

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

**3rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

January 26, 2014

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.

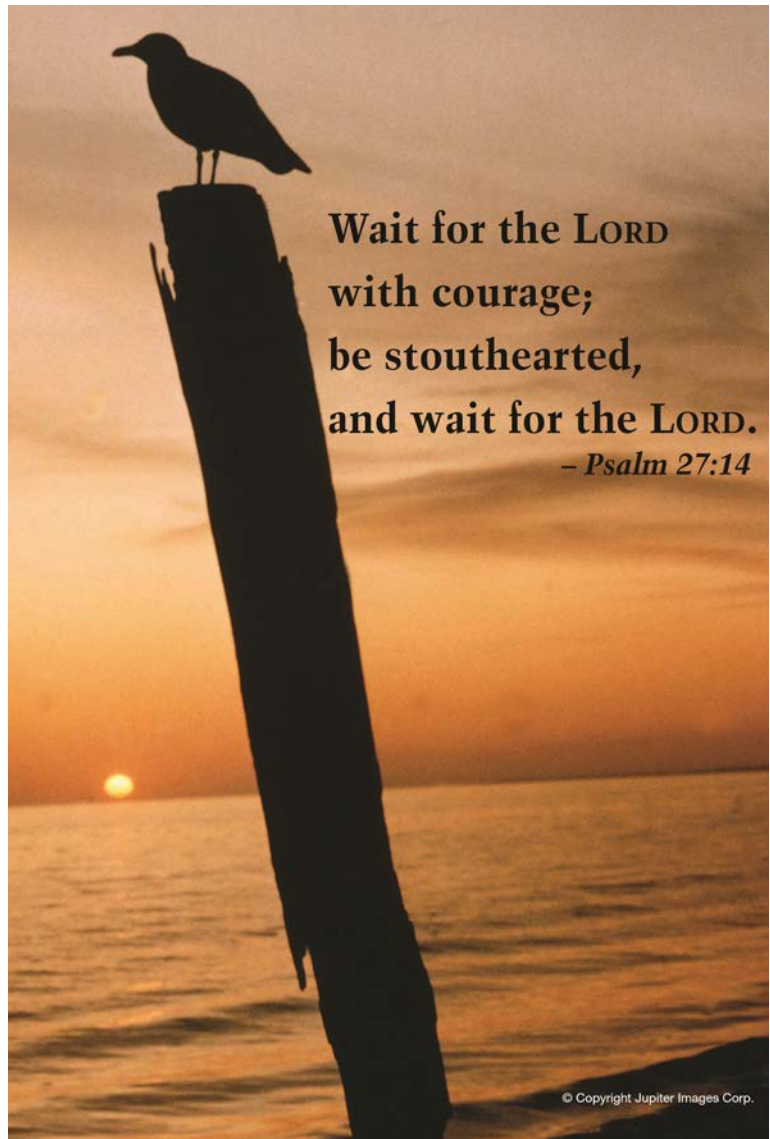
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Catholic Schools Week

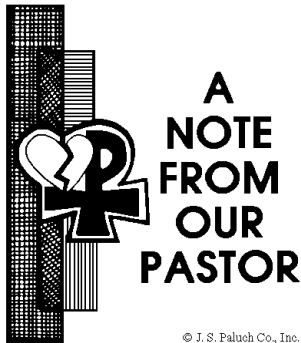
This week, Catholic schools are celebrating Catholic education in a variety of ways. Many nearby schools (St. Scholastica, Our Lady of Peace and St. Joseph's are nearby diocesan Catholic school) are offering Open House opportunities this weekend and throughout the week. Try searching for "Catholic schools near Woodridge, IL" to find contact information for nearby schools.

Also celebrate Catholic education for all age groups! We have Religious Formation here for students in grades K-8 who attend public schools, and an adult formation opportunity beginning Feb. 2. See page 4 for more information.



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Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

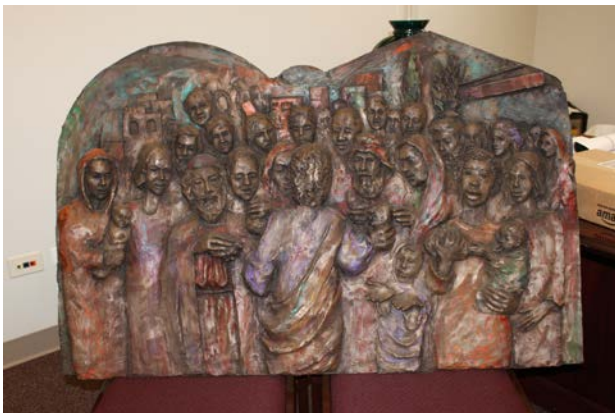


Rev. Frank H. Vitus

Our Church Art



Ivona Kosciuch from Watra Church Goods was responsible for the Mary statue that graces our parish church. A gift from former parishioner Dick Walsh, it was commissioned while Fr. Dennis was planning for the construction of the new church. What I like about the statue is that it invites people to place their hands in the hands of Jesus, whose hands are in his Blessed Mother's hands.



