

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

19th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

August 11, 2013

Our Mission

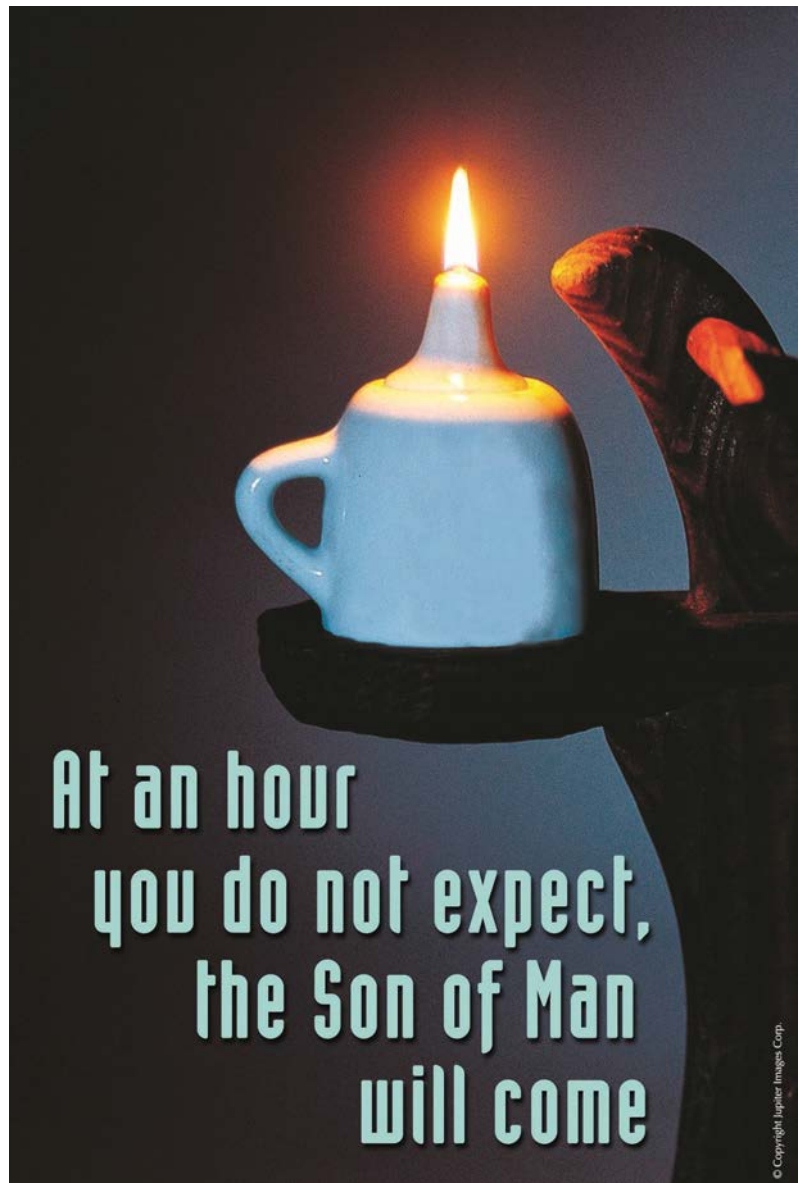
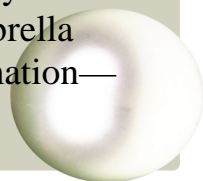
*Christ the Servant Parish is
a welcoming Catholic faith community
gathered together to gratefully share
and live the Eucharist,
the inspiration of the Gospel,
the presence of the Holy Spirit,
and to follow Christ's example in service of others.*

Special points of interest:

- "Research on Parishes" from the Pastor, page 2.
- Manna Sale in progress, Cash 4 Food Drive coming soon, Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal update, see page 3.
- Catechists Needed, page 4.
- Blood Drive August 17, page 5.

What does the Religious Formation Commission do?

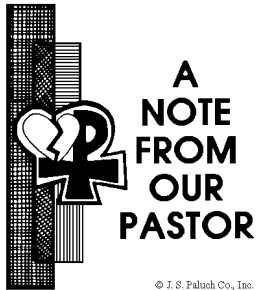
Mark your calendar for August 24/25. Worship Commission will be sponsoring a hospitality weekend, while the Religious Formation will showcase the many activities under the umbrella of Religious Formation—for all ages!



