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.
Let us set out each day praying for one another, working together as witnesses of the peace of Jesus, by persevering in the same journey by our practical acts of charity and unity. In all things, let us love one another from the heart.

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

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

Ash Wednesday Mass & Ashes Schedule
8:30 am mass, 4:30 pm RF/prayer service and 7:00 pm mass

Caring Network Baby Bottle Drive
Christ the Servant is participating in the Caring Network live & virtual baby bottle drive that provides critical support for women facing unexpected pregnancies.

Place your cash/check donation into the Sunday collection basket, or place the baby bottle into the basket found on the large table in the Narthex.

Baby bottles and/or cash donations need to be returned to the church next Sunday: February 19th. Thank you.

AMERICAN LIKE ME

This is the next book for the CTS online book study group! We invite YOU to join. Get the book and contact Mary Porod marifranprod@yahoo.com who will send you the Zoom link for each meeting.

1st and 3rd Wednesdays
7 - 8:15 pm on Zoom
Starting Wednesday, January 18, 2023

“American Like Me,” Reflections on Life Between Cultures, Editor: America Ferrera with E. Cayce Dumont. It comes in Kindle, hardcover and paperback.

From award-winning actress and political activist America Ferrera comes a vibrant and varied collection of first-person accounts from 32 prominent figures about the experience of growing up between cultures.

In preparation for the January 18th meeting, read the introduction by America Ferrera and the first chapter by Reshma Saujani

Questions? Contact: Mary Porod marifranprod@yahoo.com OR Sr. Lois Prebil lprebil@ameritech.net

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.
Creation Care Corner

Weekly Stewardship Recommendation:

**Lent is coming.** Consider a “fast” for Creation Care… sacrificing some comfort, giving up a wasteful practice, or modifying your actions to reduce harm to the environment. Some ideas include:

**A Meat Fast:** How about adding a meatless Monday to meatless Fridays? What about eating only chicken when you do eat meat, or sustainably caught fish?

**An Energy Fast:** How about turning the thermostat down 2°-5° F lower than usual and putting that sweater on? And maybe turn the water heater down to 120° F and only take 3-minute showers?

**A “Stuff” Fast:** Buying only the bare minimum of essentials you need and simplifying your life? And how about staying away from as much plastic as you can and minimizing your waste stream?

“….the environment is God’s gift to everyone.”
— Pope Benedict XVI

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, March 2, 7:00 PM

Bulletin Shorts for Winter Ordinary Time

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Attending to Law.** Both civil and church law give us standards to guide our thought and behaviors. Outward acts help us attend to inner treasures. We need help for interpreting law rightly so that external actions reflect a right and merciful heart. That is why the Penitential Act is made early in Mass before gifts and selves are brought to the altar.

✶ How will I live in right relationship with God today?
✶ How will this spill over into right relationship with sisters & brothers?
✶ How will my interpretation of God’s law be filled with mercy and loving kindness?

Ladies Over 55 Luncheon

The Over 55 Ladies monthly luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 28th at 1:00 p.m. (note new time) at:

Chuck’s Cafe
8025 S. Cass Avenue, Darien, IL

R.S.V.P. by February 25th to Casey 630-910-7169 or Sue 630-852-8797.

Lent Begins
Ash Wednesday

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

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Religious Formation News

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION

CLASS TIMES:
- Tuesday 4:45-6:00 Grades K-4 & 8
- Tuesday 6:30-7:45 Grade 5-7
- Wednesday 4:45-6:00 Grade 1-6
- Wednesday 6:30-7:45 Grades 6-8

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

No Religious Formation Classes
February 14-15

Religious Formation classes will not meet on February 14 and 15 for a Catechist formation event.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

- February 7-8 Class
- February 14-15 No Classes (Catechist Formation Evening and DRE Retreat)
- February 21-22 No Class Please attend Ash Wednesday Services
- February 22 at 4:30 is the Children's Liturgy
- February 28-March 1 Class
- March 4 (Saturday) First Communion Retreat 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. (Child and Parent event for preparation for 1st Communion)
- March 7-8 Class
- March 8 Confirmation Presentation “Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?” with Deacon Rod Accardi. All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Parents and sponsors may attend also.
- March 14-15 Class

Catechist Meeting and Formation Night

All CTS Catechists and Aids are invited to a Catechist Evening of Formation “This is My Body, This is My Blood” on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Christ the Servant. Catechist are invited to meet together at 6:45 for coffee and sharing before the presentation. Please join us at Christ the Servant or you can watch the workshop online.

Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Presentation “Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering”

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on “Why be Catholic” with Deacon Rod Accardi. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant’s Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Kane on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is May 16 at 7:00 a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

Confirmation Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 13 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

Please pray for our Confirmandi as they prepare to receive this most important Sacrament.

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus’ life and what he means for us as Catholics today. Christ the Servant Parish will begin the Jesus study at 2:00pm on Thursdays and will run through April 20. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D’Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or cgoba@rcdoj.org. We hope you can join us!

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.
40-Hours Devotion

The 40-hours devotion is typically celebrated by the Blessed Sacrament being exposed for a 40-hour period in one location, minus the time taken for Mass. Participants may say prayers, rosaries, litanies, chaplets, and read reflections, guided meditations, the bible, etc. When it is more feasible, the 40-hours are interrupted for the night and extended over several days. The solemn closing of the 40-hours devotion often includes Benediction of the Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Catholic Church is in the first year of a 3-year National Eucharistic Revival. As the Holy Season of Lent approaches, the Religious Formation ministry and the Worship Commission invite all of you, our Christ the Servant family, to spend some time in Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

On the first four Sundays of Lent (Feb. 26, Mar. 5, Mar. 12, and Mar. 19), the Blessed Sacrament will be in Exposition from the hours of 11:00AM to 9:00PM.