Victor Szostalo is responsible for the Stations of the cross and the plaque that is in the narthex, "Christ feeding the multitudes". In the modern tableau the face of Christ is not seen but the faces of many people of different cultures are depicted. In speaking with the artist, the point he wanted to make is that the face of Christ is seen in all of the various diverse people that our giving their rapt attention to Jesus.

The stations of the cross are a modern depiction of the stations. The originals were cast in bronze, our 15 plaques that depict the death and the resurrection of Jesus are made of painted resin.



Respect for All Life

Religious Convictions and the Law

On December 31st, Supreme Court Justice Sotomayor offered a reprieve to numerous Catholic groups who want to opt out of the Affordable Care Act HHS contraceptive mandate. Sotomayor said the government is temporarily prevented from enforcing contraceptive requirements against the Denver-based Little Sisters of the Poor Home for the Aged. Sotomayor's decision was joined by a U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C. Plaintiff lawyer Noel Francisco argued in appeal that the HHS mandate would "expose numerous Catholic organizations to devastating fines unless they abandon their religious convictions and take actions that facilitate access to abortion-inducing drugs, contraceptives, and sterilization for their employees and students.

On January 6, the U.S. Supreme Court blocked further same-sex marriages in Utah while state officials appeal a decision allowing these unions. In December, Judge Robert Shelby struck down Utah's ban on same-sex marriage. In response, the State of Utah offered a brief to the Supreme Court that relied on the Utah vs. Windsor decision, which supported the right of voters in Utah to define who was entitled to marry in that state.

Please pray that our government, when considering legislation that involves morality, always abides by natural law and nature's God.

Dave A

Human Trafficking is Not a Sport Super Bowl 2014

Human slavery—also known as human trafficking is still happening today!

An estimated 21 million people, including children as young as age five, are trafficked for commercial sex or forced labor across our world today. Large sporting events, such as the Super Bowl, are known to provide a lucrative market for human traffickers. During the days leading up to the Super Bowl event, Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Authorities will conduct surveillance operations in an attempt to prevent human traffickers from conducting their "business." Faith communities and many civil society groups have been active educating hotel staff and the wider public about human trafficking. It is our hope and prayer that Super Bowl XLVIII will be a Big Win in our nation's efforts to end Human Trafficking.

*information provided by the
School Sisters of Notre Dame
Hotline 1-888-373-7888*



While families in need can get assistance in purchasing food products, that benefit does not extend to paper products and toiletries, including diapers, wipes, and feminine hygiene products.

To help someone who really needs this kind of help, please donate these products **during the month of February**. There will be a crib in the narthex during February to receive your donations.

The donations will be taken to the West Suburban Community Food Pantry for distribution to clients. This opportunity to help others is in addition to our regularly scheduled Food Drives.

Go Green!

We are fortunate to live in an area that has so much recycling available to us. Unfortunately, there are added costs and energy use to convert our recyclables into new products. So, the **Green Team** is offering some alternatives to recycling – reusing.

The **Green Team** is current collecting:
Sunday comics to be sent to the troops serving overseas, **eye glasses** for the Lions Club, **Altoid** type of containers that are used to hold crayons for children that cannot afford crayons, **crayons and markers** (new or used), **screw on type of plastic caps** for making jewelry, **greeting cards** (Christmas and all other types - not Hallmark or American Greetings), **pads of stationery and pens** that you receive in the mail asking for a donation

Do you or your organization have any needs in which the **Green Team** can help? Let us know in our suggestion container in our recycling area.

The Green Team

Caps Collection: A Word of Thanks

Dear Parishioners of Christ the Servant,

Pardon me, if I'm late in sending this thank you, but I do appreciate so much your donations of plastic caps. You have been so generous in collecting these caps for a missionary in Africa. Sister Claire of the Sacred Heart order has been so appreciative. The caps are melted down and then creativity takes hold. Jewelry is made as well as other plastic products to be sold to help others in need. Thank you again, and God Bless You,

*Bev G
Pro-Life member, Divine Savior Parish*

Religious Formation

*Christian Service
Peace and Social Justice*

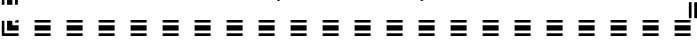


Grades K-7 No Sessions this week -
Catechist Institute

Confirmation Session B meets Sunday, Jan. 26th

Next Classes:

Session A—Sunday, February 2nd
Session A—Sunday, February 9th



Do you need a Spiritual "Tune-up"?

