

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

October 13, 2013

Our Mission

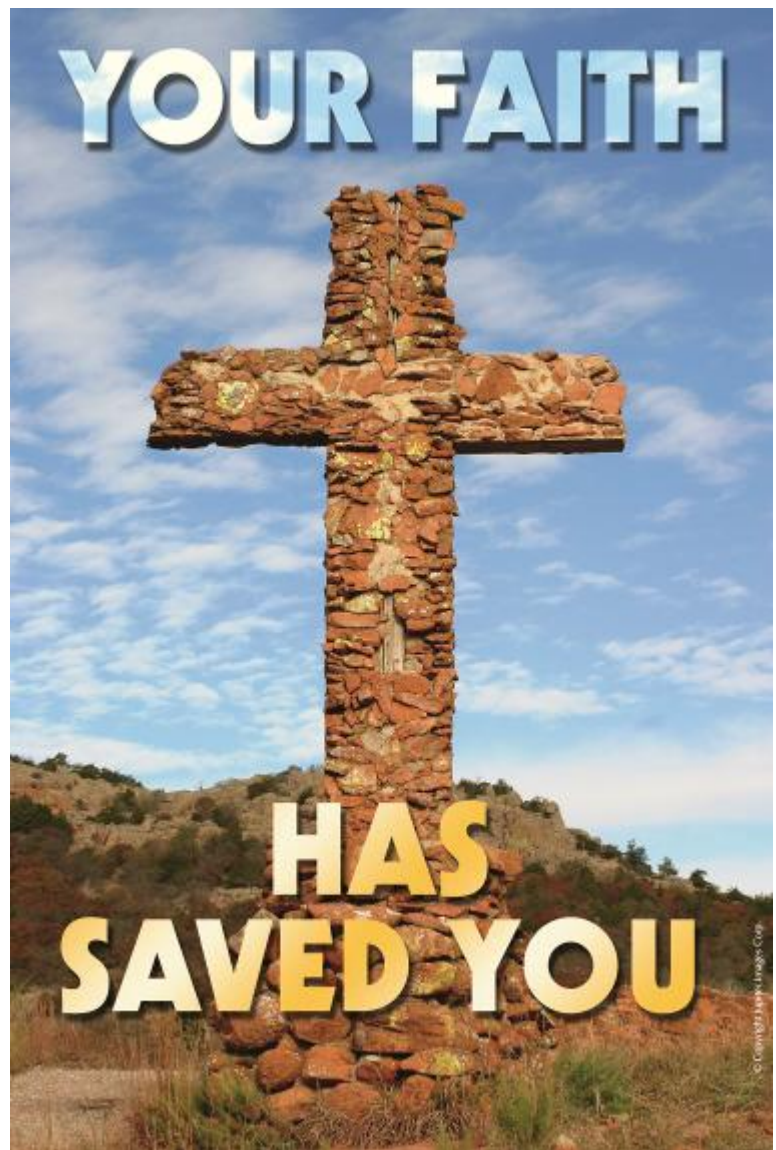
*Christ the Servant Parish is
a welcoming Catholic faith community
gathered together to gratefully share
and live the Eucharist,
the inspiration of the Gospel,
the presence of the Holy Spirit,
and to follow Christ's example in service of others.*

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**Welcome to the 4:45 mass,
Bishop Imesch
and
Diaconate Class of 1988**

Congratulations to the
deacons on 25 years of
ordained service,
as of
October 8, 2013.



Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home



FROM BISHOP CONLON



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. This year, World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on October 20.

Each year the needs of the Catholic Church in the missions grow – as new dioceses are formed, as new seminaries are opened, as areas devastated by war or natural disaster are rebuilt, and as other areas, long suppressed, are opening up to hear the message of Christ and His Church. That is why the involvement and commitment of Catholics from around the world is so urgently needed. Mission dioceses – about 1,000 at this time – receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected from this annual appeal. These funds help support catechetical programs, the work of Religious Communities, communication and transportation needs, and the building of chapels, churches, orphanages and schools.

Modeling Pope Francis's love for the "least among us" and fulfilling the call from Christ to love our neighbor, I ask you to support this special collection on World Mission Sunday. Last year the diocese provided \$235,000.00 to this effort. May the Lord bless you for your generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet

Speaking of world missions...

