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

Let us #PrayTogether for those who have suffered because of the wrongs done to them by members of the Church. May they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

Holy Week Mass Schedule

- Holy Thursday, April 6—mass 7:00 pm
- Good Friday, April 7—mass 3:00 pm & Stations 7 pm
- Holy Saturday, April 8—Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
- Easter Sunday, April 9—masses 8:30 and 10:00 am

Flowers on the Ambo

The flowers on the ambo this weekend are in loving memory of,
Rudy and Lorraine Porod
From Greg and Mary Porod

Stations of the Cross

Fridays During Lent

During Lent you are invited to join us for the Stations of the Cross, which is a Magnificent way to reflect on the love Christ has for us as reflected in the Passion through which Jesus suffered.

Each Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm, here in the church, we will engage in a Stations of the Cross. Stations will be led by a different commission each week.
- March 17th — Led by Parish Life Commission
- March 24th — Led by Parish Pastoral Council
- March 31st — Led by Christian Service
- April 7th — Led by Religious Formation Students

Donate Cash for Food

MARCH 18TH & MARCH 19TH

CTS continues to support the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove area FISH (includes Woodridge), & Blue Jeans for the Homeless. Food items are 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.

Donate a Easter Ham on April 2nd

Support local and families in need of a Easter ham. Woodridge Neighbors Helping Neighbors and the West Suburban Community Pantry are in need of Easter hams.

CTS will accepting donated hams, any weight, fresh or canned on April 2nd, Palm Sunday.

Please drop-off your ham donation in the church parking lot on: Sunday, April 2nd between 8:00 am to 10:15 am.

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.
Easter Candy Sale
Before and After All Masses
Saturday, March 25th and Sunday March 26th

Looking to fill your Easter baskets? Mark your calendar for the CTS Parish Life Commission’s 2nd annual Easter Candy Sale. Sale is Sat. March 25 & Sunday March 26 before and after all masses. We’ll be selling chocolate bunnies, chocolate lollipops, dipped pretzel rods, bunny bark, decorated dipped cookies, rice Krispy treats, all packaged & ready for gift giving. Treats feature Ghirardelli chocolate and are handmade and packaged. Gluten free items will be available. Proceeds benefit debt reduction and other programs at CTS. For payment, check or cash preferred.

An Easter Eggstravaganza Basket will be raffled. Tickets are $2 each or 6/$10. Come treat yourself and loved ones on March 25/26.

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

Bulletin Shorts for Lent – Third Sunday
Drinking in Christ. Let us not grumble like the people in the desert. For we stand in the grace of God who pours divine love into our hearts and being. Let us stay in conversation with Jesus just as the Samaritan woman did at the well through our prayer and Lenten reading.

- What grumbling, what complaining will I stop doing?
- How will I make time each day to pray and converse with God?
- How will I be a sign of healing and support to the elect thirsting for Easter Baptism?

Easter Egg Hunt - All Are Welcome
Free Event is Sponsored by our: Knights of Columbus Council #5918 At St. Scholastica Gym & Rec. Center on Saturday, March 18 at 11:30. Easter Bunny, Snacks, Prizes!

March Manna Sale is here!
Manna order forms are available in the Narthex or on the CTS website.
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.

March 28, at 1:00
Join us at the Olive Garden Restaurant, 215 So. Weber Rd, Bolingbrook. For a seat at the table call or text: Sue Marcotte at 847-921-4649 or Carol Hendrich at 630-464-5175 R.S.V.P. On or before March 26th

Over 55 Ladies Luncheon, March 28, at 1:00
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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
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!

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.

LEONARD M JARKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
The scholarship application and full eligibility requirements can be obtained from the Parish Office or by contacting Scholarship Chairman Peter Gavlin at 630.416.9760. All applications must be submitted by APRIL 17, 2023. Applications can be submitted via email to gavhome@aol.com, printed and mailed to our Post Office Box (Robert P. Connelly Council #5918, PO Box 5144, Woodridge, IL 60517), or given to any Council 5918 officer or our Scholarship Chairman. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May.