Ever wonder how some people become enthusiastic and on fire about their relationship with God?

Join us for a series of six mini-retreats.

We will see video presentations by
Fr. Albert Haase, OFM,

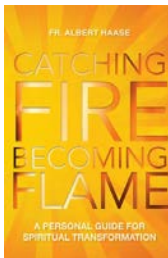
"who will give you the tools and kindling to prepare for the spark of God in your life - and then show you how to fan it into flame until you are set ablaze."

We will meet at 11:15am-12:45pm
on Sundays:

Feb 2, Feb 16, Mar 2, Mar 9, Mar 30, Apr 6, 2014.

Supplemental reading materials are available for \$15.

Contact Liz Jesse for more information or to RSVP.



**Where on Earth are we going?
And what can we do about it?**

The *Awakening the Dreamer Changing the Dream Symposium* is a profound inquiry into a bold vision: to bring forth environmental sustainability, social justice and spiritual fulfillment, three facets of a new dream for humanity and planet Earth.

If you are ready to explore what this vision means for you, and the opportunity to create an inspiring future, we invite you to attend.

Where: Christ The Servant Church

When: Saturday, February 15, 2014
8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 to cover lunch, specify vegetarian or not;
(no one turned away for lack of funds)

Register by February 10, 2014; Contact:
Karen J, .

email kajackson@gmail.com

Sr. Rosemary W, SP,

email rosemarysp@att.net

Registration forms are in the narthex.

**2014 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL
IS UNDERWAY**

"TRUST IN THE FATHER'S CARE"

The 2014 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal begins with a mailing that many of our parishioners have received or will soon receive. This is a mailing from Bishop Conlon asking for a pledge to the 2014 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal.

The Appeal not only funds many of the operations of the diocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. For example, funds support training for catechists and liturgical ministers.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "Trust in the Father's Care." God does provide for us. He never forgets us.

Our parish goal is \$30,921. With your support, we can reach and exceed this goal, as we have the last two years. (Our final report for 2013 showed a final amount paid of \$35,008, paid with \$2,615 yet unpaid.) When we exceed our goal in paid pledges, we will receive **60%** of the amount over goal for use in our parish.

Please answer Bishop Conlon's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be paid in 10 installments. Thank you in advance for your support.

F.A.C.T. Group

Up-Coming Events

**Families with Active Catholic Teens
6th-12th graders**



Sign-ups are available in the narthex for these fun-filled activities!

1. Sunday, January 26th after
10:00am Mass

TEEN WORK DAY - Get ready for our annual chocolate sale! Come make posters and apply our labels to CHOCOLATE BARS.....

Stay to socialize!

2. Weekend of Feb 8/9 - after all Masses
Sign up to help sell the chocolate on Valentine's Day Weekend!



Note that we are in need of a host team to serve at the 8:30 next week. Active or Substitute teams may offer to serve. New people are invited to join this ministry. It's great for a family with children eager to "do something" at mass. Duties involved coming early enough to greet people as they arrive, offering them a worship booklet, helping take up the collection, helping volunteer gift-bearers go up, guiding the communion procession, handing out bulletins as people leave, and straightening up booklets after mass. Call Corinne at 630-910-0770 or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org for information.



ALTAR MIN:

Saturday
February 1
4:45 PM

A Family

EXT. MINISTERS:

Mary K
Donna M
Marylou R
Annie T
Jean T

LECTORS:

Steve W
Kathy V

HOST TEAMS:

D Family

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
February 2
8:30 AM

Bill C
Mathew M

John C
Rose G
Jose S
Melania S
Heather S

Donna C
Therese K

MINISTERS NEEDED

Sunday
February 2
10:00 AM

Maria F
Gayle H

Deacon A
Ed J
Madeline J
Maureen N
Maureen V

Joe T
Dan R

T/S Family



Service through Music Ministry

Is music your gift? Don't hide it under a bushel basket - - let your

light shine, and become a cantor or join the choir! What a beautiful way to serve the Lord, and your parish - - through music at liturgies. Please contact Donna Kovarik at 630-369-2602 or donna@ctswoodridge.org.



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

Sydney Kendall,
daughter of
Dennis & Irma A
December 1, 2013

Amelia Rose,
daughter of
Roger & Alyssa M
January 5, 2014

Darcy Ann,
daughter of
Bryan & Jessica G
January 19, 2014

Mary Bernadette Lagtapon,
daughter of
Christopher & Rikka H
January 19, 2014

Over 55 Ladies Club

Ladies Lunch Out

Tuesday, January 28, 2014, 1:30 PM at

**Carriage Greens Country Club
8700 Carriage Green Drive, Darien**

*Call Helene
or Carol*

New members welcome!



