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 issue of migration, together with the pandemic and climate change, has clearly demonstrated that we cannot be saved alone and by ourselves: the great challenges of our time are all global.

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

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.

Brown Girl Dreaming

This is the next book for the CTS online book study group! We invite YOU to join us. Just get the book (under $10 in most book stores) and contact Mary Porod (marifranprod@yahoo.com) to send you a link. We hope to have fun with this and do it by reading it together. NO READING AHEAD NEEDED!
Meet on Thursdays 7 - 8:15 pm on Zoom, starting on January 13th. (It is not too late to join the group!)

Questions: Contact Karen J or Sr. Lois P

The author’s description of “Brown Girl Dreaming”: ‘Brown Girl Dreaming’ is my memoir in free verse. ‘Brown Girl Dreaming’ tells the story of my childhood, in verse. Raised in South Carolina and New York, I always felt halfway home in each place. In these poems, I share what it was like to grow up as an African American in the 1960s and 1970s, living with the remnants of Jim Crow and my growing awareness of the Civil Rights movement.

Why I wrote it: I wanted to understand who my mom was before she was my mother and I wanted to understand exactly how I became a writer. So I started researching my life, asking relatives and talking to friends – and mostly, just letting myself remember.

The deadline to order on the current Manna sale is 10:30 am Sunday, Jan. 23. Orders placed (and paid for) will be ready for pickup the following weekend. Order forms are available in the narthex.

Information about Manna can be obtained by emailing manna@ctswoodridge.org. You may also request an order form in Excel format. Just email!

Next week is the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.
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, Feb 3, 7:00 PM

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**Register now for the Day of Recollection**

All Catholic Scouts are invited to attend the 2022 Joliet Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting (JDCCS) retreat on Saturday, February 26 at Our Lady of Peace in Darien from 9am – noon. This year’s theme is “Trusting in God” and how to bring Him more fully into our lives.

The retreat is designed for scouts in American Heritage Girls, Scouts BSA, Girl Scouts of the USA, Campfire and others, ages K-12. (Children K-5 must be accompanied by an adult) and fulfills a requirement for Scouts who may be working on a religious medal. Scouts who have completed all other requirements may schedule a Boards of Review to receive final approval for their religious recognition. Participating scouts will receive a patch, a totem and/or participation beads.

Currently an in-person event is planned but the retreat will be moved to a virtual platform if needed. Registration and permission slips are now available on the Joliet Diocese website (https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting/). Deadline for registration is Monday, February 21, 2022.
Religious Formation News

Class times
Tuesday 4:30-5:45 Grades 1-5 & 8
Tuesday 6:00-7:15 Grade 6
Wednesday 6:00-7:15 Grades 1, 5-8
Remote non-Zoom option (any day of the week)

REMINDER
- If your child is not feeling well, they SHOULD NOT ATTEND formation sessions or parish activities.
- Masks are required for all indoor events, per Executive Order 2021-18.

Important Reminder:
Confirmation Student Meeting
All students preparing for Confirmation will need to attend a brief meeting on Monday, January 17 from 10:00 to 11:00am. This meeting will cover essential information and preparation for Confirmation. If your child cannot make the Student Confirmation Meeting, please contact Mrs. Goba to reschedule.

First Communion Retreat
All students preparing to make their 1st Communion will need to attend the Retreat on Saturday, February 5 from 10:00-12:00.
A parent will also need to attend with their child.

Congratulations to the children who celebrated their First Reconciliation
Congratulation to our students who have received their first Reconciliation or will be receiving the sacrament in the upcoming weeks. Please pray for them that they may always remain close to Jesus through this most holy sacrament. Thank you to their parents and teachers for all of their efforts to preparing and encouraging them.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates
January 17 Confirmation Student Meeting 10:00-11:00 am (Mandatory)
January 18/19 Classes (Jan 21 new remote classes post)
January 25/26 Classes (Jan 28 new remote classes post)
February 5 First Communion Retreat 10:00-12:00
February 8/9 Classes (Feb 18 new remote classes post)
February 15/16 Classes (Feb 18 new remote classes post)
February 22/23 Classes No In-Person Classes ALL CLASSES REMOTE
February 23 Catechist Formation Evening
February 26 Confirmation Forms Due

Like to see 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!
Over 55 Ladies Club
To participate, be sure to call one of the two people listed below by Monday, January 24, 2022.

Ladies Lunch Out
Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 1:00 PM at

5900 S Rte 53, Lisle, IL
You must call
Carol H
Alie P
New members welcome!

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

Saturday, March 12, 2022
10:00 am—12:00 pm

Goal: To engage the parish leadership and other interested parties in meaningful dialogue and educational initiatives that result in awareness of racial and social inequalities in our communities.

