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

Facing the danger of nuclear war, let us learn from history. Even 60 years ago there were huge tensions, but the way of peace was chosen. As the Bible says: “Ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is, and walk in it” (Jer 6:16).

Undy Sunday 2022

CTS is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, by collecting new items for children & adults: Women’s underwear (all sizes) Boy’s & girl’s underwear sizes 3T-5T, Soap/Body Wash. Collections will be held through October 22/23 2022. Collection box will be in the narthex.

Ladies Over 55 Luncheon

Lunch luncheon will be at Stevens Family Restaurant. 2393 63rd St, Woodridge, Tuesday, October 25th at 1:30 pm. Please R.S.V.P. Casey Kellner at: 630/910-7169 by Oct. 24th.

CTS Thanksgiving & Christmas Sharing 2022

It is that time of the year for the Thanksgiving & Christmas sharing program benefitting Woodridge Horizons, Senior Living. Per new guidelines at WHSL, we are asking for gift cards only for BOTH Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will NOT be collecting any food!

There are 93 apartments homes this year. Sign up for the holiday gift cards will be Nov. 5, 6, 12 & 13, at all masses. All cards are due back to the church by Sunday, Nov. 20th. Please purchase gift cards thru Manna, which helps CTS. Manna orders due on Nov. 6 and Dec. 4. If you have a questions, please call or text Denice Kraft at 630/985-8875

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

Thank you again for your overwhelming generosity!

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
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, November 3, 7:00 PM

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**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
**The Catholic Church and IPV**
The Catholic Church takes a firm stance against the evils of IPV. Numerous popes have spoken clearly against IPV, including Pope Francis, who said, “I think particularly of the shameful ill-treatment to which women are sometimes subjected, domestic violence and various forms of enslavement which, rather than a show of masculine power, are craven acts of cowardice. The verbal, physical, and sexual violence that women endure in some marriages contradicts the very nature of the conjugal union.”

**What can you do to Support Someone You Love**
If you recognize any of these warning signs or traits in your relationship, educating yourself and getting spiritual and therapeutic help is highly recommended. (See resources below.) If you have a loved one who’s suffering from IPV, there are a variety of ways you can provide support. One of the most damaging statements a well-intentioned loved-one can make is “Why don’t you just leave?” Leaving an abusive relationship isn’t easy. A physically or psychologically battered person is usually trauma-bonded to a partner (a toxic bond formed by the intermittent reinforcement of loving behavior mixed with abuse), and it can be physically dangerous for a woman to leave. A solid escape plan, created with the help of professionals, is often necessary. It’s important to be there for your loved one. Empathize and don’t judge or make critiques. Believe her and be with her. Don’t make excuses for her abuser and don’t pressure her to make decisions she’s not ready to make. Love and listen, educate yourself, and above all pray for those involved. Through awareness, parish and personal support, education and prayer, we can all contribute to reducing domestic violence within our communities, parishes, and perhaps even in our own homes.

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**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

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.

Religious Education Sponsorship – Faith Forward
No child should be denied being taught about God just because their parents cannot afford to send their children. To help our parents pay for Religious Education we are starting a Religious Education Sponsorship program. We invite you to become part of the Faith Forward: Christ the Servant Religious Education’s Sponsorship Program. By sponsoring the faith formation of a child – by passing your faith forward — you help to lay the foundation and shape the future of both our children and the whole of our Catholic community.

There are several ways to financially assist in passing your faith forward:
- A $175.00 donation will pay for one year of religious education tuition
- $100.00 will pay for the Sacrament fee of a child who cannot afford the fees for receiving a Sacrament
- $25.00 will purchase a child’s textbook for the year
Other sponsorships such as retreat expenses, high school programs, speaker engagements, classroom audio/video equipment are also available.

Hurry before your child misses all of the fun!
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

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)

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.

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)
2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 10/9/22

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:               $42,509
DONORS THIS YEAR:          218

AMOUNT PLEDGED:            $47,334
REMAINING BALANCE:         $4,825
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!!!

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 Goba at 630-910-0770 or cgoba@rcdoj.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.

