

# Christ the Servant Catholic Church

*Living a Giving Life*

27th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

October 5, 2014

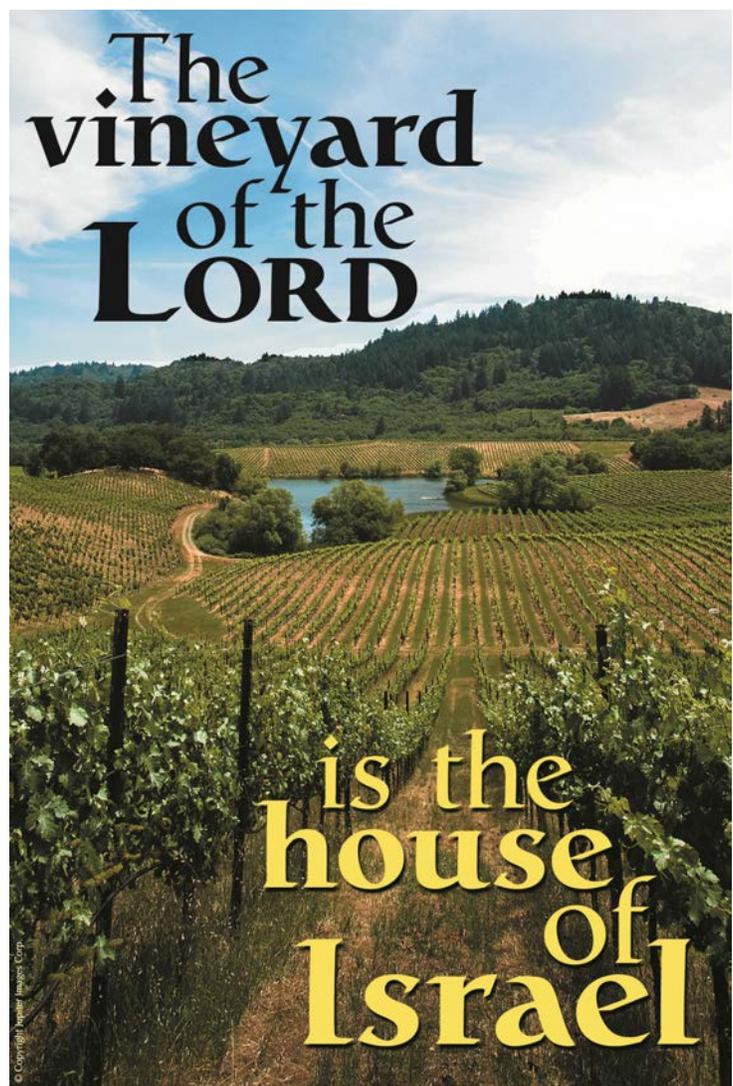
Respect Life Sunday

## ***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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**Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!**  
 "We cannot trust in our own strength, but only in Jesus and his mercy."



Dear Friends,

As we hear today's scripture readings, it's about producing fruit, good fruit, the fruit of the Spirit, especially the peace of God which surpasses all understanding.

In the midst of all the cares and concerns of family, work, and our world, if our lives are rooted and grounded in Christ, in a right relationship with God and each other, "then the God of peace will be with you" and guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Wow, what an antidote for the anxiety of our times! We almost can't slow down, we are caught up in such a rat race. Carl Jung said a long time ago, "the demon is speed," cut off at our roots, having no bearing or stability.

Our families are and can be a source of life, love, peace, and all the other fruits of the Spirit and good deeds that flow from them. The Family is rightly called the little church, where right relationships of love are nurtured and fostered producing the good fruit of the Spirit.

But we cannot take that for granted, we have to work at our relationships. As I said last week, relationships are demanding, they require sacrifice, but selfless sacrificial love is the school of perfection that produces life and love, well-being and peace. It is the most important thing we can give to each other and our children. We need to prioritize and insure "family time."

Today we live in a throw away culture, where life and love are cheap. We are prompted to live only for ourselves, not for others, where selfless sacrificial love, life, and the common good are little valued. We need to create and provide a counter culture for our children. Families can do that.

This is Respect Life Sunday, with a focus on Family. The best way to ensure and promote a healthy respect for life is in the family where the dignity of each person and the common good is fostered and protected. That takes an intentionality on the part of parents and our whole community. Let us recommit to it today!

We pray for the Lord of Life to produce good and wonderful fruit in your life and in that of your family! The Harvest master will rejoice heartily in our producing good fruit and bless you abundantly!

Fr. Joel

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATION DRIVE  
@ CHRIST THE SERVANT 10/18 & 10/19**

Happy Fall y'all!! The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in our parking lot the weekend of **October 18 & 19**. Our volunteers will be waiting for you at the truck to help you unload. Please have all your donations bagged or boxed. No hangers please.

