

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

**17th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

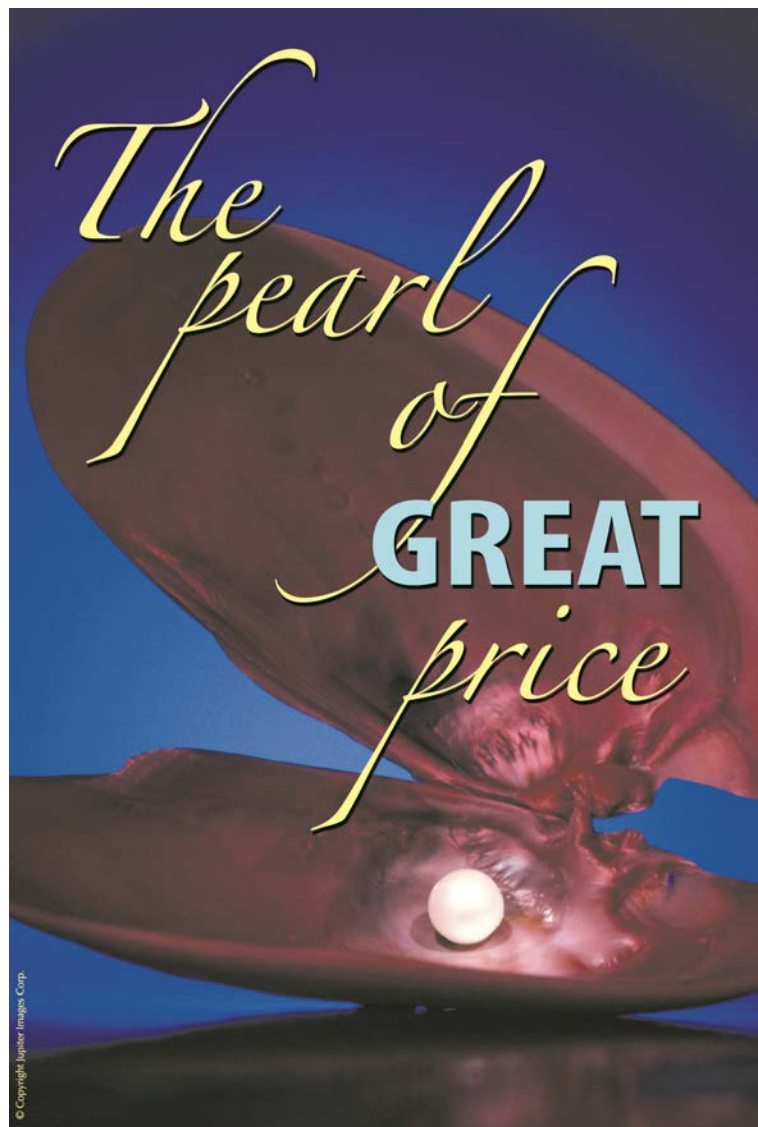
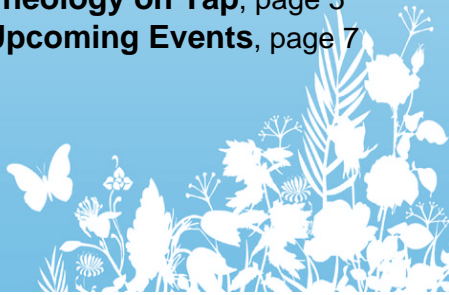
July 27, 2014

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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Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

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Christ the Servant Parish
1990-2015

25th Anniversary

News

As we prepare to celebrate our 25th anniversary and also preparing to put our first parish directory together since 1998 we would appreciate your help. Can you please jot down a paragraph about a memory that you have of Christ the Servant Parish? Were you at the first mass at Lakeview, or present at the mass Bishop Imesch had when he announced the death of Fr. Ratigan? Maybe you were here for the groundbreaking. It would help us to share these stories with the other parishioners. Know that they will be subject to editing and not all of the essays will be published. Thanks for your help. If you can have these to us by August 15th. You can e-mail essays to corinne@ctswoodridge.org or mail them or drop them in the drop box in the narthex.

Rev. Frank Vitkus

25th Anniversary Photo Directory

Great news! **Two new dates** for having your photo taken for our photo directory have been opened up. Visit the CTS website (www.ctswoodridge.org) and click on the arrow to move the calendar to August. You may choose Wednesday, August 27 or Thursday, August 28 from 3:00-9:00 pm.

As an alternative to signing up online, call Corinne in the Parish Office 630-910-0770 to register for an appointment.

If you prefer to sign up in person before or after mass, we will be offering signups the weekend of August 2/3.



Attention: Commissions and Committees and Groups

We are accepting photos of various groups (examples but not limited to: Parish Pastoral Council, Religious Formation Commission, Peace & Social Justice Committee, Over 55 Ladies and Rosary group) to include in the directory. The number of activity pages is limited, but we will include as many of these photos as possible.

Take a picture of your group, and submit it (either email to ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org or bring the picture to the Parish office) before September 1. Please include the names of the people in your photo. Thanks!

