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.
In God, no act of love, no matter how small, and no generous effort will ever be lost.

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.

LENTEN REGULATIONS
1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.
   When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulation, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.)

Join us this Lent for our Parish Mission on March 12 at 7:00pm
Fr. Matthew Jamesson from the Archdiocese of Chicago will be our guest speaker. He will be giving a talk titled: “Eucharistic Adoration & Contemplation: A Rehearsal to the Beatific Vision”

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- February 24th — Led by Administration/Finance Commission
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Pope Francis’ Tweet for the Week
In God, no act of love, no matter how small, and no generous effort will ever be lost.
CTS continues to support the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove area FISH (includes Woodridge), & Blue Jeans for the Homeless. Food items are very welcome, including canned goods, rice, peanut butter, personal care & paper products. Please drop off your donation in the parking lot before mass.

Cash donations are most appreciated. Any cash amount is welcome! A Cash for Food Blue Donation Box will be available in the Narthex for your convenience. Please make checks payable to Christ the Servant. All cash & checks will be converted to food donations & distributed promptly. Thank you for attending to the needs of those less fortunate.

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, April 6, 7:00 PM**

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**Bulletin Shorts for Lent**

**It is Good to Be Here.** God says to each of us today: I will bless you; live a holy life. Thus, it is good to be here in this holy Lent. Like the three apostles on the mount, we listen to Christ, we witness his divine glory, and we keep our eyes on the promise of heaven while living in merciful ways today.

*How will the radiant Christ shine through my thoughts and actions?*

*What will I do to listen more intently to Christ each day this week?*

*Because of God’s mercy to me, what mercy works will I do today and tomorrow?*

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**Easter Egg Hunt**
St. Scholastica Gym & Rec. Center on Saturday, March 18 at 11:30 am.

Easter Bunny, Snacks, Prizes!
Free Admission
All are welcome for lot’s of fun.
Sponsored by our:
Knights of Columbus Council #5918

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**March Manna Sale is here!**

Manna order forms are available in the Narthex or on the CTS website. If you have a question, please call Bill at 630-724-9498.

Orders placed (and paid for) by the end of the 10:00 am mass on Sunday, March 19th. The gift card order will be ready for pickup the weekend of March 25th and 26th.

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**Hotline Numbers for Help**

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Religious Formation News

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!

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

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, March 8 at the 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on “Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?” With Deacon Rod Accardi. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Confirmation Reminders and News

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

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

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

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
March 18 (Saturday 4:45) Religious Formation’s St. Patrick Mass
March 21-22 Class Grades 3-8 Reconciliation All classes work on Lent Class Projects
March 28-29 No Class Spring Break
April 4-5 No Class Holy Week
April 7 Good Friday Religious Formation Event Students Stations of the Cross 7:00pm in Church
April 11-12 Class
April 18-19 Class
April 18 or 19 All Confirmation Students Confirmation Interview

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.
Lent Mission Speaker

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Eucharistic Adoration and Contemplation: A Rehearsal to the Beatific Vision
Sunday, March 12 at 7:00pm.

Father Matthew Jamesson is a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago, ordination class of 2014, and is currently assigned as Associate Pastor at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Palatine, IL. Fr. Jamesson received his MDiv. at Mundelein Seminary, where he also completed a Pontifical degree with an S.T.B. (Baccalaureate in Sacred Theology) and is currently a candidate for his Licentiate. During his time as an Associate, Fr. Matt attended the Institute of Priestly Formation for three years to be trained and certified in Spiritual Direction through Ignatian spirituality.

Join Us For a Holy Hour on Friday’s During Lent

Come sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 3:00-4:00 pm during Lent. Please join us for Adoration and prayer for the needs and intentions of our parish families.

So, you could not stay awake with Me for even an hour? Be on guard, and pray that you may not undergo the test (Mt 26:40-41).

“There are different ways to ‘watch one hour’ with the Lord. One of the most powerful and fruitful ways is to spend an hour in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. We call this a Holy Hour because it is an hour spent in the presence of the Holy Eucharist: Christ Himself, the One who alone is Holy.” - How to Make a Holy Hour: Be Present To The One Who Is Present by Fr. George W. Kosicki, CSB. ©1995 Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M.

