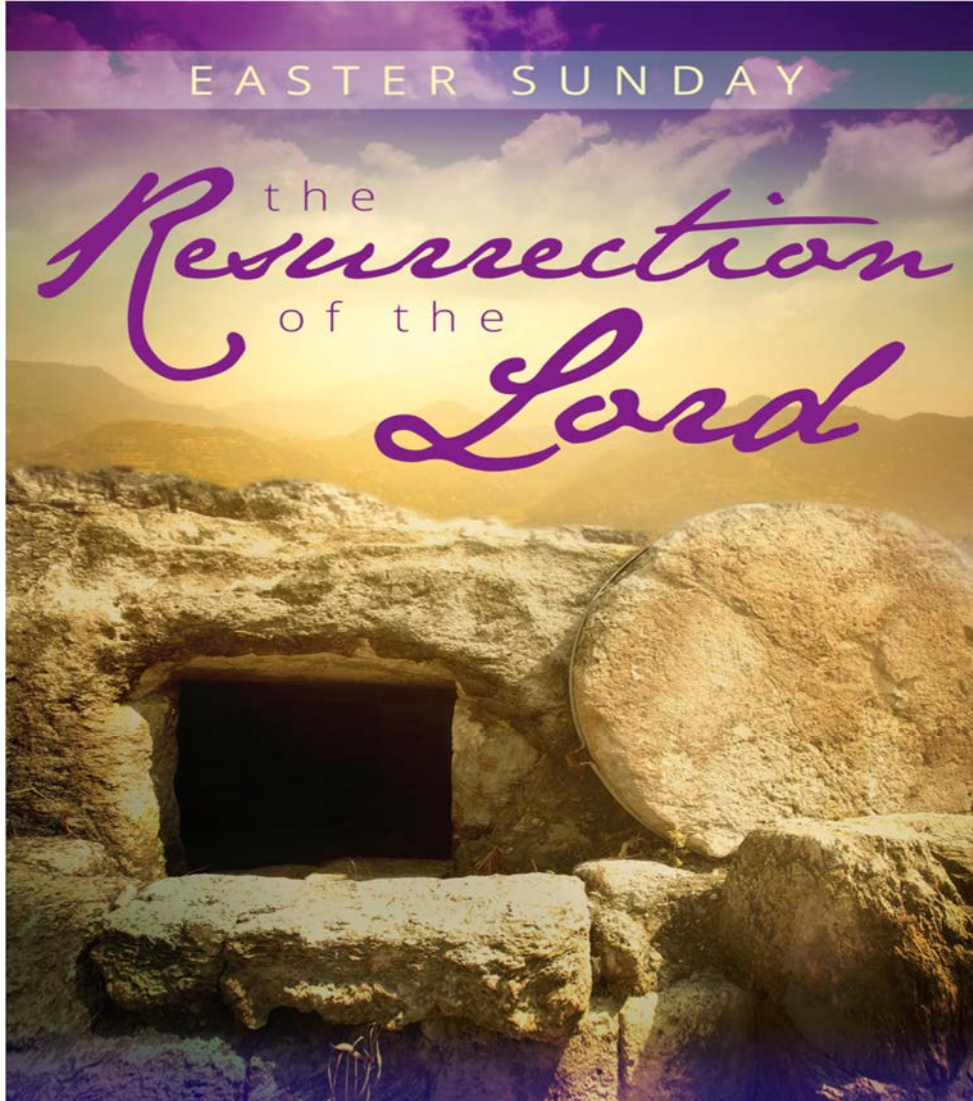


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.
8700 Havens Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517 630-910-0770



Sunday, March 31, 2024



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:45 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, and
10:00 am

Daily

Monday—Thursday
8:30 am, and
Communion Service on
Friday 8:30 am

The **Rosary** is prayed
the first Friday of each
month at 9:00 am in the
Eucharistic Chapel.

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you to Christ the Servant! Registration forms are available in the narthex by the Sacristy. Please feel free to ask a host member where to find forms, Religious Formation information & the bulletin.