Confirmation Saints Party
All Confirmation Students are asked to attend the Saints Party on Wednesday, Oct. 26. This event is part of preparation for Confirmation. This event is part of preparation for Confirmation. Saint Costumes Required for the Confirmation Party.

Confirmation
Scientific Evidence of God’s Existence

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30-7:45 pm class for a presentation by Greg Porod on Scientific Evidence of God’s Existence. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

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)

Confirmation Saints Party

On October 25-26 students, K-7 are invited to Dress Up as Saints for Classes.

Adult Bible Study

Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John
Edward Sri
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Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Helen Farrer

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 15
4:45 PM John & Ester Michalek and
Gerald Jonson, req. family
Kathleen Firestone, req. Rita Sisko

Sunday, October 16
8:30 AM John & Mary Borkowski and
Henry & Josephine Borkowski, req. Ciolek family
Mitchell Rendak, req. Gierut family
Thomas Elapunkal, req. Clara Elapunkal
10:00 AM Almaia Custodio, Sp Int. Zenaida Cruz

Monday, October 17
8:30 AM Alice Mulkerrin, req. Marj Wilkey

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

Wednesday, October 19
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, October 20
8:30 AM Pray for the Holy Souls that are near to Heaven

Friday, October 21—Communion Service
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, October 22
4:45 PM Richard Kellner, req. Donna Ciolek
Michael Hanrahans, req. Ken & Mary Bastuga

Sunday, October 23
8:30 AM Helen Ciolek, req. Ciolek family
Richard Buch, req. Marge Buch
Ray Gary Gierut, req. Gierut family
10:00 AM People of the Parish

We pray for the Sick

Barbara Bayro Madeline Jascewsky
Sharon Bhaskar Jeanne Jordan
Jim Brabc Derek Kaunelis
Pat Chang Jaxon Kelner
Donna Ciolek Ida Kenny
Michael Durkovic Sr Stephen Kolpack
Vic Cordes Zoe Kolpack
Tina Fassero Barb Kosiek
Marge Felix Karen Kripas
Edwina Feret Patricia Lackey
John M. Foresman Thomas Lackey
Marty Foy Francisco Legaspi
Dcn. Tom Fricke Suzanne Lesniewski
Robert Gripp Robert Losik
Karen Gormley Joyce Maples
Joan Haffner Jan May
Michael Harris Donna Mays
Carolyn Heinrich Jim McIlvain
Carol Hendrich Chuck Neal
Peggy Howard Anthony Nowak
Fred Huth Linda Pennock
Rayna Januska

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

Elaine Kralovec
Leoncio Bacani

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.

Bible Readings Oct 16 thru 23

SUNDAY: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3 14—4:2/Lk 18: 1-8
MONDAY: Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21
TUESDAY: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9
WEDNESDAY: Eph 3: 2-12/Lk 12:39-48
THURSDAY: Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53
FRIDAY: Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12: 54-59
SATURDAY: Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9
SUNDAY: Sir 35:12-14,16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18/Lk 18:9-14
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Office Hours
Monday—Thursday 8:30 AM—4:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM—1:30 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—8:30 AM
Sunday 8:30 AM 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
Chris Bojanowski, Worship

Calendar of Events
Sunday, October 16
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
11:00 am—baptism

Monday, October 17
8:30 am—daily mass
7:00 pm—Admin/Finance Commission
7:00 pm—P&SJ

Tuesday, October 18
8:30 am—daily mass
12:30 pm—Mahjong
RF Classes, grades K-5

Wednesday, October 19
8:30 am—daily mass
RF Classes—HS group

Friday, October 21
8:30 am—Communion Service
Saturday, October 22—World Mission
Volunteer Kickoff
4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, October 23—World Mission
Volunteer Kickoff
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Parish Giving
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: Oct 5—11, 2022:
Sunday 10/9 $ 3,395.00
Sunday other forms 3,395.00
General Funds 190.00
Restricted 510.00
Total Contributed 5,507.00

Differential this period:
Necessary $ 10,300.00
Reported 5,507.00
Differential this period: $ 4,793.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
World Missions $ 0.00

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.

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