TO REGISTER FOR THIS FREE ZOOM MEETING
1. Email tpmarciani@gmail.com to request registration
2. A registration form will be e-mailed to you
3. After you register, the Zoom link will be emailed to you

For additional information, please contact
Deacon Tom Marciani
Call: 630-721-2232
Or EMAIL: tpmarciani@gmail.com

The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is now underway, and we are asking everyone to pledge their support to this important effort for our diocese, and our parish.

This year’s CMAA theme, Devoted to the Works of the Lord, illustrates how the many ministries our annual appeal supports allow us to join together to do God’s work throughout our diocese. From helping the poor and vulnerable to forming future priests and educating people of all ages in the faith, the ministries funded through your gifts are far more extensive than our parish could provide on its own.

Our parish’s goal for the 2022 CMAA is $43,400, and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish!

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office to request one. If you have changed parishes during the year, please check to make sure the parish number is 253.

2022 GOAL $43,400 2021 REBATE EARNED $4,323
Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT
Jim Brabec

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 15
4:45 PM Dick DuSatko, r. Donna Mays
   Mary & Jack Adams, Sp. Int, r. Jean Durran
   Holy Souls in Purgatory that are near to Heaven
   William Moracewski, r. Barry Deron

Sunday, January 16
8:30 AM Trudy Novak, r. Marge Buch
   Walerya Wielgus, r. Barry Deron
10:00 AM Almaia Custodio, Sp. Int, r. Zenaida Cruz
   People of the Parish

Monday, January 17
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 18
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 19
8:30 AM Bruce Fichte, r. Roy & Donna Clavey

Thursday, January 20
8:30 AM Hailey Kornack & family & Tajkowski family, Sp. Int.,
   r. Bernie Kestler

Friday, January 21
8:30 AM Pray for Lottie Bugay

Saturday, January 22
4:45 PM Ginny & Bill Haas, r. Elena Haas
   Lottie Bugay, r. Deacon Rod & Chestine Accardi
   Ann & John Halpen, r. Ken & Mary Kay Bastuga

Sunday, January 23
8:30 AM Paul Knuerr, r. Ciolek family
   Joyce Feltz, r. Lee & Annette DeCamp
   People of the Parish
10:00 AM Caterina Perricone, r. Onofria Perricone

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

Bible Readings—Jan. 16-Jan. 23

MONDAY: 1 Sm 15:16-23 / Mk 2:18-22
TUESDAY: 1 Sm 16:1-13 / Mk 2:23-28
WEDNESDAY: 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51 / Mk 3:1-6
THURSDAY: 1 Sm 18:6-9;19:1-7 / Mk 3:7-12
FRIDAY: 1 Sm 24:3-21 / Mk 3:13-19
SATURDAY: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27 / Mk 3:20-21 (other options available)
SUNDAY: Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10, 1 Cor 12:12-30 or
   12:12-14,27 / Lk 1:1-4;4:14-21

We pray for the Sick

Bruce Barnhard
Barbara Bayro
Nancy Becker
Sharon Bhaskar
Jim Brabec
Pat Chang
Scott Christensen
Roy Clavey
Bonnie Fiebrantd
John M. Foresman
Dcn. Tom Fricke
Joann Germanie
Julie Grell
Mary Pat Haas
Michael Harris
Carol Hendrich
Rita Hogan
Remington Howard
Steve Jackson
Rayna Januska
Jeanne Jordan
Barb Kosiek
Bob Kraft
Karen Kripas
Joan Kurtz
Brian Labuta
Josie Landichino
Alan LeDuc
S.Suzanne Lesniewski
Robert Losik
Christy Lucarelli
Joyce Maples
Jeff May
Joe Machanis
Chuck Neal
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Alie Phillips
John Pilizota
Danny Ramsey
Lolit Ranchero
John Rossi
Sonja Rudny
Jim Sanders
Cathy Spataro
Dan Szymanski
Anastasia Thiem
Frank Tiesenga
Joseph Tomaeo, Jr
Shirley Tomaeo
Trunzo family
Mary Vanderplow
Bill Wagner

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 Deceased

Carmela Florio
(mother of Filomena DiFranco and
Domenica LaPaglia, grandmother of
Susanne Burg, great-grandmother of
Joseph O’Donnell Burg)

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. Please also let us know when they return home.
In Today’s second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians (and us) that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits — the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Jan 5-Jan 11:
Sunday 1/2  $      3,370.00
Sunday other forms         3,891.00
Christmas             570.00
General Funds             935.00
Restricted use          1,100.00
Debt Reduction          1,500.00
Total Contributed   $    11,366.00

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 period:
Needed    $    10,300.00
Reported        11,366.00
Catch up this period:  $      1,066.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Diocesan cemeteries $           40.00
Latin America/Africa              20.00
Debt to Diocese 11/30/2021    $249,359
Registered Households—781

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

Did you know…contribution statements for the 2021 year will be mailed before January 31.

**NEW!**
To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on “Donate”, then click on “Stock Donations or call the Development office at 815-221-6100 for information.