During those hours each Sunday, you have an opportunity to spend time with Our Blessed Lord thanking Him, praising Him, loving Him, and listening to Him.

If you come for an hour each Sunday, that is wonderful, but maybe you have less time; or maybe you can only come on one of the Sundays - that would be fine too but try to come to “Watch and Pray” with the Lord Jesus at some time.

Each Sunday, our 10 hours of Exposition will close with Benediction.

Also, as part of Lenten Sunday activities, on March 12 at 7:00pm Fr. Matthew Jamesson from the Archdiocese of Chicago will be our guest speaker.

Catholic colleges and universities are well-known for their academic excellence and are among the world’s most prestigious learning institutions. Catholic colleges and universities offer a strong foundation for nurturing faith.

Benedictine University Lisle, IL

Is Catholic University in the Benedictine Tradition founded in 1887. Studies include: Goodwin College of Business, Benedictine University’s School of Education, College of Liberal Arts and College of Science & Health with more than 20 majors, a variety of minors, concentrations that are designed to prepare for careers in these fields.

BenU also has a vibrant Campus Ministry Office, dedicating itself to pastoral care, faith formation, and furthering the common good through the practice of our Benedictine hallmarks. It has a 15:1 Faculty / Student Ratio and $116,000 Scholarship money awarded in 2021. For more information www.ben.edu/Admissions Social Media: @BenUMinistry Campus Ministry: campusministry@ben.edu 630-829-1310.

2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 2/5/23

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 2023 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.

2023 GOAL: $43,400
AMOUNT PAID: $5,790
DONORS THIS YEAR: 37
Remaining Balance: $1,125

2023 Goal: $43,500
AMOUNT PLEDGED: $6,915
PLEDGES NEEDED TO GOAL: $37,710
REMAINING BALANCE: $1,125
REBATE AMOUNT: $0

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

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, February 11**
4:45 PM Deceased members of the Panfil family, req. Richard and Shanon Weltin
Lorraine Riedl, req. Tina Fassero
Ernest Peterek Sr, req. Peterek family

**Sunday, February 12**
8:30 AM Maryann Bader, req. Ed and Donna Czekaj
10:00 AM Pellegrino Perricone, req. Perricone family

**Monday, February 13**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, February 14**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, February 15**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Thursday, February 16**
8:30 AM Ken Nelson, req. Paul Wisdom
Almaia Custodio, Louissie Imo, & Forrest Cruz, req. Zendaida Cruz

**Friday, February 17**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, February 18**
4:45 PM Deceased members of the Altman family, req. Richard and Shanon Weltin
Lorraine Riedl, req. Gannon family
Joseph Debrancesco, req. Therese Debrancesco

**Sunday, February 19**
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM James J. Frale, James G. Frale, Catherine & John Frale, req. Frale family

**We pray for the Sick**

Barbara Bayro, Jessica James
Sharon Bhaskar, Rayna Januska
Jim Brabec, Ed Jascewsky
Pat Chang, Madeline Jascewsky
Donna Ciolek, Jeannie Jordan
Michael Durkovic Sr, Ida Kenny
Rudy Durkovic, Paul Knight
Vic Cordes, Barb Kosiek
Karl Eggers, Karen Kripas
Marge Felix, Robert Losik
John M. Foresman, Joyce Maples
Marty Foy, Jan May
Joanne Fricke, Donna Mays
Dcn. Tom Fricke, Sue McGuire
Robert Gripp, Chuck Neal
Joan Haffner, Janice Prosky
Michael Harris, Bob Pluta
Carolyn Heinrich, Wm. (Bill) Rausch
Carol Hendrich, Loli Ranchero
Barbara Hile, Maggi Rocco
Fred Huth, Robert Rodriguez
Brian Jackson, John Rossi

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**

May God give comfort and peace to the John & Sylvia McIvor family who recently lost their loved one, John McIvor Sr. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

**We pray for those who Serve**

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andresek
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 Feb 12 thru Feb 19**

**SUNDAY:** Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37 (76)

**MONDAY:** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13 (335)
**TUESDAY:** Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21 (336)

**WEDNESDAY:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26 (337)
**THURSDAY:** Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33 (338)
**FRIDAY:** Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34—9:1 (339)
**SATURDAY:** Heb 11:1-7/Mk 9:2-13 (340)

**SUNDAY:** Lv 19:1-2,17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48 (79)
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: 2022-2023
Parish Expenses $7,700.00
Debt Payment $2,600.00
Total Needed $10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: Jan 15, 2023
Sunday $3,854.00
Debt Reduction $90.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: Jan 12—Jan 24
Sunday $5,395.00
Sunday other forms $8,230.00
General Funds $80.00
Restricted $100.00
Debt Reduction $844.00
Total Contributed $14,649.00

Differential this period:
Needed $10,300.00
Reported $14,649.00
Differential this period: $4,349.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Latin America $25.00
Ash Wednesday $20.00
Easter $20.00
Christmas 2023 $25.00

Debt to Diocese 12/31/2022 $104,181
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.