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

Our models of consumption and production, and our lifestyles, must respect creation and the integral human development of all peoples. Let us renew the covenant between human beings and the environment, a mirror reflecting the creative love of God.

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

Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.

Undy Sunday 2022

Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.

Christ the Servant Parish is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting the following NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households:
- Women’s underwear (all sizes)
- Boy’s and girl’s underwear sizes 3T-5T
- Soap/Body Wash

Collection will be held the weekend of October 16, 2022. Collection box will be in the narthex of the church and will be there the following weekend as well.

If you would prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to:
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill, IL 60403

Wine, Beer & Harvest Cheer

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.

Christ the Servant
Group Praying the Rosary
October 15,th at Noon

Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer.
We would like to invite you to pray together for peace and healing.

Please meet on Saturday, October 15th at Noon, at the front entrance of the church. Remember to bring a lawn chair. Weather permitting the our group will pray the rosary outside.

R.S.V.P. Andie Wolfe at 630/926-7444

TIDBITS

October 22nd and 23rd Father Bob will be speaking about sharing time and talents during volunteer opportunities weekend.
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, October 6, 7:00 PM

On the Ballot this November!
Referenda to establish Community Mental Health Boards are on the ballot for the Tuesday, Nov. 8 General Election in Will County, the Townships of Addison, Lisle, Naperville, Winfield, Schaumburg, Wheeling, and Vernon.

If approved by voters, the referenda will create Community Mental Health Boards, also known as 708 Boards, in each location. The volunteer boards would be appointed by the Township Supervisor or County Board Chair. With the approval of the Township or County Board a small property tax is levied to provide for expanded services for mental health, substance use disorders and intellectual and developmental disabilities for residents of the Township or County. www.AdvocateFor708.org

Early voting opens Monday, October 24th

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month
October is known for many, often seasonal, things. One thing that may be lesser known, though, is that it’s Domestic Violence Awareness month. According to the World Health Organization, statistics reveal that abuse within the home affects 30% of women. (Men can be victims of abuse as well, but 85% of the targets are women.) This statistic remains steady across all levels of society, race, education and profession—as well as religious affiliation, according to author Dr. Christine Welland. When people go to Mass on Sunday morning and gaze around at fellow parishioners, it’s sobering to think that one out of every three women has been, or is, a victim of abuse within her home.

Intimate partner violence, which is also called by its acronym—IPV, isn’t something that’s frequently talked about, and often only physical battering is considered. Bruises and broken bones shout obvious abuse, while a broken spirit isn’t as visible. Bruises to the soul are easily buried with a false smile and cover-up stories to hide the truth, yet abuse of any kind creates confusion, self-blame, depression, despair, anxiety and fear.

Part II will follow next week.

Creation Care Corner

“Praise be to you my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us …”
—St. Francis of Assisi

PROTECT AND RESPECT GOD’S GIFT OF NATURE

The Season of Creation (Sept. 1 to Oct. 4) ends on the Feast of St. Francis. Love opened St. Francis to the divine mystery at the heart of everything. He realized that the God of his life was the God of every life and he called all creatures “brother and sister.” Each and every thing, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, had infinite value because it reflected God in its own unique being. Francis attended to every creature with grace and respect. He lived in solidarity with all creation because his life was part of every other life—all were bound together in the compassionate love of God. His life shows that when we live in the gift of God’s merciful love, we live with a new reality of belonging together, bound in the heart of God’s mercy.

—Ilia Delio, OSF Earth Community and Mercy Consciousness excerpts

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.

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)

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.)

There is still time to Register for Religious Formation Classes.

RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org and in the Narthex. For more information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org

Sacrament Reminder

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.

Christ the Servant Religious Formation Class Times

Tuesday 4:45-6:00 pm Grades K-4 & 8
Tuesday 6:30-7:45 pm 5-7 grade
Wednesday 4:45-6:00 pm 1-6
Wednesday 6:30-7:45 pm 5-8 grade
Remote non-Zoom option (any day of the week)
Upcoming Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study -
Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John
Being Catholic takes more than simply believing in God or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer—he wants you to be his disciple and friend. To help you answer this call to deeper friendship with Christ, we will begin Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John on September 29 thru November 17 at 1:00-2:30 pm.