Questions? Call Corinne at 630-910-0770 or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org.

Why are all those critters on the lawn???



CTS Roundup and Annual Picnic

Our Parish Picnic Roundup is rounding up more than critters. We're looking to help feed the hungry people throughout the world as well. From now through the picnic, **August 10**, you may help purchase all or part of a cow, goat, sheep, pig,

rabbits, chickens or honeybees to help provide sustainability for farmers in developing nations through a donation to Heifer International. We will be celebrating how much we've done at the picnic, where we will have fun for the whole family **beginning at 1:00 pm**. Enjoy cowboy-style food, play games, enjoy music from the DJ, and especially fellowship with our parish family and friends. As with past picnics, helpers are needed. See the signup board in the narthex. Call Rosada H with any questions.



Blood Drive
Saturday, August 16th
8:00 am—12:00 pm

To make your appointment to donate, sign up online at www.heartlandbc.org (or click on the link under this Blood Drive logo on our webpage, www.ctswoodridge.org), or call Kathy Vana at 312-550-8356. Appointments preferred; walk-ins welcome!

Visit www.heartlandbc.org for details on how 17-21 year old students can win one of five, \$1000 scholarships from Heartland this summer!

PHOTO I.D. IS REQUIRED

How can I help make our very first Parking Lot (and sidewalk and narthex) Sale a success?

Lots of ways!!!

- Sign up to have your own booth of items to sell. Registration forms are in the narthex, and you may rent your spot for only \$20. At the end of the day, unsold items you do not wish to carry back home may be donated to St. Vincent DePaul.
- Help the parish get ready by helping price the items we are clearing out of storage.
- Help set up the CTS vendor booth.
- Help staff the parish table during sale hours.
- Help put away tables after the sale closes at 2 pm.

Make it an "offsite" garage sale. Ideal opportunity for apartment dwellers. Crafters also welcome. Register by August 15. Call Corinne at 630-910-0770 with questions.



Religious Formation

HAPPY SUMMER!

Thank You God for simple gifts
like special friends.

(Does someone you know need to hear from you?)

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

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!

**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

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.

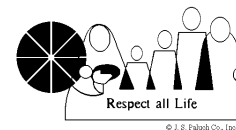
Sunday morning classes will begin in the Fall. Contact Liz Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, for information about the RCIA Process or if you are interested in serving on the RCIA Team and sharing your faith. 630-910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org



Respect for All Life

An Authentic Culture of Compassion

In "Gaudium et Spes," Vatican II spoke about euthanasia, assisted suicide, and other forms of



violence against human life and dignity. The Hemlock Society is a "right to die" organization that has merged with the group Compassion and Choices, an international movement seeking to convince our culture that euthanasia and assisted suicide are in the peoples' best interest. However, the root meaning of "compassion" is to "suffer with". Therefore, in response to the culture of death, members of the Body of Christ must not only renounce killing, but also provide loving care—and principled defense—of the sick and suffering. Pope Francis, in September, 2013, noted: "A widespread mentality of the useful is the 'throwaway culture' that asks for the elimination of human beings, especially if they are physically or socially weaker. Our response to this mentality is a decisive and unreserved 'yes' to life." The Catholic Church unequivocally opposes both of these practices: "No one can make an attempt on the life of an innocent person without opposing God's love for that person, without violating a fundamental right, and without committing a crime of the utmost gravity." Led by Pope Francis, the Church favors a more humane, reasonable, and compassionate vision that leads society toward a better way: Care, not kill. Embrace, not abandon. Suffer with, not dispose of. We must respond to the culture of death with both reasoned arguments and loving actions that give testimony to the dignity of life.

~ from "Death, Be Not Proud," by Wesley J. Smith, consultant for the Patients' Rights Council and the Center for Bioethics and Culture, In *Knights of Columbus Columbia Magazine*, July 2014
submitted by Dave A

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 for session listings (select Joliet, IL (Diocese)) and to register. Contact Liz Jesse @ 910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org.

Note that we are in need of an **Extraordinary Minister of Communion** to serve at the 4:45 next week. Active or Substitute ministers may offer to serve.

New people are invited to join this ministry. A minister of Communion must be confirmed and have a love for sharing the Body and Blood of Christ with fellow Catholics. Call Corinne at 630-910-0770 or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org for information.



ALTAR MIN:

Saturday
August 2
4:45 PM

N Family

EXT. MINISTERS:

Patti C
Deb G
Karen J
Steve J
MINISTER NEEDED

LECTORS:

Bob C
Jerry F

HOST TEAMS:

Donna M
Pat S

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
August 3
8:30 AM

C Family

Cheryl F
Rose G
Michael L
Jose S
Melania S

Steve W
Peg K

Greg F
Mathew M

Sunday
August 3
10:00 AM

Maria F
Gayle H

Deacon A
Ed J
Madeline J
Ramon J
Maureen V

Barb K
Toni M

D Family

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Woman's Choice Services would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank you" to the parishioners of Christ the Servant for participating in this year's Baby Bottles for Life fundraising campaign. As of June 26, 2014, Christ the Servant has raised \$1,365.27! Your generous donations have not only contributed to spreading the message of the Culture of Life within your community, but also truly reflected the universality of the Catholic Church by supporting an organization that serves the Chicago area. We greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you keep Woman's Choice Services in your prayers.

