm 1:20-22,24-28 / 1 Jn 3:1-2,21-24 / Lk 2:41-52

**MONDAY:** 1 Jn 1:1-4 / Jn 20:1a,2-8

**TUESDAY:** 1 Jn 1:5-2:2 / Mt 2:13-18

**WEDNESDAY:** 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

**THURSDAY:** 1 Jn 2:12-17 / Lk 2:36-40

**FRIDAY:** 1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18

**SATURDAY:** Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21

**SUNDAY:** Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 / Mt 2:1-12
The Most Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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Office Hours
Monday—Friday..............................9:00 AM—4:30 PM
Mass Schedule
Monday through Thursday......................8:30 AM
Friday Communion Service.....................8:30 AM
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.
Saturday.............................................4:45 PM
Sunday...........................................8:30 and 10:00 AM
Holy Days....consult bulletin or call

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment

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Tom Swik, Pastoral Council Chair
Ed Koch, Administration/Finance
Position Open, Christian Service
Donna Ciolek, interim Parish Life Chair
Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation
Position Open, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 26
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

OFFICES CLOSED THIS WEEK
Monday, December 27
8:30 am—daily mass

Tuesday, December 28
8:30 am—daily mass

Wednesday, December 29
8:30 am—daily mass

Thursday, December 30
8:30 am—daily mass
9:30 am—Yoga

Friday, December 31
No morning service
4:45 pm—Mary, Mother of God mass

Saturday, January 1
No morning mass
4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, January 2
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Upcoming Events
Dec 31: Solemnity of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation. Dec 31 @ 4:45 pm only. (No morning mass on Saturday, January 1)
Jan 1: World Day of Peace at North Central College, Naperville. (See page 3)

Parish Giving

The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2021-2022
Parish Expenses $  7,700.00
Debt Payment      2,600.00
Total Needed $   10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
CONTRIBUTIONS Dec 8-Dec 14:
Sunday 12/5  $      3,817.14
Sunday 12/12          3,446.00
Sunday other forms         3,555.00
General Funds          1,185.10
Restricted use             340.00
Debt Reduction             986.00
Total Contributed   $    14,354.24

Congratulations,
Christ the Servant!
Your generous donations have achieved the goal of $220,000 for capital projects!!! Donations will continue to be accepted, and will be put into savings for future capital needs. THANK YOU!!!!!

Differential this two-week period:
Needed    $    10,300.00
Reported        14,354.24
Deficit this period:  $      6,246.76

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Thanksgiving  $           25.00
Retired Religious             771.00
Debt to Diocese 11/30/2021    $249,359

Registered Households—781
God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!

Did you know….we are offering one mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. This will be at 4:45 pm on Friday, December 31.

Year End Giving
Thank you to all who have helped support our parish this past year. It’s been a rough year for many, and it’s still going to take a while to recover. Your many generous gifts to our parish are an example of your faith and commitment to our parish community and the Lord.

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