For more information or to register, contact Christine Gob at 630-910-0770 or cgoba@cdoj.org. The cost for the book and study is $25. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

Remote Student Book Pick-Up
Remote Religious Formation student book pick-up, parents please make arrangements to pick up their child’s textbook in the Narthex by contacting the RF office at 630-910-0770.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates
October 4-5 Regular Classes
October 6 Adult Bible Study “Follow Me”
October 11-12 Classes
October 12 Confirmation Presentation “Scientific Evidence of God’s Existence” with Greg Porod.

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Parents and sponsors are may attend also.

October 13 Adult Bible Study “Follow Me”
October 18-19 Classes
October 19 Confirmation Presentation “Philosophical Proof of God’s Existence” with Jerry Fialek.

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Parents and sponsors are may attend also.

October 20 Adult Bible Study “Follow Me”
October 25-26 Classes Students are welcomed to dress up as saints for classes.
October 26 Confirmation Saints Party

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Saint costumes are mandatory.

October 27 Adult Bible Study “Follow Me”
October 29 Mitten Tree Set Up and Decorate (Middle School service Project)

2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 9/25/22
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 GOAL $43,400
AMOUNT PAID: $41,869
DONORS THIS YEAR: 217

AMOUNT PLEDGED: $46,164
REMAINING BALANCE: $4,295
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!!!
**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

Joan English

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, October 1**
4:45 PM People of the Parish

**Sunday, October 2—Pet Blessing**
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Anastasia Mary Nolte, req. Deb & John Canning and Liz DAquila

**Monday, October 3**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, October 4**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, October 5**
8:30 AM Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, October 6**
8:30 AM Inna Reddy, req. Kireet Reddy

**Friday, October 7—mass**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, October 8**
4:45 PM Pauline Dennis, req. Pat & Debi Savage Bill & Helen Kolodziej req. Helene Peslak

**Sunday, October 9**
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Diane Folga, req. Wm. (Bill) Folga

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

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**Bible Readings Oct 2 thru 9—**

**SUNDAY:** Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4/2 Tm1:6-8, 13-14/Lk17:5-10

**MONDAY:** Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37

**TUESDAY:** Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42

**WEDNESDAY:** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk11 1-4

**THURSDAY:** Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13

**FRIDAY:** Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11: 15-26

**SATURDAY:** Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28

**SUNDAY:** 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

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**We pray for the Sick**

Barbara Bayro  
Sharon Bhaskar  
Jim Brabec  
Pat Chang  
Donna Ciolek  
Michael Durkovic Sr  
Vic Cordes  
Marge Felix  
Edwina Feret  
John M. Foresman  
Marty Foy  
Dcn. Tom Fricke  
Robert Gripp  
Karen Gormley  
Carolyn Heinrich  
Carol Hendrich  
Peggy Howard  
Fred Huth  
Rayna Januska  
Ed Jasczewsky  
Madeline Jasewsky  
Jeanne Jordan  
Derek Kaunelis  
Jaxxon Kelner  
Ida Kenny  
Stephen Kolpack  
Zoe Kolpack  
Barb Kosiek  
Karen Kripas  
Patricia Lackey  
Thomas Lackey  
Francisco Legaspi  
Suzanne Lesnie  
Robert Losik  
Joyce Maples  
Jan May  
Donna Mays  
Jim McIlvain  
Chuck Neal  
Anthony Nowak  
Linda Pennock  
Kim Peterson  
Alie Phillips  
Janice Pro  
Bob Pluta  
Lolit Ranchero  
Robert Rodriguez  
John Rossi  
Lucille Russonillo  
Pat Savage  
Jim Sanders  
Jennifer Stile  
Dan Szymanski  
Frank Szmy  
Mary Vanderplow  
Bill Wagner  
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.

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**We pray for those who Serve**

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreshak  
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.

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**We pray for the Deceased**

Please pray for the deceased of the parish
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: Sept 21-27 2022:
Sunday 9/11 $3,961.00
Sunday other forms 1,976.00
General Funds 30.00
Restricted 340.00
Debt Reduction 20.00
Total Contributed $6,327.00

Differential this period:
Needed $10,300.00
Reported 6,327.00
Deficit this period: $3,973.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
World Missions $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… 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.

A free, online will-writing tool is available through the Diocese of Joliet. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet.