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

Saints do not come from a “parallel universe”. They are believers rooted in their daily activities with their families, study, work; social, economic and political life. In all these settings, they fearlessly strive to carry out God’s will.

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.

Extra Hands Needed for Advent Set-Up
On Sunday, November 20th, immediately following the 10:00 am mass, helpers are needed to set-up the Nativity, hanging of banners, wreaths, greens. Please join us.

Thanksgiving Mass
Thursday, November 24th at 10:00 am

Craft Fair and Christmas Shopping
Save some of your Christmas shopping for the Craft Fair in the narthex before and after masses the weekend of December 3rd and 4th.

All homemade crafts supporting area crafters will be available for purchase. Come and browse and buy items that will delight friends and family. Hope to see you there on December 3rd & 4th!

Solemnity of Christ the King
This is a very special day in the life of the church which marks the end of the liturgical year as well as the supreme victory of Christ over every evil. Believe it or not, Advent begins Sunday Nov. 27!

Lighting of the Advent Candles
Volunteers are needed to light the advent candles at each mass. Please use sign-up sheets outside of the Sacristy to help with lighting of each special advent candle.

CTS Thanksgiving & Christmas Sharing 2022
Thank you for your generosity for supporting the CTS Thanksgiving & Christmas sharing program benefitting Woodridge Horizons, Senior Living. All 93 apartment residents living in the apartment complex will receive grocery store gift cards for both holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas thanks to your support.

All cards are due back to the church by Sunday, Nov. 20th. If you have a question, please call or text

Denice Kraft at 630/985-8875

Again, thanks for your big-heartedness.

Funeral Planning Team Opportunity
Christ the Servant is looking for additional members to serve on the Funeral Planning team. Duties include a member of the funeral team meeting with the family who has lost a loved one and assisting with creating a celebration of life mass. Other members assist during the funeral mass with handing out booklets and making sure the church is prepared for the funeral mass/service.

Training is provided.

Please call the office for additional information at: 630-910-0770.

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Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
Gratitude, Generosity and Stewardship
In the Encyclical, Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home, Pope Francis encourages us to imitate God’s generosity, calling for an attitude of “...gratitude and gratuitousness, a recognition that the world is God’s loving gift, and that we are called quietly to imitate his generosity in self-sacrifice and good works.” Pope Francis further explains, “One expression of this attitude is when we stop and give thanks to God before and after meals. I ask all believers to return to this beautiful and meaningful custom. That moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life; it strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation; it acknowledges those who by their labours provide us with these goods; and it reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need.” (LS 222, 227).

We show our respect and gratitude to the Creator by acknowledging those who by their labours provide us with these goods; and it reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need. Happy Thanksgiving!

Retirement Fund for Religious Order Priests
Pope Francis often highlights the value of older adults and the role they play in conveying the faith from one generation to the next. In his message this year for World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, he noted, “A long life – so the Bible teaches – is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance.”

As we approach the annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection on the weekend of December 10-11 — an appeal that benefits some 25,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests in the United States — I am reminded that senior religious never retire from their vows.

Paz y bien,
Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks
Bishop of Joliet

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, December 1, 7:00 PM

Downers Grove Area FISH Pantry Donation
As we approach the holiday of Thanksgiving, the staff at the FISH Pantry would like to thank all the wonderful donors. During the month of October, Christ the Servant members donated 254 pounds of food.

Because of your kindness, the pantry was able to offer a variety of groceries to all households who came into the pantry. In addition they are now able to offer prepared food for the homeless.

Knight of Columbus Why Join?
Deepen our faith as a member of the Knights of Columbus you have access to a wealth of spiritual resources.

Join our next meeting on Wednesday, November 23, at 7:00 pm. Meeting at St. Scholastica, 7800 Janes Av., Woodridge. (meetings are the 4th Wednesday of each month)
Come see how the Knights serve others.

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

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION

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

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

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.

Confirmation Presentation “True Happiness”
All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation by Cindy Fish on True Happiness. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Religious Formation
Thanksgiving Break
Religious Formation class will not meet on November 22 or November 23 but only an optional Thanksgiving lesson will be posted on Flipgrid for each class. May everyone have a blessed Thanksgiving break.

Thanksgiving Day Mass
Religious Formation students are invited to participate in the Thanksgiving Day Children Liturgy at 10:00 Thanksgiving day. Student Volunteers are still need to help out at this Mass. Contact Christine Goba to volunteer to help. cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770.

Religious Formation’s Grand Event
Thank you to everyone who joined us for Religious Formation’s "Grand Event" celebration. We are so proud of students who spent the afternoon doing something to thank their Grandparents for that they do for them. May God bless all of our Grandparents and Grand-friends.

Religious Formation’s Honor Grand Parents
As part of RF’s Grand Event, we are asking parents to help their children to participate, in a Covid-19 safe way, by doing some kind of act of kindness to their grandparents and other seniors in the area during November. We hope to help our students to grow in love and appreciation for those who have labored before us to build our families, churches, and nation.

Forgiveness Day Reconciliation Retreat
Thank you to everyone who participated and everyone who helped out at the 1st Reconciliation retreat last weekend. It was a great experience for children preparing to make their 1st Reconciliation.
### Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

November 23-24 NO CLASS

November 25 Thanksgiving Children’s Day Liturgy *(Hosted by 2nd, 6th and 8th grade)*

November 29-30 Reconciliation for Grades 3-8 during class time.

December 6-7 Classes

December 11 3:00 RF Christmas Program

December 11 4:00-5:30 Concert with Jazz Spectrum

### JAZZ Concert

**All are Invited to Join Our Religious Formation Families for a Christmas Concert**

At Christ the Servant Church Sunday, December 11 at 4:00-5:30pm With Musical Guest Jazz Spectrum.

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### Book Study Holy Moments:
**A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life**

Christ the Servant will begin a new book study this Christmas season with a new book by Mathew Kelly called Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life. To get a copy of this new book or for more information about the book study please stop by the Religious Formation office or call Christine at 630-910-0770.

Some ideas are so powerful that simply becoming aware of them changes our lives forever. Holy Moments is such an idea. It is profoundly simple, astonishingly practical, and once you discover it your life will finally make sense. It’s time to let Holy Moments show you what is possible. It is time to explore your soul-potential.

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### 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 11/13/22

**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.

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

TABERNACLE LIGHT
Virginia Kozlowski

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS
Saturday, November 19
4:45 PM John & Anna Bacigalupo, req. Frale family
Leoncio Bacani, req. Pat & Debi Savage
Catherine Giblin, req. Burton Family

Sunday, November 20
8:30 AM Jean Rendak req. Gierut family
Joe Florio, req. of family
10:00 AM Raymond DuPass, req. DuPass family
Lily Mary & Inna Reddy and
Kaspa Reddy, req. Kireeti Reddy

Monday, November 21
8:30 AM Lily Mary & Inna Reddy and
Kaspa Reddy, req. Kireeti Reddy

Tuesday, November 22
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, November 23
8:30 AM Bernice C. Deron, req. Barry Deron
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 24
10:00 AM Religious Formation Students
and Families, req. RF Office

Friday, November 25—NO SERVICE

Saturday, November 26
4:45 PM Deceased Member of the Over 55
Ladies Club, req. Over 55 Ladies Club
Alice Mulkerrin, req. Marjory Wilkey

Sunday, November 27
8:30 AM Lorraine Happel, req. Christine Goba
10:00 AM People of the Parish

We pray for the Sick

Erin Babington
Sharon Bhaskar
Jim Brabec
Pat Chang
Donna Ciolek
Michael Durkovic Sr
Victor Cordes
Marge Felix
John M. Foresman
Marty Foy
Dcn. Tom Fricker
Robert Gripp
Karen Gormley
Joan Ha
ger
Barbara Hile
Michael Harris
Carolyn Heinrich
Carol Hendrich
Fred Huth
Rayna Januska
Ed Jasczewsky
Madeline Jasczewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Derek Kaunelis
Ida Kenny
Barb Kosiek
Karen Kripas
Patricia Lackey
Thomas Lackey
Suzanne Lesniowski
Robert Losik
Joyce Maples
Jan May
Donna Mays
Chuck Neal
Anthony Nowak
Linda Pennnock
Alie Phillips
Janice Proskey
Bob Pluta
Lolit Ranchero
Robert Rodriguez
John Rossi
Sonja Rudny

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 deceased
John J. Hauppa

We pray for those who Serve

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andrashak
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: Nov 9-Nov 15, 22
Sunday 11/14 $ 4,711.00
Sunday other forms 8,467.00
General Funds 450.00
Restricted 95.00
Debt Reduction 1,943.00
Total Contributed $ 15,666.00

Differential this period:
Needed $ 10,300.00
Reported 15,666.00
Differential this period: $ 5,366.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
World Missions $ 30.00
All Saints $ 10.00
All Souls $ 80.00
Seminar Support $ 145.00
Campaign Human Dev $ 85.00
Solemnity of Mary $ 10.00
Priest/Nuns retirement $ 30.00
Christmas Mass $ 30.00

Debt to Diocese 10/31/2022 $126,670
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.
CHURCH NAME & NUMBER —
Christ The Servant—512145

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TRANSMISSION TIME —
Wednesday, 2:30 pm

SUNDAY DATE BULLETIN —
September 11, 2022

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS —QUANTITY

250 please.