At an hour
you do not expect,
the Son of Man
will come

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Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home



Part 4 Bulletin article on Parishes.

Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) is a group out of Georgetown University in Washington DC. Cara serves the Catholic Church much like some of the other polling companies do like Gallup or Pew forum. There is an interesting graph that we can see the number of vocations during the past years. When a lot of us were young we can remember parishes that always had a pastor and an associate. Some of the larger parishes had three or four associates. Not the way it is today, now associates are few and far between. So here is the graph from CARA concerning religious vocations.

	1965	1975	1985	1995	2000	2005	2012
Total priests	58,632	58,909	57,317	49,054	45,699	42,839	38,964
Diocesan priests	35,925	36,005	35,052	32,349	30,607	28,702	26,661
Religious priests	22,707	22,904	22,265	16,705	15,092	14,137	12,303
Priestly ordinations	994	771	533	511	442	454	480
Graduate-level seminarians	8,325	5,279	4,063	3,172	3,474	3,308	3,723
Permanent deacons	na	898	7,204	10,932	12,378	14,574	17,289
Religious brothers	12,271	8,625	7,544	6,535	5,662	5,451	4,477
Religious sisters	179,954	135,225	115,386	90,809	79,814	68,634	54,018
Parishes	17,637	18,515	19,244	19,331	19,236	18,891	17,644
Without a resident priest pastor	549	702	1,051	2,161	2,843	3,251	3,389
Where a bishop has entrusted the pastoral care of the parish to a deacon, religious sister or brother, or other lay person (Canon 517.2)	na	na	93	314	447	553	459
Catholic population (<i>The Official Catholic Directory</i>)	45.6m	48.7m	52.3m	57.4m	59.9m	64.8m	66.3m
Catholic population (self-identified, survey-based)	48.5m	54.5m	59.5m	65.7m	71.7m	74.0m	78.2m
Catholic elementary schools	--	8,414	7,764	6,964	6,793	6,122	5,636*
Students in Catholic elementary schools	--	2.557m	2.005m	1.815m	1.800m	1.559m	1.441m*
Catholic secondary schools	--	1,624	1,425	1,280	1,297	1,325	1,205*
Students in Catholic secondary schools	--	884,181	774,216	638,440	653,723	653,226	590,883*
Mass Attendance CARA Catholic Poll (CCP): Percentage of U.S. adult Catholics who say they attended Mass once a week or more (i.e., those attending every week).	--	--	--	--	22%	23%	24%
For more background information on measurement, see: <i>The Nuances of Accurately Measuring Mass Attendance</i> .							
*Most recent estimates of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA). School data for previous years is from the ASE.							

Rev. Frank K. Vitus

**"Cash For Food"
School Supplies & Backpack Drive
August 24 & 25**

CTS's next "Cash For Food" Drive will feature donations of **School Supplies & Backpacks** along with **CASH DONATIONS** to help the West Suburban Community Food Pantry.

School Supplies most needed are **Colored Pencils, 8-10 Count Thick/Thin Markers, Blunt Scissors, Wide Rule Notebook Paper, and Highlighters.** **School Backpacks** filled with **School Supplies** are, of course, most welcome.

Volunteers will be in the Parking Lot before each Mass to receive **School Supplies, Paper** and **Food** donations.

A **CASH for FOOD Donation Box** will be in the Narthex for your convenience. Please make checks payable to: **West Suburban Community Food Pantry.** Please **"GET INVOLVED"** and donate **Dollars, School Supplies, Paper Goods, Food, and your time to "Help Others"**. Please contact **Jerry F** for details.

THANK YOU! The needs of those less fortunate than ourselves are just like our needs.



Manna Sale

Pick up your order forms in the narthex (also be available on our website for printing, sized for 8

1/2 x 14 paper), to place a back-to-school or a "stock-up" Manna order. Orders are due, with payment, by 11:00 am, Sunday, August 18.

Jim & Val N have been the coordinators of our Manna gift card fund-raising program for the last three years, and it is time to pass the baton. Do you enjoy using the Manna gift cards? Do you have some time to spend? Typically, it takes about two hours of time to set up and process the order forms and orders, and then about two hours to sort the cards for distribution. Then someone needs to be present at the three masses the weekend of pickup. Corinne in the parish office helps by printing the order form and setting up the display for people to pick up the forms, and submitting it to the webmaster for posting on the website.