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.

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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.

“The most important thing to realize about making a private Holy Hour is that you don’t have to do anything. You don’t have to say any particular prayers, or read, or sing, or anything else. All you have to do is be present to the One who is present to you. Certainly, bodily presence is a first step—at times that is all we are capable of—but we should also try to be present with our hearts. This means a living awareness of who is present. Many times, we need to be silently present—not analyzing, thinking, or saying prayers with our lips. “Be still and know that I am God.” Ps 46.

… As we sit in silence before the Lord, we are irradiated by his Eucharistic presence. We all need “radiation therapy”—and to receive it, we only need to be present, just as in sunbathing we only need to be present to the ultra-violet radiation of the sun.”

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

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**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

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

**Tuesday, March 14**
8:30 AM Mary Drechsler, req. Marjorie Wilkey

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

**Thursday, March 16**
8:30 AM Almaia Custodio, Louisse Imo,
& Forrest Cruz, req. Zenaida Cruz

**Friday, March 17**
8:30 AM Regina Zdenovec

**Saturday, March 18**
4:45 PM Holy Souls in Purgatory that are near to Heaven,
souls that are most forsaken, req. Zenaida Cruz
Lorraine Riedl, req. Maribeth Seecheung

**Sunday, March 19**
8:30 AM Greg Basta, req. Ciolek family
Regina Zdenovec, req. family
10:00 AM James J. Frale, James G. Frale, Catherine
& John Frale, req. Frale family

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**We pray for the Sick**

| Barbara Bayro   | Fred Huth         |
| Sharon Bhaskar | Brian Jackson     |
| Jim Brabec     | Jessica James     |
| Pat Chang      | Rayna Januska     |
| Donna Ciolek   | Ed Jasczewsky     |
| Vic Cordes     | Madeline Jasczewsky|
| Michael DurkovicSr | Jeanne Jordan   |
| Rudy Durkovic  | Ida Kenny         |
| Vic Cordes     | Paul Knight       |
| Karl Eggers    | Barb Kosiek       |
| MARGE FELIX    | Karen Kripas      |
| John M. Foresman | Robert Losik    |
| Marty Foy      | Joyce Maples      |
| Joanne Fricke  | Jan May           |
| Dcn. Tom Fricke | Donna Mays        |
| Robert Gripp   | Sue McGuire       |
| Joan Haffner   | Chuck Neal        |
| Bill Hartig    | Janice Proskey    |
| Michael Harris | Bob Pluta         |
| Carolyn Heinrich | Wm. (Bill) Rausch |
| Carol Hendrich | Lolit Ranchero    |
| Barbara Hile   | Robert Rodriguez  |
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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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**Bible Readings March 12 - March 19**

| 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) |
| MONDAY: | 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30 (237) |
| TUESDAY: | Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35 (238) |
| WEDNESDAY: | Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 (239) |
| THURSDAY: | Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 (240) |
| FRIDAY: | Hos 14:2-10/Mt 12:28-34 (241) |
| SATURDAY: | Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14 (242) |
| SUNDAY: | 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38 (31) |

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**We pray for the Deceased**

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

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**We pray for those who Serve**

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andrreshak
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: 2022 - 2023
Parish Expenses $ 7,700.00
Debt Payment      2,600.00
Total Needed $ 10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS : March 1 thru 7
Sunday                 $  4,629.00
Sunday other forms           $  9,220.00
General Funds               $       33.00
Restricted                $   650.00
Debt Reduction               $   946.00
Total Contributed               $ 15,478.00

Differential this period:
Needed    $  10,300.00
Reported  $ 15,478.00
Differential this period:  $  5,178.00

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

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

Debt to Diocese 1/31/2023 $ 81,560.00
Registered Households—784

God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!

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LEAVING A LEGACY

“Stock Donations or call the Development office at 815-221-6100 for information.

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