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, 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**



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.

Questions? Contact Jerry at StSDeaconJerry@aol.com.

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Janice Fowler

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 26

4:45 PM LaVergne Kozerski, Sp. Int,
r. Carolyn & Vern Reimer
Agapita Chiarellara, r. Jim McIlvain family

Sunday, July 27

8:30 AM Richard Buch, r. Richard & Leona Gordon
Theresa & Timothy, Jr. McIlvain
10:00 AM Ed & Madeline Jascewsky, 50th anniversary
John Mitchell, Jim & Maryann Gilroy

Monday, July 28

8:30 AM Larry Carroo, r. Barb Carroo

Tuesday, July 29

8:30 AM Jane Lehman, r. Jackie Nemeč

Wednesday, July 30

8:30 AM Jeanne Hotchkin, r. children

Thursday, July 31—Communion service

8:30 AM Pray for Jane Lehman

Friday, August 1

8:30 AM Dennis Boyle, r. Donna Mays

Saturday, August 2

4:45 PM Richard Buch, r. Jim & Lynn Kopp
Helen Kolodziej, r. Peslak family
Tom Ruff, r. Donna Mays

Sunday, August 3

8:30 AM Theresa & Timothy, Jr. McIlvain
Marie Peterek, Sp. Int, r. Ernie & Betty Peterek
Blanche Grimes, r. Dick & Gloria DuSatko
10:00 AM Carmen Valliere, Jim McIlvain family

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

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.

Learn Scripture with the Biblical Institute of the Diocese of Joliet: Two Sites Open to New Students!

The acclaimed *Biblical Institute of the Diocese of Joliet* is expanding this fall, opening a new site at St. Matthew Parish (in Glendale Heights) for Year 1- Old Testament Foundations. If you want to learn Scripture in a truly engaging manner, with a teacher and from a solidly Catholic perspective, the *Biblical Institute* promises you an enriching experience! For more information, go to: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/reo and click on *Biblical Institute*. Or call the diocesan Religious Education Office at 815-221-6147.

We pray for the Sick

Joe Becker	Hannah Jahn	Alie Phillips
Jim Blumberg	Joanne Keefe	Ron Rydzewski
Louise Boden	Barb Kosiek	Diane Sarosiek
Donna Ciolek	Peggy Laughlin	Lou Schiller
Jackie Ciombor	Sr. Suzanne Lesniewski	Elaine Thomas
Jeff Coole	Colleen McCoy	Maribeth Wall
Jim Danelski	Gene Mroz	
Holly Derrico	Thomas O'Donnell	

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 email corinne@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.**

We pray for the Deceased



Mark Thomas
(brother of Bob Thomas)

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.

Bible Readings—July 27-August 3

SUNDAY: 1 Kgs 3:5,7-12 / Rom 8:28-30 /
Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

MONDAY: Jer 13:1-11 / Mt 13:31-35

TUESDAY: Jer 14:17-22 / Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

WEDNESDAY: Jer 15:10,16-21 / Mt 13:44-46

THURSDAY: Jer 18:1-6 / Mt 13:47-53

FRIDAY: Jer 26:1-9 / Mt 13:54-58

SATURDAY: Jer 26:11-16,24 / Mt 14:1-12

SUNDAY: Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35,37-39 / Mt 14:13-21

Office Hours & Staff

**8700 Havens Drive
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)

Rosada Heintz, Parish Life

Jean Durran, Parish Life Co-Chair

Marybeth Nunzio, Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship



Calendar of Events

**Upendo Village Missionary
Blood Drive Signups**

Sunday, July 27

11:00 am—Manna orders due
11:30 am—Baptisms

Monday, July 28

Tuesday, July 29

Wednesday, July 30

Thursday, July 31

Friday, August 1

Pick up Manna orders

Saturday, August 2

Sunday, August 3

11:00 am—25th Anniversary Team

Upcoming Events

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 16/17: RF Ministry Fair & hospitality, after all masses

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

Aug 23/24: Cash4Food drive, emphasis on school supplies

Aug 27/28: Dates for photo sessions for photo directory just added! Not too late to sign up to get your free 8x10 and be part of the 25th Anniversary Directory! See article on page 3 of this bulletin.

Parish Giving

The second reading tells us we are called according to His purpose. Are we open to God's call and willing to answer?

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014

Parish Expenses	\$ 6,420.00
Mortgage Payment	3,350.00
Total Needed	\$ 10,170.00

CONTRIBUTIONS July 19/20

Sunday	\$ 5,437.05
13th Month	120.00
Debt Reduction	111.00
Total Contributed	\$ 5,668.05
This week's deficit	(\$ 4,501.95)

CONTRIBUTIONS to Charity:

Elec. Peter's Pence	20.00
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OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Elec. General Funds	\$ 1,530.00
Elec. Debt Reduction	270.00
.Debt to Diocese as of 6/30	\$655,502

Registered Households—728

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