RECONCILIATION: Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or by appointment with Fr. Bob.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism is celebrated twice a month, first and third Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:00 am. Patents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class, offered the first Thursday of each month. You must register for the preparation class by calling the parish office at: 630-910-0770.

SACRAMENT OF 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.

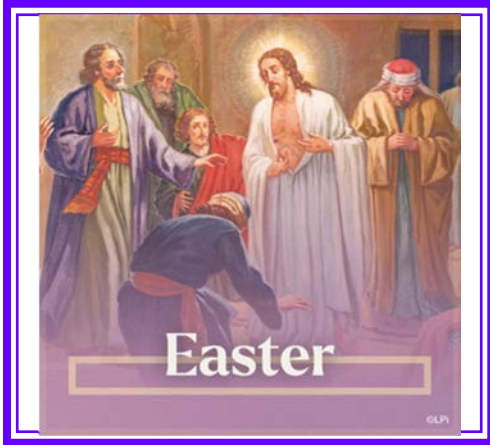
FUNERAL: Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

Francis' Tweet for the Week

Christ is alive and He loves you with an infinite love. He gave His life for you, so in His love for you He does not wait for you to be perfect. Look at His arms outstretched on the cross, and let yourself be saved over and over again.

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1tH8w1L8w1L8w1L8w1L8w1).



Liturgy Spotlight

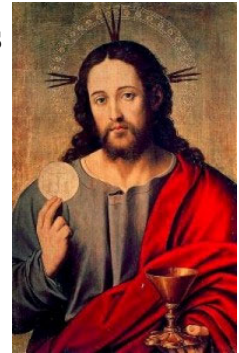
Our first hearing of a resurrection account in the gospel at the Easter Vigil invites us to join with Mary Magdalene in seeing and recognizing Jesus.
**He is alive!
He is risen!
Alleluia!**



Eucharistic Revial

All the good that is in me is due to Holy Communion.

- Saint Faustina



Pray the Rosary Saturday at 4:00 pm



The First Five Saturdays devotion stimulates the spirit of reparation; it instills a tender love for the holy sacraments of confession and the blessed Eucharist. It nurtures a holy affection for the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Rosary. Above all, it is an excellent means to maintain one in the state of grace while immersed in the daily spiritual battles and prosaic existence in the world that we live in. The first Saturday of the month the rosary will be prayed at **4:00 pm** in the Chapel **April 6 and May 4.**

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

Eagle Scout Project - April

Jack Stevens, Greg and Cheryl Feltz's grandson will be collecting new pajamas, socks, shoes & toys during the month of April for his Eagle Scout project.

Jack is a Scout with Troup 57. He is working to achieve the rank of Eagle, Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the Scouts. Jack's Eagle project, creating birthday bags for Illinois children in foster care. The foster children are ages infant to age 18.



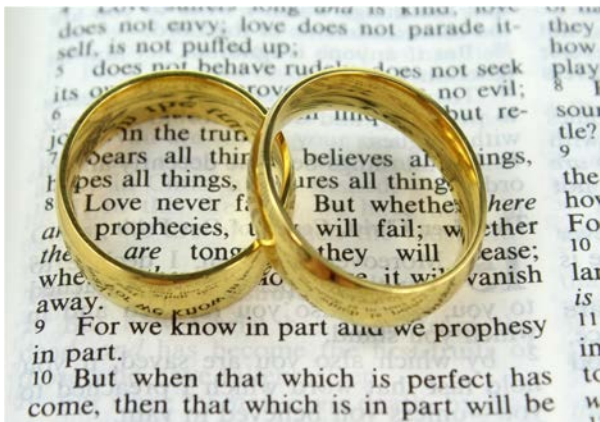
Each bag will contain a pair of pajamas, socks, a toy or shoes and a blanket. Jack is hand making blankets for each birthday gift bag. Please donate PJ's, socks, shoes & toys. A bin will be placed in the narthex in April. Thank you for helping Jack & Illinois foster children.

**First Friday Rosary
Pray and Fast
April 5**



As we pray and fast in preparation of Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Easter & Divine Mercy Sunday. "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself & take up his cross daily & follow Me. Luke 9:2. Together we pray, April 5 in the Eucharist Chapel after the 8:30 service. "That I may gain Christ & be found in Him...to know Him & the power of His resurrection." Phil 3:8-10

*Congratulations to
Zoe McGrath & Zachary Seda
who recently married at
Christ the Servant.*



Parish Life Commission

Have we got an opportunity for you!
The Parish Life Commission is in need of commission members. Due to job commitments and illness we are down to very few people (3).

Do you like to plan parties, fundraisers, candy sales, adult and youth activities? We need not only new faces but new voices and ideas as well. Can you commit to a 1 hour meeting a month, usually the 2nd Monday of the month from 7 to 8 pm? Most of the other work is done from home putting together posters, making phone calls, errands. Sometimes we need members to act as hosts for an event or set up events. Could you find it in your heart to help?

Please call Chair Donna Ciolek @ 630-209-1488 to volunteer or get more info. If I don't get back to you immediately, bear with me. I WILL CALL BACK. Thanks for your consideration for this important commission.

- Hugs, Donna Ciolek, PLC Chair

Letter for FISH Food Pantry

Dear Friends at Christ the Servant Church,
We have weekly challenges. Can we meet the needs of the growing number of people who come to the pantry for help? Can we offer them several meals worth of wholesome food? Can we help them out by offering other necessities like toilet paper, detergent, or shampoo? Can we offer emergency assistance for rent or utilities? Today we say we can because of your support and the support of all our very wonderful donors. We could not do it without you.

Thank you so much for you very generous donation of 162 pounds of food in February. We are very grateful.

All the Best,

Lynn Hayes

Lynn Hayes
Corresponding Secretary
FISH Food Pantry & Community Services
4340 Prince Street Avenue
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Religious Formation News

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION



We are excited to assist and accompany your family on their journey of faith here in our parish. The Religious Formation Office is concerned with equipping your child with the skills to develop a personal and grace filled relationship with Jesus. The instruction that we provide for your child is intended to extend your resources in order to help you foster spiritual growth within your family life. The Religious Formation program partners with families in the passing on of the Catholic faith with a formalized, systematic program based on your child's developmental level for Kindergarten through 8th grade. We are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

For more information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org



Religious Formation Class are back in Session

RF classes resume April 1,2,and 3



Thank you to all who volunteered or joined us for the RF

Stations of the Cross on Good Friday!



Religious Formation Spring Art Show 2024

The Religious Formation Art Show will be the weekends of April 27-May 5. RF student are asked to submit artwork that they would like to display in the Spring Art show. Parents don't forget to keep saving your Child's artwork so the piece can be displayed.

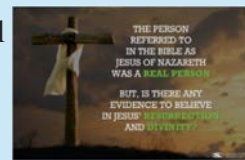


Congratulations to Religious Formation students Christopher Ramirez and Jazleen Vargas on their reception of the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil this year!

Confirmation Presentation:

"Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, April 10 at the 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity." Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.



This exciting, first-of-its-kind youth event will be held at Lewis University on June 1, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. An unforgettable one-day conference dedicated to

transforming the lives of 8th - 12th graders into passionate and joyful disciples, participants will:

- Engage with national keynote speakers
 - Experience uplifting praise and worship
 - Deepen their faith through Eucharistic adoration
 - Find renewal in Reconciliation
- Cost: \$75/person

Christ the Servant is planning on taking our 7th grade (currently in 7th) thru high school to Illuminate Joliet Youth Day

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

April 1,2,3 Regular Classes

April 3 Confirmation project and service due
Saint project and service work must be completed and turned in for students who plan on be Confirmed 5/13/24

April 8/9/10 Regular Classes

April 10 (Wednesday) All Confirmation students and Parents Confirmation Presentation "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity" presented by the Schmitz family

April 15/16/17 Regular Classes

April 17 All Confirmation Students Confirmation Interviews

April 22/23/24 Regular Classes

April 24 Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Spring Art Show

April 27-May 5 Weekend Spring RF Student's Art Show

April 27 (Saturday) 1st Communion Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.

