

# Christ the Servant Catholic Church

**15th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

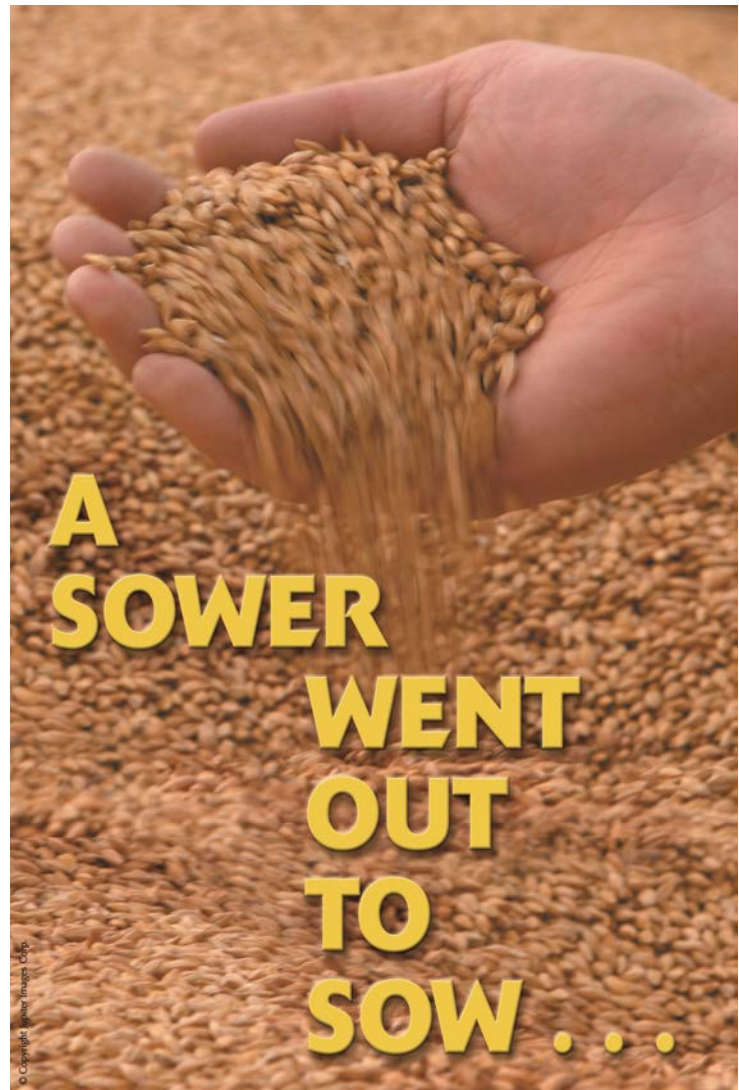
**July 13, 2014**

## *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.*

## **This week:**

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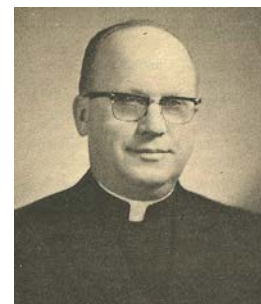
*Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home*

As many of you have figured out, I like history, especially local history. Bishop Siegel, who shares a similar interest, approached me when he was here celebrating the sacrament of confirmation. We have a book in the sacristy called the ordo which gives directions on what prayers to say at mass and readings, feast days, etc. As a part of that ordo there is a necrology. The Necrology is a list of our deceased priests. Bishop Siegel thought it may be a good thing to include the obituary, or stories or memories of the deceased priests from our diocese. The first one I shared was our founding pastor, Fr. Jim Ratigan. Today I would like to share information about someone many of the old timers may know. It's Fr. Ed Gregory. Fr. Gregory was the founder of St. Dominic's Parish in Bolingbrook.

*Rev. Frank K. Vitus*

**Rev. Edmund Gregory**  
**Oct. 30, 1922 - June 13, 1980**

Fr. Edmund Gregory, 58, a native of Joliet and founding pastor of St. Dominic's Parish in Bolingbrook was found dead on Saturday at St. Ambrose rectory in Crest Hill. He had been in residence there in recent months. Fr. Gregory developed a heart condition in 1977 while serving as pastor at St. Joseph Parish in Manteno. As a result he resigned his pastorate the following June. Subsequently he was in residency in St. Patrick Church in Joliet, and later in Crest Hill. Known through the diocese as a kind hearted, considerate individual, he over extended himself to be of help to other priests. He visited many parishes in recent months offering Masses to lighten the schedule of other priests. He was a regular celebrant of Mass at the Guardian Angel Home in Joliet. As recently as last Sunday he was at the Maternity BVM parish picnic in Bourbonnais.



