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

Chosen and loved by God, we are called to live “as is fitting among the saints” (Eph 5:3), to clothe ourselves with sentiments of goodness, humility, magnanimity, bearing the fruits of the Spirit.

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 6—mass 7:00 pm
Good Friday, April 7—Special Service at 3:00 pm and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm led by Religious Formation students
Holy Saturday, April 8—Basket blessing 9:30 & Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
Easter Sunday, April 9, masses 8:30 & 10:00 am

Donate a Canned Or Fresh Ham
Sunday between 8 am—10 am

Support local and families in need of an 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 before the 10:00 am mass.
Please drop-off your ham donation in the church parking lot on: Sunday, April 2nd between 8:00 am to 10:15 am.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked parishes to support the Pontifical Good Friday collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in the Holy Land. Thanks for being generous!

Stations of the Cross

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. Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm., here in the church, we will engage in the Stations of the Cross.

April 7th — Led by Religious Formation Students

Thank You “Cash for Food” Donors!

Our latest “Donate Cash for Food” drive raised a record, $2,025 in cash donations! Food drop-off donations were in excess of 350 pounds, another record.
The cash donations purchased much-needed items requested by the food pantries; cases of chicken & dumplings, beef stew, spam, fruit cups, ravioli, mac & cheese and chili. Canned food was distributed to the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove Area FISH food pantry and Blue Jeans for the Homeless.

Thank you again for your overwhelming generosity!

Thank you for being a support of Christ the Servant Catholic Church.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.
Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.
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

Bulletins Shorts for Lords’s Passion


Being Humble. Jesus Christ shows us how to be humble today. So humble, that he “emptied himself”. This brought on entry into Jerusalem, passion, death, burial and risen life.

* How will I, an empty and humble self, do some mercy work this Holy Week?
* How will I be a sign of humility to the elect preparing for Baptism at week’s end?
* Let me save the times and come to be Church for the celebrations of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter.

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.

Knights of Columbus
Easter Gifts

The Knights will be selling special items for Easter in the Narthex.

Hotline Numbers for Help

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 Blessing of Easter Food

The blessing of your Easter basket will be done this Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023, at 9:30 am in the church.
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

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.

Religious Formation Classes resume Tuesday, April 11 and Wednesday April 12.

Student Volunteers are needed

Student Volunteers are needed for RF Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 7:00, April 7.
If your child is interested in being part of the Good Friday Stations of the Cross, please call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email cgoba@rcdoj.org

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates
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 All Confirmation Students Confirmation Interviews
April 25-26 Class—Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Spring Art Show
April 26 (Wednesday) All Confirmation students, Parents are invited Confirmation Presentation: “Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity”

First Communion Dates
April 29th at 10:00 am
First Communion practice
May 6th at 11:00 am
our First Communion class will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

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

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

Confirmation Reminders and News

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!
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

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.

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!!!
Mass Intentions for the Week

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

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

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—Palm Sunday
8:30 AM Frances Haas, req. Elena Haas
   Rino Lapaglia, req. Domenica Lapaglia
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, April 3
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 4
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 5
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, April 6—Holy Thursday
7:00 PM Gerald Wilmsem, req. Wisdom Family

Friday, April 7—Good Friday
3:00 PM Holy souls in Purgatory that are near heaven,
souls that are most forsaken, req. Zenaida Cruz

Saturday, April 8—Easter Vigil
8:00 PM Lorraine Riedl, req. Helene Peslak
   and Julie & Scott Lucas
   Joan Gebhardt, req. Tina Fassero
   Maggi Rocco, req. Melinda Nowak

Sunday, April 9—Easter Sunday
8:30 AM Greg Basta, req. Ciolek Family
10:00 AM Deceased members of the Frale Family,
req. John J. Frale

Bible Readings April 2 - April 9

SUNDAY: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or
         27:11-54 (38)
WEDNESDAY: Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25 (259)
SATURDAY: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a,
          32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Mt 28:1-10 (41)
or Mt 28:1-10 (41) or Lk 24:13-35 (46)

We pray for the Sick

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

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 Jim and Melinda who lost their friend, Alan Adamski

Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

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 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 22 thru 28
Sunday                 $ 4,588.00
Sunday other forms           $ 2,825.00
General Funds               $ 465.00
Restricted                $ 150.00
Debt Reduction               $ 145.00
Total Contributed               $ 8,173.00

Differential this period:
Needed    $ 10,300.00
Reported  $ 8,173.00
Differential this period:  $ 2,127.00

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  $ 95.00

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.