April 29/30/May 1 Last Classes

May 4 (Saturday) 1st Communion Mass 11:00 a.m.

May 8, 7:00pm (Wednesday) Confirmation Rehearsal

May 11 (Saturday) Confirmation Retreat

May 14, 7:00pm (Tuesday) Confirmation

May 19 (Sunday) MASS May Crowning at all Masses

June 10-14 VBS Vacation Bible School Scuba



Students Planning on or Attending:

- Catholic High School
- Accredited College or University
- 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, Carl Jakubowski at 630-696-0151. All applications must be submitted by **APRIL 22, 2024**. Applications can be submitted via e-mail to TrainNut56@outlook.com, given to any Council 5918 member, or to the Scholarship Chairman. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May.



Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith Formation are genuinely happy to be able to work with your family to prepare and receive the Sacraments. The Sacraments are God's great gift to mankind and so there is great joy in being able to share this wonderful gift and work of God with your family. The seven Sacraments touch all the stages and all the important moments of Christian life: "they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian's life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life." (St Thomas Aquinas)

Sacrament Reminder

Don't forget, if your child is planning on making a Sacrament **the Diocese of Joliet requires children complete a minimum of two consecutive years of Religious Formation before receiving Sacraments.** Typically, in 2nd grade, our children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the late fall and the Sacrament of Eucharist in the spring. (Children must have participated in RF in first and second grade or two other consecutive years of preparation). Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will be conferred at the end of 8th grade according to the Bishop's schedule begins in 6th and 7th grade. (Full participation in RF in 7th and 8th grade is the minimum enrollment required.)



Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Conlon, **May 14th at 7:00 pm** here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is

Wednesday, **May 8th at 7:00**, a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

Confirmation Paperwork

Students who are preparing to receive Confirmation this year are should turning in their required paperwork.

Confirmation Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 11th at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Prayers for the Sick

Saturday, March 30

8:00 PM Ken Sloup, req. Helene Peslak
Deceased members of the Dennis family,
req. Pat & Debi Savage

Sunday, March 31

8:30 AM Ken Sloup, req. Worship Commission
Rino Lapaglia, req. Lapaglia family
10:00 AM Barbara Kuehn, req. Ed & Rosada Heintz

Monday, April 1

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 2

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 3

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, April 4

8:30 AM Holy Souls that are near to Heaven & Poor Souls
in Purgatory, req. Zenaida Cruz

Friday, April 5

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, April 6

4:45 PM JoAnn Frale, req. family
Ken Sloup, req. Tom & Christine Bojanowski
Ida Kenny, req. Pat & Debi Savage
Deacon Tom Fricke, req. Joanne Fricke

Sunday, April 7

8:30 AM The John Frale family, reg. family
10:00 AM All single persons in the Diocese, parishioners of St.
Mary Mission in Reddick, St. Mary Parish in Plano & St.
Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield, req. Diocese



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| Barbara Bayro | Ed Jascewsky | John Rossi |
| Frank Bayro | Madeline Jascewsky | Sonja Rudny |
| Sharon Bhaskar | Ramon Joson | Karen Salvio |
| Jim Brabec | Jeanne Jordan | Jim Sanders |
| Renee Brennan | Paul Knight | Rita Sisko |
| Pat Chang | Barb Kosiek | Marlene Snedeker |
| Vic Cordes | Mike Leach | Jennifer Stile |
| Michael Durkovic Sr | Robert Losik | Dan Szymanski |
| Rudy Durkovic | Cathy Magee | Dennis Szulc |
| Ray DiGrazia | Joyce Maples | Michelle Toro |
| Marge Felix | Jan May | Mary Vanderplow |
| John M. Foresman | Donna Mays | Jim Verdi |
| Marty Foy | Arturo Mendez | Bill Wagner |
| Mary Chap-Grigar | Robert Mizek | Judy Ward |
| Bill Hartig | Anna Moneghini | Nancy Warnecke |
| Michael Harris | Chuck Neal | Patricia Wheeler |
| Carolyn Heinrich | Nam Pham | |
| Carol Hendrich | Carmen Pagnatiello | |
| Fred Huth | Janice Proskey | |
| Tony Iovito | Bob Pluta | |
| John Ito | Wm. (Bill) Rausch | |
| Brian Jackson | Lolit Rancho | |
| Cathy Jackson | Genevieve Ragnanese | |
| Jessica James | Barb Rogers | |
| Rayna Januska | | |