Manna sales are scheduled to fit both your schedule and that of the parish. Usually, we have one in August for back-to-school, one before Thanksgiving, one or two before Christmas, and then one before Easter. If interested, please call Jim & Val. They will be glad to teach you the process!



*Through the Waters of Baptism,
the faith community of
Christ the Servant Parish
welcomes*

Camille,
daughter of
Ulysses & Ernelinda S
July 21, 2013

Mason Scott,
son of
Jason & Kimberly W
August 4, 2013

**"The LORD
Sustains His People."**

Last week I completed payment on my pledge for the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal. For this year our goal was \$30,313.00. Right now we have gone over our goal in amounts pledged, \$34,163.00. However, we have only collected \$25,766.00. Last year we had 264 parishioners pledge for the appeal while this year we only had 233 parishioners involved. Please remember if we are able to collect what we have pledged, we will get back \$3,850. Please make this happen by fulfilling your pledge to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal at this time.

It's not too late to make a pledge. Envelopes are available outside the Parish Office (down the hallway, to the right)

Rev. Frank

**2013 Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal Update as of 8/2**

Our Goal: 30,313
Amount pledged: \$34,163 112.70%
Amount paid to date: \$25,766 75.54%

Once our amount paid equals our goal, 50% of amounts paid will come back to help our parish. Please keep up on your payments, or donate now if you have not yet done so.

Go to www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on **Donate now Click and Pledge.**

Religious Formation



Grades K-8: HAPPY SUMMER!

RF Family Opening Prayer Service is
Friday September 13th at 7:00pm.
Classes begin September 17th & 18th.

If you have not registered for
2013/14 Religious Formation,
forms are available in the Narthex and on
the parish web-site; www.ctswoodridge.org
Classes are being assigned
as registrations are received.
Some classes are filling up.

We are still in need of a few people who are willing to share (and grow) their faith with the children of the parish. We especially need help for 6th & 7th Grades and on Tuesday afternoons. Please consider whether you can help out as a catechist, an aide or a substitute. Please contact Liz Jesse, liz@ctswoodridge.org or 630 910-0770 x12 if you are interested.



Our first Catechist Meeting will be held on
Sunday September 8th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.

Protecting God's Children for Adults

This program was developed to help caring and responsible adults in keeping children safe. PGCA is mandatory for all adults who work with children in the parish. All parents are encouraged to attend this program.

Many parishes in the Diocese of Joliet are offering this program in the next few weeks. To view a list of available opportunities, visit www.virtus.org. Select Registration > View list of sessions > Joliet IL (Diocese)

The training session is being offered at Christ the Servant on Wednesday September 4, 2013 at 7:00pm.

There will be many other sessions offered at neighboring parishes. Visit www.virtus.org for session listings (select Joliet, IL (Diocese)) and to register. For more information contact Liz Jesse @ 910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org.

Live your Faith this Summer...



Thank God for
farm fresh
fruits & vegetables
(even spinach.)



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- If you simply want to know more about the Catholic Church...
- If you are interested in our Catholic Faith and Traditions....
- If you have questions about the Catholic Church....
- If you seeking a sacrament....
Baptism...Eucharist...Confirmation
- If you feel that the Lord is calling you into deeper relationship....

Maybe the RCIA is the next step on your journey.

Contact Liz Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, for information about the RCIA Process or if you are interested in serving on the RCIA Team and sharing your faith. 630-910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org



The Religious Formation Commission invites you to....

... **GO** and Make Disciples

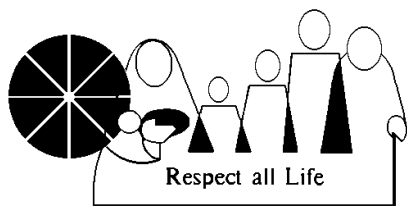
- Are you interested in the faith formation here at CTS?
- Do you have ideas for speakers, topics, methods of delivery?
- As part of a growing parish, work collaboratively to meet the needs of many groups...is your group represented?



If you are interested in planning for the parish and learning about your faith; the RF Commission is looking for you.

The Commission meets the 2nd Monday evening of the month at 7pm. Contact Liz Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, at 910-0770 ext 12 or e-mail liz@ctswoodridge.org.

Respect for All Life



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Moderation and Balance in Life

Temperance is the virtue of keeping our desires and wishes within honorable limits. It is moderation in all things, so that we rule our passions and are not ruled by them. It is learning to appreciate the role of all God’s creation in our lives, without abusing the gifts he has given us. Temperance is the virtue of a balanced life. Sometimes our priorities can get out of whack. That’s when temperance comes in. Temperance is knowing how to live passionately without living by our passions. Our temperance fails when we start substituting: when money, sex and power, etc. take over as the controlling elements in our lives. Temperance fails when we define ourselves by things we are not—like a job. It teaches us that we are not what we do but who we are. The Church teaches very strongly regarding the inherent dignity of work—a gift and a grace. But our work is not our life. The Church teaches that the keys to life must always be moderation and balance. Temperance is serenity that comes with wisdom. It is the hope for reasonable and faith-filled happiness. Saving our passion for the things that really matter—faith in, hope for, and love of God, and caring for others—now that’s temperance.

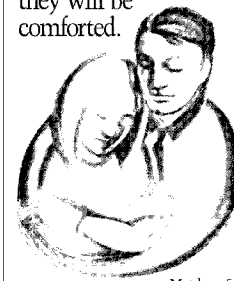
~ taken from “A Guy’s Guide to the Good Life: Virtues for Men”, available in the narthex

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Bereavement Ministry Committee Forming

In a faith community, no one should grieve alone. The Bereavement Ministry is always looking for compassionate people to help with the bereaved. At Christ the Servant, Jeanne Hotchkin was there to help when you lost a loved one. Jeanne has now died, and we are searching for someone who can help plan funeral liturgies and help people begin to adjust to the loss of a loved one. You can be that special person for someone else.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.



Bereavement Ministry Training – Are you being called to help others who have lost a loved one? Has someone been there for you when you went through the grieving and mourning process? Please consider joining the Bereavement Ministry to help those who are suffering. Training will begin this fall. For more information, please call Deacon Rod Accardi at 630-933-6634.

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Christ The Servant Catholic Church
Blood Drive
 Saturday, August 17th
 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
 Located in the Narthex

To make your appointment to donate,
 please sign up online at www.heartlandbc.org
 or call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770.

PLEASE DONATE BLOOD TO HELP HEARTLAND SAVE LIVES
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Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Cathy Scanlon

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 10

4:45 PM Bill Jackson, *r. Cecilia Cooper*
Donna Buonamici, *r. Donna Mays*

Sunday, August 11

8:30 AM People of the Parish
Timothy McIlvain, Jr
Richard Buch, *r. Richard & Leona Gordon*
10:00 AM Richard & Gloria DuSatko, *Sp. Int.*

Monday, August 12

8:30 AM Eleanor Weber, *r. Marilyn Fracasso*

Tuesday, August 13

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 14

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, August 15-Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 AM Barbara Lesniewski, *r. Sister Suzanne Lesniewski*
7:00 PM People of the Parish

Friday, August 16

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, August 17

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*
Helen Peslak, *r. Peslak family*
Jeanine Rendak, *r. Rendak/Gierut families*
William Wagner, *r. Steve Wagner*

Sunday, August 18

8:30 AM Dominick Cimgalia, *r. family*
Manny Rotea, *r. Marge Buch*
10:00 AM People of the Parish

To request a mass, stop by or call the parish office at 630-910-0770.

Sacramental Information

rites of Christian Initiation Adults seeking sacraments are invited to contact the parish office.

BAPTISM OF INFANTS Call the Parish Office to register.

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 being a priest? Email Fr. Burke Masters at fbrurke23@aol.com.

RECONCILIATION Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm or by appointment with Fr. Frank.

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 F.

FUNERALS Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact Fr. Frank for pre-planning of funerals.

Baptism Preparation Class:
Thursday, September 12, 7:00-8:00PM

We pray for the Sick

Louise Boden	Gene Mroz	Mike Stapleton
Stephen Boden	Eben Palmquist	Chris Templin
Dennis Boyle	Donald Paul	Kim Transon
Jeff Coole	Tom Raslowsky	Ted Wachowicz
Holly Derrico	Pauline Ryan	Maribeth Wall
Mike Gorman	Ron Rydzewski	Haley Wyman
Audrey Hickman	Linda Simpson	

Names remain on this list approximately three months.
To update the list, call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770 or email corinne@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.