Your opportunity to join the Diocese in Mission

The Office for Human Dignity - Partnership in Mission announces the formation of a medical, construction, and education mission to Sucre, Bolivia, March 29th - April 12th, 2014. This will mark the 20th anniversary of our mission to Bolivia. We need doctors, nurses, handy-people, educators or simply people with a heart to serve. Are you called? Learn more at an Information Meeting to be held on November 12th, 7:00P M at St. Charles Pastoral Center in Romeoville. For more information call or email Bruce Carlson at 815 834-4017 or bcarlson@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Green Team

Go Green!

Start saving your electronics for the November 9 **Electronic Recycling Event** from 9 – noon. Bring gently used coats to be donated to St. Vincent DePaul.

The **Green Team** is currently collecting: worn gym shoes to be ground up for playground surfaces, used cards for St. Jude Ranch, comics to be sent to servicemen and women and screw-on lids to be made into jewelry. Please feel free to visit our recycling center in the Narthex at CTS.
The Green Team

Over 55 Ladies Club

Ladies Lunch Out

Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 1:30 PM at



2813 83rd Street, Darien

Call Rose and Joanne

New members welcome!

Our Beloved Dead

It is a Catholic tradition to celebrate our love for those who have died during the month of November, especially with the feasts of All Saints on November 1 and All Souls on November 2.

The “Our Beloved Dead” poster will be displayed on the large bulletin board throughout the month of November, updated each week as new requests come in.

To participate in the “Our Beloved Dead” poster, complete one of the envelopes available in the narthex. They have a label on them saying “In Death, our life has changed, not ended...” List the names of the dead that you wish to have included on the poster. Donations are accepted in the envelope, and your name is requested for accounting purposes. Donations are tax deductible if they are identifiable. We will list all these names in the November 24 bulletin.

Parish News



Welcome to our parish family:

Rodolfo & Linda L
Roanoke, Bolingbrook

If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available each weekend on the table in the narthex. Pick up a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!



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

Audrey Marie,

daughter of
Amy A & Timothy F
September 22, 2013

Dominic Jun,

son of
Jay & Flora A
October 6, 2013

Derek Francis,

son of
Dino and Rhea L
October 6, 2013

**“THE LORD
Sustains His People.”**

2013 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Update as of 10/4

Our Goal: 30,313
Amount pledged: \$37,518 123.77%
Amount paid to date: \$31,636 104.36% (of goal)

Now that the amount paid exceeds our goal, 50% of amounts paid will come back to help our parish. Only 28 households have not yet completed their pledge. Please keep up on your payments, or donate now if you have not yet done so. Many, many thanks to all who have helped us achieve our goal!

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

Religious Formation



Grades K-7: Sessions meet this Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation:

Session B - Sunday October 13th



Saints Retreat - Sunday October 20th 1:00-3:00pm

CATECHIST NEEDED
3rd Grade on Wednesdays, 4:45-6:00pm
9 children are waiting for an adult willing to spend time sharing the stories of Jesus, teaching them about the Trinity, the Church and Sacraments, and how we should share God's love for us with each other. Contact Liz Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, liz@ctswoodridge.org, 630-910-0770 ext 12

Parent and Child 1st Reconciliation Retreat MONDAY, OCTOBER 28th, 6:30-8:00pm



Families with students in Grades 2 and above that will be celebrating 1st Reconciliation this year.

Come spend some time updating your understanding of the sacrament of Reconciliation along with your child.



Bible Study

Fr. Frank's Bible Study group will be reading and discussing The Gospel According to Matthew. The group is scheduled to meet after the 10:00 Mass on Nov 3 and Nov 17. Contact Fr. Frank or Liz Jesse for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- If you feel that the Lord is calling you into deeper relationship...
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...
Are you seeking a sacrament? Baptism..Eucharist..Confirmation



Then we invite you to join our RCIA journey. It's not too late to join us.

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

SOUTHEAST DUPAGE YOUNG ADULTS

presents

Beyond the Tap 2013-14

Another Round Sports Bar
5141 Main St., Downers Grove
7:00-9:00 pm
Wed, October 16

Pope Francis and the Jesuits

Fr. John Belmonte, S.J.

Fr. Belmonte graduated from Marquette University in 1985 and joined the Society of Jesus the same year. He completed his theological studies at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and continued his studies at Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, MA. He received his PhD from Loyola University in Chicago in 2006. He now serves as Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Joliet. In 2010 he received the Leonardo DaVinci Award for Excellence in Education. For info: StsDeaconJerry@aol.com

**CHRIST THE SERVANT
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013**

The next page is our Parish annual financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013; along with a comparison to the prior fiscal year. I am pleased to report that the parish generated a slight surplus - \$2,139 - this year versus incurring an operating loss of \$13,361 last year.

As I begin to present this annual report, the first thing I need to say is “THANK-YOU”! As disciples of Christ, we recognize that everything we have is a gift from God. Even the money we possess is ultimately a gift from our Father. We are all called to be wise stewards of the blessings God so generously pours upon us. Without your support, it would not be possible for us to exist and promote the Kingdom of God.

Your use of the debt reduction envelopes and active participation in fundraising activities helped the parish meet its debt obligation to the diocese and retire over a \$130,000 in debt principal and make \$43,000 in interest payments. This year, our debt obligation to the Diocese of Joliet fell to just below \$800,000 and currently stands at \$764,000 (as of September payment). We also continued to support a number of important programs in the community which reach out to many people in need this past year.

Besides our normal routine maintenance and repairs, there was also several capital improvements made this past year. As you might have recently noticed, the street leading to our parking lot was partially resurfaced and the parking lot was sealed and striped. The carpet in the rectory was also replaced.

One thing this financial report does not reflect is the literally hundreds of volunteer hours given in service to the various parish ministries, for which I am also very appreciative. Without your giving of time, talent and treasure, the parish could not function and do all the good work it currently does.

For the current fiscal year, we are estimating our parish financial obligations to be approximately \$10,170 per week which includes debt service. This is the same as last year as we are working hard to control costs and be good stewards of your financial gifts to the parish.

Our goal is always to provide transparency and illustrate that we are good stewards of the treasures we receive from you. It is only through your continued commitment and sharing of time, talent and treasure that allows Christ the Servant to exist and provide our services and ministries. Let us continue to work together to support our mission statement and further the tradition of excellence at Christ the Servant parish. Please give some careful thought to increasing your financial support of the parish so we can continue to provide you with a beautiful place to worship and support the parishes many important ministries. Please know that you and your family are always in my prayers.

May God bless you!

Sincerely,



Father Frank Vitus

| CHRIST THE SERVANT PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----|
| | FISCAL YEAR ENDING | | | |
| | 6/30/2013 | 6/30/2012 | Increase (Decrease) | |
| Cash Inflows | | | | |
| Sunday Collections | \$361,647 | \$348,425 | \$13,222 | (1) |
| Other Collections | 43,889 | 39,772 | 4,117 | |
| Fundraisers (net) | 38,284 | 23,717 | 14,567 | (2) |
| Tuition and Fees | 28,767 | 34,173 | (5,406) | |
| Other Unrestricted Revenue | 20,884 | 23,515 | (2,631) | |
| Debt Reduction Envelopes | 37,693 | 33,767 | 3,926 | |
| Other Restricted Revenues | 9,160 | 7,976 | 1,184 | |
| Total Inflows | \$540,324 | \$511,345 | \$28,979 | |
| Cash Outflows | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | \$206,639 | \$202,333 | \$4,306 | |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 7,678 | 14,828 | (7,150) | |
| Services | 40,679 | 39,202 | 1,477 | |
| Materials & Supplies | 20,695 | 24,654 | (3,959) | |
| Insurance | 6,619 | 6,345 | 274 | |
| Utilities | 19,915 | 21,813 | (1,898) | |
| Diocesan Assessment | 27,239 | 23,120 | 4,119 | |
| Other Operating Expense | 3,547 | 5,054 | (1,507) | |
| Capital Expenditures | 31,174 | 13,357 | 17,817 | (3) |
| Loan Principal | 130,801 | 122,629 | 8,172 | (4) |
| Loan Interest | 43,199 | 51,371 | (8,172) | (4) |
| Total Outflows | \$538,185 | \$524,706 | \$13,479 | |
| Cash Flow Increase / (Decrease) | \$2,139 | (\$13,361) | \$15,500 | |
| FOOTNOTES: | | | | |
| (1) Current year includes "13th month" envelope which was added to offset prior year shortfall. | | | | |
| (2) One additional fundraiser took place this year versus last year. | | | | |
| (3) Current year includes parking lot repairs along with sealcoating and striping. | | | | |
| (4) Debt service obligation due to Diocese - \$174,000 annually. | | | | |
| ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: | | | | |
| | 6/30/13 | 6/30/12 | Increase (Decrease) | |
| Mortgage Loan - Principal Balance | \$799,616 | \$930,418 | (\$130,802) | |
| Funds on Deposit | | | | |
| - Checking / Savings / Development Fund | \$196,896 | \$176,822 | \$20,074 | |

