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

Every human person is sacred and inviolable. To ensure that a society has a future, it is necessary that a sense of respect be matured for the dignity of every person, no matter in what condition they find themselves.

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.

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

Donate an 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.

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 31st — Led by Christian Service
- April 7th — Led by Religious Formation Students

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
WODRIDGE KNIGHTS OF COUNCIL #5918
HOSTING FATHER SAINT DAMIEN PLAY

Knights of Columbus Council #5918 are hosting a one-man play, Damien, starring Wayne Messmer as Father Saint Damien the leper priest of Molokai, Hawaii. The play follows the life of Father Damien, as he dedicated his priesthood to serving the ostracized lepers. The date is Friday, April 28 at 7:30 in the St. Scholastica Church. Doors open at 6:30 pm in the gym for cash bar. Tickets available: VIP tickets (reserved + meet and greet with Wayne) are $30 each; general admission tickets at $20 and youth (under 18) at $10 each. Seating is first come first served. To reserve tickets, go to our event website https://www.eventcreate.com/e/kofc5918-presents-wayne-messmer or call Joe Testolin 630-901-5952. Tickets will also be available after masses at both churches in the coming month. Thank you for supporting the Knights and our parishes (St. Scholastica and Christ the Servant). We hope to see you on April 28th.

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, May 4, 7:00 PM

**Bulletin Shorts for Lent –5th Sunday**

Dying with Christ; Dying to Self. Even when his friends are disappointed with him and his disciples misunderstood him, Jesus is clear and resolute. No one’s death is everlasting. We believe that just as Baptism graces us with new life in Christ, physical death transmits us to newer life with God forever.

- What “death” is sucking the life out of me? What will I do about it?
- What will I do, as one loved by Christ beyond all measure, for those in need of mercy works?
- How will I be a sign of Christ-filled life for the elect preparing for Easter Baptism.

**No Daily Mass Easter Monday**

There will be no daily mass on Monday, April 10th, the day following Easter.

Also, the parish offices will be closed.

**Over 55 Ladies Luncheon**

March 28, at 1:00 ,Join us at Olive Garden Restaurant, 215 So. Weber Rd, Bolingbrook. Please R.S.V.P., 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

**March Manna Gift Card Order Pick Up!**

Manna gift cards are ready for pickup this weekend, of March 25th and 26th.

**Hotline Numbers for Help**

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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!

Spring Break!

There will be no Religious Formation class March 28-April 5 because of Spring break!

Religious Formation Classes will not meet April 4-5 for classes during Holy Week, but students are asked to attend the April 7, Good Friday, Religious Formation Students Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM.

Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Paperwork and Projects ARE DUE, please turn them in at the Religious Formation office!

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.

Student Volunteers are Needed

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Please keep our First Communion class in your prayers that they might truly appreciate the gift of this most wonderful Sacrament.

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**Stations of the Cross**
"The Way of the Cross alone defeats sin, evil and death, for it leads to the radiant light of Christ's resurrection and opens the horizons of a new and fuller life. It is the way of hope, the way of the future. Those who take up this way with generosity and faith give hope and a future to humanity."

Pope Francis, address at Via Crucis in Blonia Park, Krakow, Poland, July 30, 2016

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**Stellar VBS: Shine Jesus’ Light!**
CTS’s Religious Formation Invites Children to Stellar VBS: Shine Jesus’ Light! A summer kids’ event called Stellar VBS will be hosted at Christ the Servant from **June 19 to June 23**. At Stellar, kids discover how they can shine Jesus’ love and hope in everyday life!

**Religious Formation Spring Art Show**
Parents don’t forget to keep saving your Child’s artwork and RF class work for the Spring Art Show Coming the weekend of April 23-24.

**Thank You!**
Thank you to all those who attended and participated in the Religious Formation St. Patrick’s Irish Flavored Mass.

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**Join Us For a Holy Hour During Lent**
Come sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays, Thursdays and 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.

**In the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration we meet the merciful love of God that passes through the Heart of Jesus Christ. (Pope John Paul II)**

**STUDENTS PLANNING ON ATTENDING A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL or Accredited University, College, or Trade School are Eligible to apply for the LEONARD M JARKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship application and full eligibility requirements can be obtained from the Parish Office or by contacting our 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.

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**2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Diocese of Joliet**
2023 GOAL $43,500
AMOUNT PLEDGED: $6,915—Pending 2023 update.
PLEDGES NEEDED TO GOAL: $37,710
AMOUNT PAID: $5,790
REMAINING BALANCE:
DONORS THIS YEAR:
REBATE AMOUNT: $0
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 25
4:45 PM Pauline Dennis and Lorraine Riedl, req. Pat and Debi Savage
   Maggi Rocco, req. Melinda Nowak

Sunday, March 26
8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, March 27
8:30 AM Eileen Nemec, req. Jackie Nemec

Tuesday, March 28
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 29
8:30 AM Marie Raveron, req. Jocelyn David

Thursday, March 30
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, March 31
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, April 1
4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, Gerald Johnson, req. Family
   JoAnn Frale, req. Family
   Rita Nolan, req. Sheri & Corby Schmitz
   Lorraine Riedl, req. Donna & Tom Weigel

Sunday, April 2
8:30 AM Tom Haas, req. Elena Haas
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Bible Readings March 26 - April 2

SUNDAY: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 (34)


TUESDAY: Mn 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30 (252)

WEDNESDAY: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42 (253)

THURSDAY: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59 (254)

FRIDAY: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42 (255)

SATURDAY: Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56 (256)

SUNDAY: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/
   Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54 (38)

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

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 Jennifer and Eric who lost their Mother, Karen Kripas

Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

We pray for those who Serve
Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreeshak
Nolan Bowers, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers
Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Chase Halik, son of Tim & Peggy Halik
Avery Jackson, grandson of Joan Kurtz
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:
Sunday 15—21
Sunday                 $ 4,426.00
Sunday other forms           $ 2,530.00
General Funds               $ 200.00
Restricted                $ 0.00
Debt Reduction               $ 250.00
Total Contributed               $ 7,406.00

Differential this period:
Needed    $ 10,300.00
Reported  $ 7,406.00
Differential this period:  $ 2,894.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:
Cash for Food  $ 2,025.00
Good Friday  $ 0.00
Easter       $ 0.00
Catholic Relief $ 350.00
Mission Speaker  $ 130.00
Debt to Diocese 1/31/2023  $ 81,560.00
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 “Stock Donations or call the Development office at 815-221-6100 for information. A free, online will-writing tool is available through the Diocese of Joliet. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet. You can avoid paying taxes on your IRA disbursements by having the check mailed directly to the church.