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 bryn@ctswoodridge.org. To request a mass, or the Tabernacle Light, call the parish office at 630-910-0770.

With Heartfelt Sympathy

Please Pray For Our Beloved Deceased and Their Families

Readings for the week of March 31, 2024

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

The tabernacle light burns this week in loving memory of the deceased members.



We pray for those who Serve Our Country

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.



Office Hours & Staff

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday.....8:30 AM—4:30 PM
Friday.....8:30 AM—1:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday through Thursday.....8:30 AM
Friday Communion Service.....8:30 AM
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.
Saturday.....4:45 PM
Sunday.....8:30 and 10:00 AM
Holy Days....consult bulletin or call

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment

Pastoral Staff

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FrBob@ctswoodridge.org

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Mary Goba, Admin Assistant Ext. 102

Commission Chairpersons

Bill Yunker, Pastoral Council Chair
Ed Koch, Administration/Finance
Bill Yunker, Christian Service
Donna Ciolek, Parish Life Chair
Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation
Chris Bojanowski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 31—Easter Sunday

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Monday, April 1

8:30 am—daily mass
7:00 pm—Parish Life meeting

Tuesday, April 2

8:30 am—daily mass
12:30 pm—mahjong

Wed, April 3

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., April 4

8:30 am—daily mass
9:30 am—yoga

Friday, April 5

8:30 am—communion service

Saturday, April 6

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, April 7

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
11:00 am—baptism

Upcoming Events Calendar

April 1: Parish Life meeting 7:00 pm

April 7: Divine Mercy Sunday

April 7: Wedding blessing—Fr. Cerna

April 8: PLC meeting 7 pm

April 13/14: Bread for the World, letter signing in narthex following masses

April 14: Baptism 11:00 am

April 15: P&SJ meeting 7:00 pm

April 15: Finance meeting 7:00 pm

April 20: Bob Schiller funeral, narthex visitation 10 am, funeral mass 11:00 am.

April 20/21: Exodus World, Jason Mohn speaking during mass about refugees.

April 27/28: RF Art Show in the narthex and hallway

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023- 2024

Parish Expenses \$ 7,700.00
Total Needed \$ 7,700.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: March 20 thru 25

Sunday \$ 4,628.00
Sunday other forms \$ 7,420.00
General Funds \$ 80.00
Restricted \$ 20.00
Capital Projects \$ 25.00
Total Contributed \$ 12,173.00

Differential this period:

Needed \$ 7,700.00
Reported \$ 12,173.00
Differential this period: \$ 4,473.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Easter Sunday \$ 150.00

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. Consult with your financial advisor for information.

2023
GOAL
\$43,500



AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$46,964 as of January 21, 2024.

AMOUNT PAID: \$44,484
REMAINING BALANCE: \$2,480
DONORS THIS YEAR: 230
2023 REBATE AMOUNT: \$689

Thank you so much for your generosity! God bless you!

He is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!

"The New Testament does not only tell us of the earthly Jesus & his tangible and loving relationship with the world. It also shows him risen and glorious, present throughout creation by his universal Lordship: 'For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross' (Col 1:19-20). This leads us to direct our gaze to the end of time, when the Son will deliver all things to the Father, so that 'God may be everything to every one' (1 Cor 15:28). Thus, the creatures of this world no longer appear to us under merely natural guise because the risen One is mysteriously holding them to himself & directing them towards fullness as their end. The very flowers of the field and the birds which his human eyes contemplated and admired are now imbued with his radiant presence."

Laudato Si', #100

Creation Care Corner