We pray for the Deceased



Robert McNulty
(father of Diane Brennwald)

We pray for those who Serve

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz

Luke Fricke, nephew of Deacon Tom & Joanne Fricke

Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove

Sam Persin, nephew of Joe & Mary Testolin

Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz

Jim Sheehan, godson of Liz Jesse

If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask for God's blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return safely home, so that we may also rejoice with you.

Bible Readings—August 11-18

SUNDAY: Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2,8-19 or 11:1-2,8-12 / Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

MONDAY: Dt 10:12-22 / Mt 17:22-27

TUESDAY: Dt 31:1-8 / Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14

WEDNESDAY: Dt 34:1-12 / Mt 18:15-20

THURSDAY: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab / 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56

FRIDAY: Jos 24:1-13 / Mt 19:3-12

SATURDAY: Jos 24:14-29 / Mt 19:13-15

SUNDAY: Jer 38:4-6,8-10 / Heb 12:1-4 / Lk 12:49-53

Office Hours & Staff

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday.....9:00 AM—4:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday...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 PM or by appointment

Pastoral Staff

Fr. Frank K. Vitus, Pastor *Ext. 15*
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Tom Fricke, Permanent Deacon

Rod Accardi, Permanent Deacon

Corinne Hanson, Bus. Manager *Ext. 10*

Liz Jesse,

Religious Formation Director *Ext. 12*

Donna Kovarik, Music Director

Commission Chairpersons

Debi Savage, Pastoral Council

Barb Kosiek, PPC Co-Chair

Jim McIlvain, Administration/Finance

Jerry Fialek, Christian Service (scribe)

Mary McIlvain & Rosada Heintz,

Parish Life

Paula Sedlacek, Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 11

Monday, August 12

7:00 pm—Religious Form. Commission

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

Tuesday, August 13

9:00 am—Respect for All Life Committee

Wednesday, August 14

7:00 pm—Baptism Preparation Class

Thursday, August 15—Assumption

8:30 am—Holy Day of Obligation mass

7:00 pm—Holy Day of Obligation mass

7:00 pm—Peace & Social Justice (*offsite*)

Friday, August 16

Saturday, August 17

8:00 am-noon—Blood Drive

Sunday, August 18

11:00 am—Manna orders due

11:30 am—Baptism

Upcoming Events

**RF Registration for 13-14 continues.
Do not put it off too long!**

Sept 2: Labor Day holiday. Offices closed.

Sept 28: Road Trip to Our Lady of Good Hope. Mark your calendars and watch for more details.

Parish Giving

We believe that God loves us completely and unconditionally. The gift of faith keeps us firmly rooted in God's promise of everlasting love. Having faith does not mean that we can sit back and wait for God to solve all of our problems, nor does it mean that we will not suffer. But it does mean that we will never be alone. Be a Good Steward this coming week!

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014

Parish Expenses	\$ 6,420.00
Mortgage Payment	<u>3,350.00</u>
Total Needed	\$ 10,170.00

CONTRIBUTIONS August 3/4:

Sunday	\$ 7,041.84
Assumption	5.00
Debt Reduction	<u>1,294.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 8,340.84
This week's deficit	\$ (1,829.16)

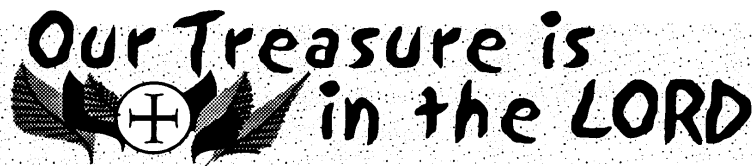
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS :

Electronic General (7/30-8/5)	775.00
Electronic Debt Reduction	245.00
General Funds	873.15
Debt Reduction	250.00
Debt to Diocese as of 7/8	\$787,811

Registered Households—731

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...*the diocese has received donation checks from ConAgra Foods, Inc., and Ameriprise Financial, but there is no personal information available as to who instructed the check to be sent. If you have donated to the diocese through either of these sources, please call Margaret Keenan at 815-722-6606, ext 230.*



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