Respect for All Life



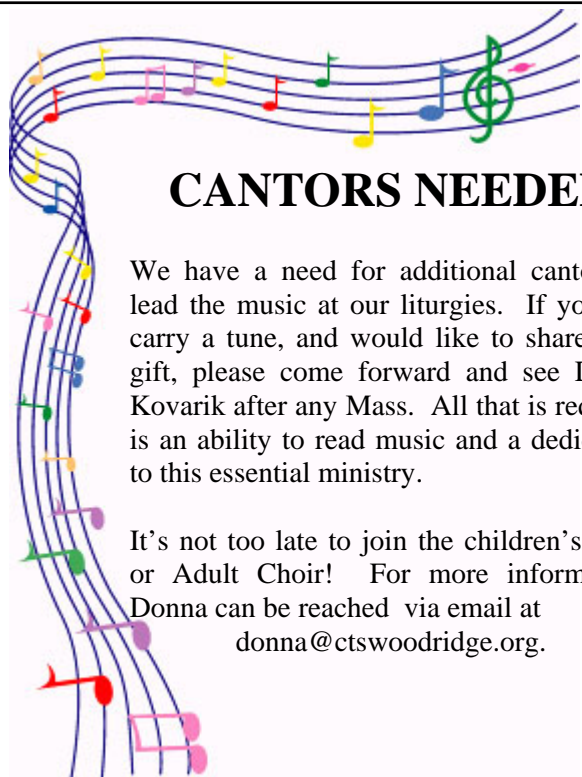
MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Millions of Americans will joining together in service as a part of “Make a Difference Day”, the largest community service event, held on the fourth Saturday of October each year.

Collective efforts over the years have been made to include people from all walks of life: young and old, families, cities and communities large and small. These volunteers see a problem as an opportunity in their community and take action to address it. They touch the lives of millions and find their own lives changed. Make a difference by showing greater respect for family members, friends and co-workers. Say an extra prayer for peace. Together in small ways we can “Make a Difference!”



♪ Music Ministry Notes ♪



CANTORS NEEDED

We have a need for additional cantors to lead the music at our liturgies. If you can carry a tune, and would like to share your gift, please come forward and see Donna Kovarik after any Mass. All that is required is an ability to read music and a dedication to this essential ministry.

It's not too late to join the children's choir or Adult Choir! For more information, Donna can be reached via email at donna@ctswoodridge.org.

*Christian Service
Peace and Social Justice*

The Christian Service Ministry TEAMS

THANK YOU

for making last weekend's
Christian Service Ministry Fair
an **Uplifting Success!!**

Those who **GOT INVOLVED** have already or soon will be contacted by their **FAVORITE TEAM!** Those still deciding on their Favorite Team can put their completed "Pick Your Ministry" sheet in the **Christian Service Drop Box** Or, contact Your Team thru the Parish Office.

GET INVOLVED

Do Something For Others as a
Christian Service Volunteer

Clothing Drive Thank You

Thank you to all who brought gently used clothing and household items for the St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive last weekend. We especially thank the following for helping load the truck with your donations:



- Amanda & Sal A
- Alex & Linda P
- Tom M
- Katelyn & Joe R
- MaryBeth, Kailee & Mike N
- Sam & Kristen C
- Sam C

Our next St. Vincent DePaul clothing drive will take place in the spring—just in time to clean out those stuffy winter closets! Watch the bulletin for details, and your opportunity to help receive the donations, too.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Reminder: The location for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, offered from 4:00-4:30 PM Saturdays, is in Fr. Frank's office at the far end of the hall.