2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 2/12/23
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: $43,500
AMOUNT PAID: $5,790
DONORS THIS YEAR: 37

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

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!
**TABERNACLE LIGHT**
To request a mass, or the Tabernacle Light, call the parish office at 630-910-0770.

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, March 4**
4:45 PM Lorraine Riedl, req. Donna Mays
Don Fassero, req. Tina Fassero family
JoAnn Frale, req. John Frale family
John & Esther Michalek, Gerald Johnson, req.
Frale family

**Sunday, March 5**
8:30 AM Julie Wisdon, req. Paul Wisdom & family
10:00 AM People of the Parish

**Monday, March 6**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, March 7**
8:30 AM Jim Sullivan, req. Carole Sullivan family

**Wednesday, March 8**
8:30 AM Stanislaw Wielgus, req. Barry J. Deron

**Thursday, March 9**
8:30 AM Jean Aletto, req. Carol Sullivan

**Friday, March 10**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, March 11**
4:45 PM Lorraine Riedl, req. Helene Peslak
Deceased members of the Czerwinski family, req.
Pat Savage

**Sunday, March 12**
8:30 AM Carmen Haas req. Elena Haas
Josephine Borkowski, req. Ciolek family
Ricky Kopp, req. Margaret Buch
10:00 AM People of the Parish

**Bible Readings March 5 - March 12**

**SUNDAY:** Gn12:1-4a,2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9 (25)
**MONDAY:** Dn 9:4b-10/Lk6:36-38 (230)
**TUESDAY:** Is 1:10,16-20/Mt23:1-12 (231)
**WEDNESDAY:** Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 (232)
**THURSDAY:** Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16: 19-31 (233)
**FRIDAY:** Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a Abstinence
Mt: 33-43, 45-46 (234)
**SATURDAY:** Mt 7: 14-15,18-20/Lk 15:11-32 (235)
**SUNDAY:** Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2,5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or
4:5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42 (28)

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**We pray for the Sick**

Barbara Bayro  
Sharon Bhaskar  
Jim Brabec  
Pat Chang  
Donna Ciolek  
Michael Durkovic Sr  
Rudy Durkovic  
Vic Cordes  
Karl Eggers  
Marge Felix  
John M. Foresman  
Marty Foy  
Joanne Fricke  
Dcn. Tom Fricke  
Robert Gripp  
Joan Haagner  
Bill Harwig  
Michael Harris  
Carolyn Heinrich  
Carol Hendrich  
Barbara Hile  
Fred Huth  
Brian Jackson  
Jessica James  
Rayna Januska  
Ed Jasciewsky  
Madeline Jasciewsky  
Jeanne Jordan  
Ida Kenny  
Paul Knight  
Barb Kosiek  
Karen Kripas  
Robert Losik  
Joyce Maples  
Jan May  
Donna Mays  
Sue McGuire  
Chuck Neal  
Janice Proskey  
Bob Pluta  
Wm. (Bill) Rausch  
Lolit Ranchero  
Maggi Rocco  
Robert Rodriguez  
John Rossi  
Sonja Rudny  
Jose Sabado  
Jim Sanders  
Ken Sloup  
Jennifer Stile  
Dan Szymanski  
Frank Tiesenga  
Mary Vanderplow  
Bill Wagner

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 the Deceased**

May God give comfort and peace to the family of Patricia Gross. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

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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 Durrnan  
Kade Ketcham, cousin of Jean Durrnan  
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.

**Parish Expenses:** $ 7,700.00  
**Debt Payment**  
**Total Needed** $ 10,300.00

**Contributions: Feb 22—Feb 28**  
Sunday $ 5,274.00  
Sunday other forms $ 4,515.00  
**General Funds** $ 92.50  
**Restricted** $ 375.00  
Debt Reduction $ 168.00  
**Total Contributed** $ 10,424.50

**Differential this period:**  
Needed $ 10,300.00  
Reported $ 10,424.50  
Differential this period: $ 124.50

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

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**  
Eastern Europe $ 200.00  
Ash Wednesday $ 1,933.00  
Easter $ 0.00

**Debt to Diocese 1/31/2023** $ 92,888.00  
Registered Households—784

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

Easter Vigil Mass Saturday, April 8th at 8:00 pm.  
Sunday  
8:30 & 10:00 am