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

Peace is not often achieved by famous people, but by the daily determination of ordinary men and women.

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.

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Celebrating the Season of Creation

The Season of Creation is a month-long prayerful observance that calls upon Catholics to pray and care for God’s Creation. It starts September 1st and ends October 4th. It’s a time to reflect on our relationship with the environment, how we live, and how our lifestyles impact the natural world, humans and other creatures inhabiting it. Words of Pope Francis, “individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation...”.

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops reminds us that “we show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of Creation”. Pope Francis urges us to recognize our connectedness with the natural world saying, “Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live. We are part of nature, included in it and thus in constant interaction with it.” (LS 139).

Advocating for Creation Care helps safeguard the inheritance the Creator has given us, ... an inheritance essential to our well-being. Pope Benedict XVI told us that protecting this inheritance is a way of fulfilling our role as stewards of Creation.

Save the Date Parish Event of the Year!

Wine, Beer and Harvest Cheer

Friday, November 4th, 2022, 6-10:00 pm.

Grand Raffle-DJ-Pizza-Appetizers-Raffle Baskets-Wine & Beer Tasting

$10—Adults/Kids—No wine/beer
$20-Adults for Wine/Beer Tasting

Tickets for Wine/Beer Tasting & “Grand Raffle” will be on sale after all masses starting September 24th.

Knights Need People for Annual Collection!

Can you spare 1-2 hours on Fri, Sept. 16 and/or Sat. Sept. 17? The Woodridge Knights of Columbus is holding their annual Intellectual Disability (ID) Street Corner Drive on both days & need help! CTS is assigned 87th and Boughton, from 8am-5pm. The more collected, the more we are able to help those in need. Please sign up for a specific timeslot on the Sign-Up Board in the Narthex. Include your email and cell phone number please. One hour, two hours, whatever you can commit to would be fantastic.

Knights appreciate the help!

Joe Testolin,
630-901-5952 (cell)

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TIDBITS

If you have time when leaving mass, please view the bulletin board for upcoming events.

Also, Religious Formation has registration forms and brochures available by the entrance for both adults and youth for exciting learning opportunities.
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 Fricke at 630-985-5266.

**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, August 4, 7:00 PM

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**Diocese of Joliet Office of Pastoral Outreach**

Presents a Mass celebrating Persons with Disabilities with Bishop Ron Hicks

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**Peace filled morning in a Butterfly Garden**
Saturday – September 17th\(^{th}\) 8:30 am-1:00 pm
779 Feather Sound Drive, Bolingbrook, IL 60440

Parishioners Patti & Jerry Crimer are hosting a Butterfly Garden walk in conjunction with the Park District Birding Event on the Gateway Wetlands. Saturday, September 17th at 8:30 am. A butterfly release is planned to honor the souls which have passed on, and to welcome the coming of the end of another season of life. The Gateway Wetlands, a federally protected wetland with 6 ponds is 49 acres with paved accessible pathways for hiking/exploring. The "Birding Activity" is also for all ages hosted by the Bolingbrook Park District --activities included between 8:30 and 10 am. Registration for birding is required through the website [www.bolingbrookparks.org/event/birdwatching-at-gateway-wetlands](http://www.bolingbrookparks.org/event/birdwatching-at-gateway-wetlands). The events are free, rain or shine. Bring a chair for relaxing. Questions: Call Jerry at 630-432-5274

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**St Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive**
Volunteers & Donations needed
Mark your calendars for the weekend of **September 10th and 11th 2022**
Get your clothes and household items ready.
Thanks in advance!
Want to help with collections? Contact Ted Basta
708-829-9008

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**Hotline Numbers for Help**

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We are excited to assist and accompany your family on their journey of faith here in our parish. The Religious Formation Office is concerned with equipping your child with the skills to develop a personal and grace filled relationship with Jesus. The instruction that we provide for your child is intended to extend your resources in order to help you foster spiritual growth within your family life. The Religious Formation program partners with families in the passing on of the Catholic faith with a formalized, systematic program based on your child’s developmental level for 1st grade through 8th grade. We are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

Registration for K-8 Religious Formation Classes

Registration has already begun for Religious Formation classes. Classes begin September 13 and 14. RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org and in the Narthex.

Classes begin September 13 and 14.

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)

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.)

Adult Sacrament Classes

Adult interested in completing their Sacraments or in becoming Catholic are invited to join us this fall as we begin session that will be both online and in-person. Call Christine at 630-910-0770 for more information.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

Early Registration for 2022-2023

Formation Registration for 2022-2023

September 13 and 14 - Classes Begin
Religious Formation Up
Coming Dates

Formation Registration for 2022-2023

September 13 and 14 - Classes Begin – Student and Parent Prayer and Open House

September 18 Catechist Meet and Greet

September 20-21 Regular Classes

September 22-23 Remote Student Book Pick-Up

September 27-28 Regular Classes

October 4-5 Regular Classes

2022-2023 Religious Formation
Class Times
Tue 4:45-6:00pm, Kindergarten-4th, and 8th grades
Tue 6:30-7:45pm, 5th thru 7th grades
Wed 4:45-6:00pm, Kindergarten thru 6th grades
Wed 6:30-7:45pm, 1, 2 and 5th thru 8th grades

Note: Classes may be combined or canceled for insufficient enrolment.