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Anita Egan

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 12

4:45 PM People of the Parish
 Rich Buch, *r. Chris Wozniak*
 Donna Buonamici, *r. Donna Mays*
 Walter Szymanski, *r. family & friends*



Sunday, October 13

8:30 AM Bob McNulty, *r. Ken & Karen Rice*
 10:00 AM Grace Green, *r. Jennifer Paluch*

Monday, October 14

8:30 AM Eleanor Weber, *r. family*
 RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*
 Joseph & Virginia Zajac, *r. family*

Tuesday, October 15

8:30 AM Rich Buch, *r. Esther Rizzo*
 Regina Zdenovec, *r. Charles Zdenovec*
 Walter Szymanski, *r. family & friends*

Wednesday, October 16

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, October 17

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, October 18

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, October 19

4:45 PM Celeste Healy, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*
 Bob Creeden, *r. Jim & Ginny McIlvain family*

Sunday, October 20

8:30 AM People of the Parish
 Richard Buch, *r. Richard & Leona Gordon*
 10:00 AM Maltese family, *r. family*

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 frburke23@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, Nov. 14, 7:00-8:00PM

We pray for the Sick

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|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Jim Bloomfield | Dar Finan | Virginia Ryan |
| Louise Boden | Jack Finan | Ron Rydzewski |
| Stephen Boden | Elizabeth Freer | Kim Simpson |
| Dennis Boyle | Lorraine Gersch | Linda Simpson |
| Jeff Coole | Don Heinrich | Chris Templin |
| Vic Cordes | Marie Magee | Kim Transon |
| Karen Davis | Gene Mroz | Maribeth Wall |
| Holly Derrico | Ginny Myer | Cynthia Young |
| Sam Esposito | Pauline Ryan | |

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



Rev. Gene Birmingham
*(Director of West Suburban
 Faith-based Peace Coalition)*

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—Oct. 13-Oct. 20

SUNDAY: 2 Kgs 5:14-17 / 2 Tm 2:8-13 / Lk 17:11-19

MONDAY: Rom 1:1-7 / Lk 11:29-32

TUESDAY: Rom 1:16-25 / Lk 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY: Rom 2:1-11 / Lk 11:42-46

THURSDAY: Rom 3:21-30 / Lk 11:47-54

FRIDAY: 2 Tm 4:10-17b / Lk 10:1-9

SATURDAY: Rom 4:13,16-18 / Lk 12:8-12

SUNDAY: Ex 17:8-13 / 2 Tm 3:14-4:2 / Lk 18:1-8

Office Hours & Staff

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Woodridge, Illinois 60517
Phone: (630) 910-0770
Fax: (630) 910-6060
www.ctswoodridge.org

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*
 email: frfrankv@ctswoodridge.org

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, Parish Life

Rosada Heintz, Parish Life Co-Chair

Marybeth Nunzio, Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 13

8:30 am—Confirmation Class B

8:30 am—RCIA

10:00 am—CLOW resumes

Monday, October 14

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

Tuesday, October 15

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Gr. K-4

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Gr. 2,4-7

Wednesday, October 16

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Gr. 1-5

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Gr. 3,5-7

Thursday, October 17

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise Choir rehearsal

7:30 pm—Adult Choir rehearsal

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19

8:30 am—Worship Commission

Sunday, October 20

8:30 am—RCIA

11:30 am—Baptisms

1:00 pm—Confirmation Saints Retreat

Upcoming Events

Oct 20: Confirmation Saints Retreat, 1 pm

Nov 2: Cash 4 Food drive to benefit West Suburban Community Pantry.

Nov 9: Electronics Recycling 9 am-noon.

Dec 6: St. Nicholas Festival & Twelve Tastings of Christmas.

Parish Giving

Today's readings both shed light on the gratitude of a leper healed by a man of God, one by Elisha, and one by Jesus, the Son of God. As God's Stewards, when God grants us an answer to a prayer or affliction, do we respond in gratitude like Naaman and the Samaritan or like the nine other lepers?

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Oct. 5/6:

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|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Sunday | \$ 7,399.42 |
| Debt Reduction | <u>1,577.00</u> |
| Total Contributed | \$ 8,976.42 |
| This week's deficit | \$ (1,193.58) |

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS:

Christ is Our Hope Mag \$ 15.00

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS :

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| General Funds | \$ 996.00 |
| Restricted use | 100.00 |
| Debt Reduction | 65.00 |
| Debt to Diocese as of 9/12 | \$764,300 |

Registered Households—731

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know... whatever you are able to do helps Christ the Servant continue to serve Christ—whether your support is time, talent or treasure, your support is appreciated. We are especially grateful at this time for the people who have donated to help offset the cost of repairing the parking lot.



If we have died with him
 we shall also live with him

— RELIGIOUS GRAPHICS, 1 TD

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