Fr. Gregory was ordained a priest in May 1949, in the first ordination class in the new Diocese of Joliet. His first assignment took him to St. Mary Nativity Parish in Joliet where he spent three years. He also served at St. Petronille in Glen Ellyn. His first pastorate came when he was placed in charge of St. Mary Parish in Reddick in October of 1957. He remained for three years also serving at St. Lawrence O'Toole parish in Essex. At one time he was pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Braidwood. In 1960 he was assigned to be the founding pastor at St. Dominic Parish in Bolingbrook. Nine years later he was sent to St. Joseph Parish in Manteno.

Father was educated in the Joliet schools system. He studied for the priesthood at St. Procopius in Lisle and Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis, MO. At one time he was president of the Manteno Rotary club. He served as dean of Kankakee-Grundy deanery and was a member of the Priests Senate, the Diocesan Consultant. He was also a fourth degree Knights of Columbus and chaplain of the Joliet KSKJ, a Slovenian organization. He was buried at St. Joseph Parish in Joliet.

*(Obituary from Joliet Catholic Explorer)*



**Planting the Seeds of Faith**

Faith is an integral part of our lives; it is interwoven into everything we do. Summer is a great time to refocus on faith, fellowship and fun.

The way we live our daily lives communicates our faith to the world around us. The choices we make, where we spend our time, what we value – all reflect our commitment to the Christian life. Sometimes we are called to explain lovingly what we believe or speak up on behalf of the poor and vulnerable. Summertime – with its slower pace and (usually) beautiful weather – offers us ample opportunities to share our faith with our friends, family and community. Bring a flower to an elderly person in your neighborhood or share a glass of lemonade with a struggling friend. God's love surrounds us!

*God bless, Heidi Busse (Our Sunday Visitor)*



Are you interested in serving and praising our Lord in a special way? Here is a special opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls to participate as liturgical dancers for our parish's 25th anniversary celebration. If you are interested please come to an informational session on Monday, July 21 at 7 pm in the church. We will be involved in the kickoff masses for our 25th year the weekend of September 20/21, 2014. If you have questions, please call Donna C.

### SAVE THE DATE!

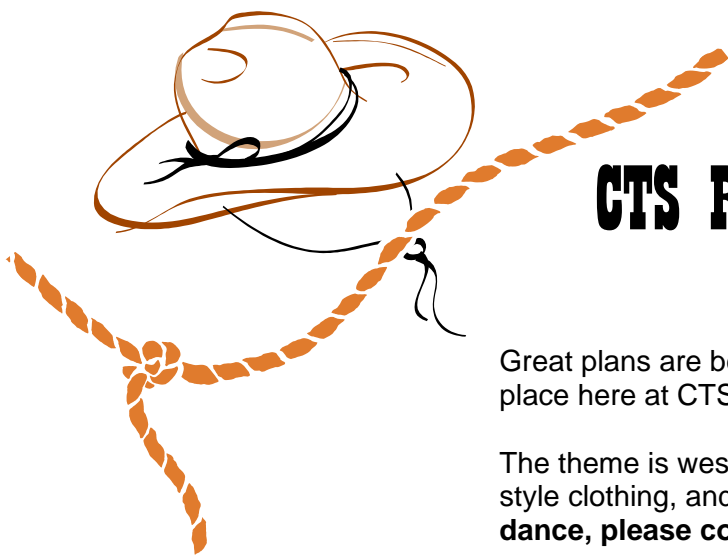
**AUGUST 16th 8 am-noon**

### Blood Donors and Volunteers Needed!



Even if you can't donate blood at the blood drive, you could help welcome people as they arrive to register, or help serve refreshments to those who have donated. Contact Kathy V to cover a shift. Two or three helpers would be good to have from 8-10 am, and one or two

helpers for 10am-noon.



## CTS Roundup and Annual Picnic August 10

Great plans are being made for our annual parish picnic, which will take place here at CTS on Sunday, August 10, beginning at 1:00 pm.

The theme is western—the CTS Roundup! Wear your favorite western-style clothing, and, **if you or anyone you know can call a square dance, please contact Rosada H.**

Like previous years, this will be an event of fun for the whole family. Food to go with the theme (exact menu to be determined) will be available for purchase, along with soft drinks and water. Free popcorn is planned. Folding chairs will be at the tables, and you are welcome to bring your own comfortable lawn chairs and specialty beverages of your choice.

New this year is a community service project in conjunction with the picnic theme. Heifer International was chosen as a service component to our Annual Picnic as a symbol of Christ the Servant's long-standing virtue of helping people in need while enjoying our own parish community. Watch out for critters on the lawn!

### Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal 2014: "Trust in the Father's Care"

The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) provides funding for the ministries and services offered by the Diocese of Joliet. This annual campaign provides financial support for the education of seminarians, scholarships for Catholic Schools, the work of Catholic Charities and many more of the ministries and services provided by our Diocese.

Those who have contributed to the CMAA in the past but have not done so yet in 2014 have or will soon receive a letter asking them to make a gift in support of the many good works underwritten by the CMAA. We encourage our parishioners to make a generous gift. Also, we remind those of you that have already pledged your support, to continue to make your pledge payments. After our parish reaches its goal in the amount paid, 60% of any additional funds received are returned to the parish to help with our needs.

## Religious Formation



**HAPPY SUMMER!**  
Thank God for the  
blessings of summertime.



### Have you registered for 2014/15 Religious Formation Classes?

Classes are being assigned as registrations are received. If you need a particular date or time, please don't delay.

Forms are available the in the  
narthex and on the parish  
web-site; [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org)

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a  
Facebook page!

[www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org](http://www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org)  
"Like" us!

### OPPORTUNITIES TO BE A CATECHIST

What is a catechist?

A catechist is a person who is willing to give  
their time and talents to a group of children.  
Maybe it's you.

Requirements are: A willingness to share your faith  
and a commitment of an hour and 15 minutes a week  
with the students. Materials, lessons and support  
are provided! Sessions begin in mid-September.  
If you are interested in becoming a catechist, contact Liz  
Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, 910-0770 ext 12.  
or [liz@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:liz@ctswoodridge.org)

### Protecting God's Children

#### ATTENTION: ALL VOLUNTEERS AND PARENTS

PGC is an awareness and safe environment program. Out of  
concern for the safety and well-being of children, **all adults**, who  
have significant contact with children at our parish **must**  
participate in the Protecting God's Children Program. This  
program is mandated by the Diocese of Joliet in accordance with  
the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*.  
The training session is being offered at Christ the Servant  
on Tuesday September 2, 2014 at 7:00pm. Visit  
[www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) for session listings (select Joliet, IL (Diocese))  
and to register. Contact Liz Jesse @ 910-0770 x12 or  
[liz@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:liz@ctswoodridge.org).

## Respect for All Life

### Discipline and Holiness

Jesus said: "I have come that  
you may have life and have it  
to the fullest."



~ John 10:10

Discipline is the path that leads to the "fullness of life."  
There are 4 major aspects of the human person: physical,  
emotional, intellectual, and spiritual. When we eat well,  
exercise often, and sleep regularly, we feel more fully  
alive physically. When we love, when we give priority to  
the significant relationships in our lives, when we give of  
ourselves to help others in their journey, we feel more  
fully alive emotionally. When we study our vision of  
ourselves and God, the world expands, and we feel more  
fully alive intellectually. When we take time each day to  
come before God in prayer openly and honestly, we  
experience life more fully spiritually. All of these life-  
giving endeavors require discipline. When we embrace a  
life of discipline, we thrive, and we are most fully alive.

In every age, the Church experiences problems and  
difficulties. Personal holiness is the answer to every  
problem. Holiness is simply the application of the values,  
principles, and spirit of the Gospel to the circumstances  
of everyday life. Holiness is the goal of the Christian  
life. It's a dynamic collaboration between God and man  
that brings delight to God. It is surrendering to the will  
of God. Holiness is for everyone; NOT just a select few.  
It is the delight and the desire of God, and the source of  
your happiness.

~ from *Rediscover Catholicism, A Spiritual Guide to Living  
with Passion and Purpose*, by Matthew Kelly  
submitted by Dave A

### Widowed Men & Women

Recovering from your loss takes time. Probably longer  
than you imagined. Hope and joy do return eventually.  
Attend the retreat/workshop designed to help you deal  
with your loss while still treasuring your memories.



**Joyful  
Again!**

A 2-day program will be held at:

- Holy Family Parish, **July 26 & 27th**  
(near Barrington & Palatine Rds.)
- Mary Queen of Heaven Parish  
on **August 2 & 3**, Elmhurst

To register or get more info, call Joyful Again  
Widowed Ministry Program 708-354-7211.

Note that we are in need of **Ministers of the Altar** to serve at the 8:30 and 10:00 am masses 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 involve arriving about 10 minutes before mass begins, serve as Crossbearer, set the altar at the Presentation of the Gifts, help the priest accept the gifts, pour water over Father's fingers, and help clear the altar after communion.. We also need a **Host Team** person(s) to help at the 8:30 and 10:00. Call Corinne at 630-910-0770 or email [ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org) for information.



**ALTAR MIN:**

Saturday  
July 19  
4:45 PM

T Family

**EXT. MINISTERS:**

Patti C  
Darlene S  
Jim G  
Donna M  
Pat S

**LECTORS:**

Jerry F  
Vince D

**HOST TEAMS:**

V Family

**Next Weekend's MINISTERS**

Sunday  
July 20  
8:30 AM

Mathew M  
**MINISTER NEEDED**

John C  
Cheryl F  
Cindy F  
Lee W  
Andrea W

Barb K  
Paula R

Greg F  
**MINISTER NEEDED**

Sunday  
July 20  
10:00 AM

**MINISTERS NEEDED**

Joanne F  
Ed J  
Madeline J  
Maureen N  
Dan R

Judy E  
Peg K

**MINISTERS NEEDED**



Welcome to our parish family:

**Michael & Marie G & family**  
Tahoe Ln, Romeoville

*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!*

*Over 55 Ladies Club*

**Ladies Nite Out**

**Tuesday, July 22, 2014, 4:30 PM at**



**Yorktown Center, Lombard**

*Call Peg K  
or Janet S*

*New members welcome!*

*Hope to see everyone there!*



**Get a jump start on Back to School shopping with Manna!**

Christ the Servant gets a small percentage per card purchased and you get all the fun! Orders are due July 27 at 11 am. Delivery August 2/3.

**Sacramental Information**

**RITE 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? Email Fr. Burke Masters at [frburke23@aol.com](mailto:frburke23@aol.com), or talk with Fr. Frank.

**RECONCILIATION** Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), at parish reconciliation services during Advent and Lent, 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, help driving to appointments, emergency meals, or anyone needing 2 hour respite care for a homebound family member 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, August 14, 7:00-8:00PM**

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

Harold Nemecek & Dolores Joppa

**MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, July 12**

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*  
Gerald Johnson, *r. family*

**Sunday, July 13**

8:30 AM Richard Buch, *r. Richard & Leona Gordon*  
Ernest Peterek, Sr., *r. Ernie & Betty Peterek*  
10:00 AM People of the Parish

**Monday, July 14**

8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, July 15**

8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, July 16**

8:30 AM Walter Szymanski & Barbara Radloff,  
*r. Dan & Janet Szymanski*

**Thursday, July 17—Communion service**

**Friday, July 18**

8:30 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, July 19**

4:45 PM Donna Buonamici, *r. Jim & Alie Phillips,*  
*Jamie Lucia & Sue Tiesenga*

**Sunday, July 20**

8:30 AM Blanche Grimes, *r. Sandy & Tom Burzinski*  
10:00 AM People of the Parish

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

**We pray for the Sick**

Joe Becker	Hannah Jahn	Steven Paul
Jim Blumberg	Joanne Keefe	Beverly Peck
Louise Boden	Peggy Laughlin	Tony Prebil
Bob Camp	Anna Lang	Ron Rydzewski
Jackie Ciombor	Sr. Suzanne Lesniewski	Diane Sarosiek
Jeff Coole	Colleen McCoy	Lou Schiller
Holly Derrico	Gene Mroz	Elaine Thomas
Carol Hendrick	Thomas O'Donnell	Mark Thomas

*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.*

*In prayer and thanksgiving! Thank you for your prayers, cards, and best wishes for my successful knee surgery. Your friendships are a blessing to me. Rita A. Sisko*

**We pray for those who Serve**

**Christopher Durkovic**, grandson of Joan Kurtz  
**Ben Jalove**, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove  
**Mike Kohne**, grandnephew of Dan & Mary Anne Troy  
**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.*

**Summer Daily Mass Schedule**

Daily Mass takes place Monday through Friday at 8:30 am. During the summer months, Father Frank will be taking Thursday's off. For the remainder of July and August Deacon Tom Fricke will lead a Communion Service on Thursdays at 8:30 am.



**Bible Readings—July 13-July 20**

**SUNDAY:** Is 55:10-11 / Rom 8:18-23 / Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9  
**MONDAY:** Is 1:10-17 / Mt 10:34-11:1  
**TUESDAY:** Is 7:1-9 / Mt 11:20-24  
**WEDNESDAY:** Is 10:5-7,13b-16 / Mt 11:25-27  
**THURSDAY:** Is 26:7-9,12,16-19 / Mt 11:28-30  
**FRIDAY:** Is 38:1-6,21-22,7-8 / Mt 12:1-8  
**SATURDAY:** Mi 2:1-5 / Mt 12:14-21  
**SUNDAY:** Wis 12:13,16-19 / Rom 8:26-27 / Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



**Theology On Tap**, serving Young Adults, College Age, 20's and 30's, will meet at **Another Round Bar & Grill**, 5141 Main St., Downers Grove. Attendance is free, with food and drinks available for purchase. Meetings are Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm, guest speaker will begin at 7:15. Gather on Wednesday, July 23 to hear Jerry Christensen speak about "Finding God's Plan In Our Lives". Jerry has been an ordained deacon in the Diocese of Joliet for 25 years, currently assigned to St. Scholastica in Woodridge. He has previously been a teacher, coach and youth minister in Catholic and public school and club/traveling teams. Questions? Contact Jerry Christensen at StSDeaconJerry@aol.com.

**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)

**Rosada Heintz**, Parish Life

**Jean Durran**, Parish Life Co-Chair

**Marybeth Nunzio**, Religious Formation

**Sister Suzanne Lesniewski**, Worship

**Calendar of Events**

**Sunday, July 13**

11:15 am—25th Anniversary Core Team meeting

**Monday, July 14**

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

**Tuesday, July 15**

3:00-9:00 pm—Photo Sessions

**Wednesday, July 16**

3:00-9:00 pm—Photo Sessions

**Thursday, July 17**

3:00-9:00 pm—Photo Sessions

**Friday, July 18**

3:00-9:00 pm—Photo Sessions

**Saturday, July 19**

9:00 am-3:00 pm—Photo Sessions

**Sunday, July 20**

**Upcoming Events**

**Jul 21:** Liturgical Dance Practice, 7 pm

**Jul 27:** Manna Orders due, 11 am

**Aug 10:** All Parish Picnic, 1 pm

**Aug 15:** Assumption of Mary Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at 8:30 am and 7pm

**Aug 16:** Blood Drive, 8am-noon

**Aug 23:** Parish Garage/Parking Lot Sale & Craft Fair, 9am-2pm

Visit [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org) and click on the link to sign up for your photo directory photo session. All people photographed received a free 8x10 photo and a copy of the directory. No internet? No problem. Contact Corinne in the Parish Office.

**Parish Giving**

May our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure show us to be among those who have heard the message of Christ and taken it in, yielding a hundred- or sixty- or thirty-fold!

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS July 5/6**

Sunday	\$ 7,283.00
13th Month	905.00
Debt Reduction	1,592.00
<b>Total Contributed</b>	<b>\$ 9,780.00</b>
This week's deficit	(\$ 390.00)

**CONTRIBUTIONS to Charity:**

Peter's Pence 45.00

Debt to Diocese as of 5/30 \$668,391

Registered Households—728

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**Did you know...** a dedicated group of volunteers help maintain the beauty of our flower beds; three people who put forth extraordinary effort are Lee W, Patti C and Chris B. Thank you to all who help keep our parish grounds beautiful. Please take time to enjoy the Joan English memorial butterfly garden, through the arches on the south side of the building.

**Leave a Legacy.** Your home can provide lasting support for our parish or diocese. Through a life estate arrangement, you can donate it and take a tax deduction, yet live there as long as you desire. Call the Development Office at 815-221-6100.

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