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 Catechist are essential to running a successful RF program. 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.

Catechist are invited

Mark your calendar!
There will be a Catechist Meet & Greet on Sunday, September 18 (Time TBA).

Is God calling you to share your faith as of 8/28/22
Your participation in the CMAA is important. The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide countless ministries, programs, and services to support our friends and neighbors in immeasurable ways.

Our goal is $43,400. 70% of gifts received over goal will be returned to our parish for our use. A mailing has been sent to parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the 2022 CMAA. If you have not done so already, please prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA.

A gift to the CMAA, no matter the amount, will make a difference! Together, we can continue to spread the Gospel message in our diocese through our ministries and help others in need. Thank you for your support!

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

2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal
2022 GOAL $43,400
AMOUNT PAID: $40,264
DONORS THIS YEAR: 216
2022 GOAL $43,400
AMOUNT PLEDGED: $45,644
REMAINING BALANCE: $5,400
REBATE AMOUNT: none yet
PLEDGES NEEDED TO GOAL: We made it!
Congratulations on achieving our goal!
Remember to keep up on pledges!

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT
James G. Frale

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
4:45 PM John & Esther Michalik,
Gerald Johnson &
Shirley & Paul Stiglic, req. family
Carmen Valliere, req. Suzanne Valliere

Sunday, September 4
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Anna Le, req. Luke Ho
Carmen Valliere, req. Suzanne Valliere

Monday, September 5—Labor Day
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, September 6
8:30 AM Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy and
Kaspa Reddy, req. Kireeti Reddy

Wednesday, September 7
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, September 8
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, September 9—communion service
8:30 AM Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 10
4:45 PM Carmen Valliere, req. Suzanne Valliere
James G. Frale req. Frale family
James Sullivan, req. Sullivan family

Sunday, September 11
8:30 AM Dan & Karen Bowers, req. Bernadette Glass
10:00 AM People of the Parish

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

Bible Readings—Sept 4th-11th

SUNDAY: Wis 9: 13-18b/Phlm 9-10,12-17/Lk 14:25-33
MONDAY: 1 Cor5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
TUESDAY: 1 Cor 6:11/Lk 6:12-19
WEDNESDAY: 1 Cor7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
THURSDAY: Mt 5:4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or
1:18-23
FRIDAY: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
SATURDAY: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
SUNDAY: Ex 32: 7-11,13-14/1 Tm1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or
15:1-10

We pray for the Sick

Alie Phillips
Jean Jordan
Alfredo Mendez
 Robert Rodriguez
Michael Durkovic Sr.
 Donna Mays
Karen Gormley
 Barbara Bayro
Sharon Bhaskar
 Jim Brabec
 Pat Chang
Donna Ciolek
 Vic Cordes
 Marge Felix
Edwina Feret
 John M. Foresman
Marty Foy
 JoAnn Frale
Dcn. Tom Fricke
Leona Falk Gordon
 Robert Gripp
 Joanne Hafler
Michael Harris
Carolyn Heinrich
Carol Hendrich
Peggy Howard
Fred Huth
Rayna Januska
Ed Jasewsky
Madeline Jasewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Mike Joyce
Derek Kaunelis
Jaxxon Kelner
Ida Kenny
Stephen Kolpack
Zoe Kolpack
Barb Kosiek
Karen Kripas
Francisco Legaspi
SSuzanne Lesniewski
Robert Losik
Joyce Maples
Jan May
Chuck Neal
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennock
Kim Peterson
Alie Phillips
Bob Pluta
Lolit Ranchero
John Rossi
Jim Sanders
Jennifer Stile
Patty Stuka
 Dan Szymanski
Frank Tiesenga
 Hanh Truong
Mary Vanderplow
Bill Wagner
Nicole Wilker
Andie Wolfe

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 bryn@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.

We pray for the Deceased

Please pray for the soul of
Father Robert Noesen.
St. Peter the Apostle Parish in
Itasca

We pray for those who Serve

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreashak
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
Brock Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durran
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.
How many of us live day-to-day not being aware of what we do or perhaps even who we are? Living a conscious, purposeful life takes a lot of energy and commitment. Jesus came into our world to teach us how to live such a life as His Stewards. He reached out to everyone, even those who were considered outside of the acceptable community life.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: Aug 28:
Sunday 8/28 3,286.00
Sunday other forms 2,926.00
General Funds 665.00
Restricted 775.00
Debt Reduction 170.00
Total Contributed $ 7,822.00

Differential this two week period:
Needed $ 20,600.00
Reported 7,822.00
Deficit this period: $ 2,478.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Diocesan Priests Care $ 0.00
Debt to Diocese 7/31/2022 $160,246
Registered Households—781

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

Did you know….We are still seeking an afternoon receptionist, Mon-Thursday, 1:30 to 4:30. Please send your information to Father Bob if interested. Frbob@ctswoodridge.org

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.