Manna Fundraising Review: Manna gift cards are an easy way to help raise money for the parish while accomplishing your normal shopping and gift-giving. From 2010 through 2013, the parish has earned a total of \$6,739.57, averaging about \$1600 per year. This is considered an "unrestricted fundraiser", and the money is placed in operating funds. We had

seven Manna sales in 2011, five in 2012, and four in 2013. Watch the bulletin for news about when the next Manna sale will be held.

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Wally Pawlikowski

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 25

4:45 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, January 26

8:30 AM Gloria Barrientos, *r. Bien Barrientos*

10:00 AM Caterina Perricone, *r. Onofria Perricone*

Monday, January 27

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 28

8:30 AM Eleanor Weber, *r. family*

Wednesday, January 29

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, January 30

8:30 AM Martin Ciolkosc, *r. Donna Mays*

Friday, January 31

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, February 1

4:45 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, February 2

8:30 AM Richard Buch, *r. Marianna, Andy & Jacklyn Serafin*

10:00 AM Fr. John Barrett, *r. Jean Durran*

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, Feb. 13, 7:00-8:00PM**

We pray for the Sick

Fr. John Barrett	Cindy Giannini	Julie Nelson
Louise Boden	Kay Goetz	Dan Ryan
Mari Cleary	Don Heinrich	Ron Rydzewski
Jeff Coole	Anna Mae Husson	Harry Spatero
Sophie Czajka	Hannah Jahn	Chris Templin
Holly Derrico	Linda Lagman	Kim Transon
Bob Epstien	Jaime Lucia	
Jamie Filippini	Marie Magee	
Jack Finan	Gene Mroz	

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



Richard Mraz
(brother of Eleanor Myczek)

We pray for those who Serve

Greg Basta, son of Ted Basta

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz

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—Jan. 26-Feb. 2

SUNDAY: Is 8:23-9:3 / 1 Cor 1:10-13,17 /
Mt 4:1-2-23 or 4:12-17

MONDAY: 2 Sm 5:1-7,10 / Mk 3:22-30

TUESDAY: 2 Sm 6:12b-15,17-19 / Mk 3:31-35

WEDNESDAY: 2 Sm 7:4-17 / Mk 4:1-20

THURSDAY: 2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29 / Mk 4:21-25

FRIDAY: 2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17 / Mk 4:26-34

SATURDAY: 2 Sm 12:17-a,10-17 / Mk 4:35-41

SUNDAY: Mal 3:1-4 / Heb 2:14-18 /
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

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*
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)

Tony Abellera, (interim) Parish Life

Rosada Heintz, Parish Life Co-Chair

Marybeth Nunzio, Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship

Mercy Home for Boys and Girls

Christ the Servant parishioners are invited to participate and be in the audience at two (1/2 hour each) Masses that will be taped on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014 at Mercy Home, 1140 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago. Fr. Carl Morello will be the celebrant. Call Rita S. or sign up in the narthex.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 26

8:30 am—RCIA

8:30 am—Confirmation Class B

10:00 am—CLOW

11:00 am—FACT Fundraiser Work Day

Monday, January 27

7:00 pm—Parish Pastoral Council

Tuesday, January 28

NO RF classes

Wednesday, January 29

NO RF classes—Catechist Institute

Thursday, January 30

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise Choir Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 31

Saturday, February 1

Sunday, February 2

8:30 am—RCIA

8:30 am—Confirmation Class A

10:00 am—CLOW

11:30 am—Baptism

Upcoming Events

Mar 5: Ash Wednesday

Mar 15: 8 am-noon. Blood Drive

Mar 16-18: Lenten Mission with John Donahue-Grossman

Parish Giving

The watchword today is “immediately.” Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond immediately to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God’s call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Jan 18/19:

Sunday	\$ 5,254.39
Debt Reduction	<u>81.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 5,335.39
Deficit	\$ (4,834.61)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Electronic Gen. Funds	345.00
Electronic Debt Red.	25.00
Debt to Diocese as of 12/31	\$729,407

Registered Households—731

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...contribution statements for 2013 have been mailed to all who gave \$100 or more during the year. Anyone who does not receive a statement may call the Parish Office to request one.

Leave a Legacy. Giving long-term assets to our parish or diocese can help you avoid capital gains tax and give you a tax deduction. Find how and get tax help as your legacy provides perpetual support for our Church. Call the Development Office at 815-221-6100.

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