**We will accept.....**

- **Clothing, shoes, linens and books** in good or bad condition. Unusable clothing, shoes, linens and even books generate income for the needy because they are sold for rags or in bulk. **We have a special need for winter coats, hats, boots, gloves, scarves, etc.**
- **Small housewares**--toasters, blenders, mixers, etc.
- **Electronics**-- The SVdP Thrift Shops are now electronic recycling centers! We can take small electronics and computers at clothing drive. **For larger item donations, please call for a home pick up. ONLY FLAT SCREEN TVS ACCEPTED.**

Your donations go to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shops where much of your donations are given away free to needy families in the community. Some are sold at reasonable prices at the thrift shops so that needy families can shop with dignity. "Proceeds" from the thrift shops go into a general assistance fund where St. Vincent de Paul Conferences at the churches help folks with rent, mortgage or utility assistance.

If you have any large items or furniture you would like to donate, you can call and schedule a pick up at your home at **630-231-4658**.

Thank you to everyone at Christ the Servant for your donations!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul



Sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet

**UNDY SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 18/19**

Most people take things like underwear for granted. At Catholic Charities, we have found that low-income families and seniors

living on poverty-level incomes do not spend money on underwear and they desperately need it.

Catholic Charities is proud to announce that the 12th Annual Undy Sunday will be held on October 18/19, 2014. Donations from Christ the Servant Parish last year were tremendous. This year we will be requesting Men's and boys boxers; size 2 & 3 diapers and size small/medium Depends for Women.

Last year, dozens of parishes, schools and organizations participated in the program. Donations from parishes throughout the diocese collected thousands of pairs of underwear and socks which were distributed to low-income children, families and seniors through our various locations in Kankakee, DuPage, and Will Counties. This year we are hoping for even more participation!

**HOPE'S FRONT DOOR HONORS COMMUNITY  
PARTNERS AT FUNDRAISING EVENT!**

Join us on Friday, October 24, 2014 to honor our pharmacy, dental and eye care providers at the **Stars of Hope: Honoring our Community Partners Event!** Held at **Carriage Green Country Club** in Darien, this fundraising event will highlight our partnering businesses that assist our clients with prescription needs, dental emergencies and eye-glasses. Dr. Bernie Ruesz, Dr. Barbara Webster, Dr. Darryl Weinstein, Doug Marks of Douglas Pharmacy, Westmont Pharmacy, Westmont Vision Center and Walgreen's will receive this year's Community Partner Key Award. Their commitment to HOPE'S FRONT DOOR's mission is exemplary and their willingness to meet with clients and provide assistance in their distress is admirable. We could not do our work without them!

This cocktail and hors d'oeuvres event will be held from 6:30 – 9:30pm. Tickets are \$100 per person and \$175 per couple. Savory appetizers and one cocktail will be included with the ticket price and a cash bar will be available. There will be a silent auction, cash raffle and wine pull along with lots of conversation and fun!

Please call 630-241-0187 for more information or to purchase tickets.



**THE PRINTERY HOUSE**  
*Christian greeting cards and gifts*

Catalogs are available to purchase beautiful Christian greeting cards and gifts and benefit Christ the Servant parish. If you prefer to order online, visit [www.printeryhouse.org](http://www.printeryhouse.org) and use Key Code: FP1401 when you order.

## Religious Formation



### As We Start the New Year

**Grades K-7** Sessions meet this  
**Tuesday and Wednesday**

### Confirmation

Classes:

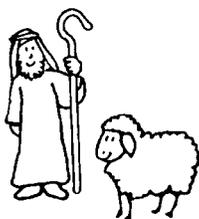
Session WedB - October 1<sup>st</sup>

Session SunA - October 5<sup>th</sup>

Session WedA - October 8<sup>th</sup>

Session SunB - October 12<sup>th</sup>

**Saints Retreat - Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:00-3:00pm**



If you have 1st grader, be sure to register your child for 2014-2015 Religious Formation to begin the two year preparation for receiving the Sacraments in 2nd grade. Registration forms are available in the Narthex and online. Please do not delay.



Diocese of Joliet - Religious Education Office  
**2014-2015 Catechist Initial Formation Day/  
Day of Renewal:**

A Spiritual & Practical Learning Experience

This experience is primarily for new or nearly new catechists for all age-groups – and any catechist who wants to refresh their sense of mission.

This program will be offered at Christ the Servant on Saturday October 11th from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please RSVP to Liz Jesse as soon as possible.



### 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.

Visit [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) for session listings in our area (select Joliet, IL (Diocese)) and to register. For more information contact Liz Jesse @ 910-0770 x12 or [liz@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:liz@ctswoodridge.org).

## Respect for All Life

### Each of Us is a Masterpiece of God's Creation

The Respect for All Life Committee represents the essence of Catholic teaching that ALL human life is sacred and precious to God, from conception throughout all the stages of life to natural death.



We respect persons:

- From conception to birth
- Throughout childhood
- With special needs
- During teen years
- Attending college/other training
- Serving in the military
- Choosing priesthood/religious life
- Who are single
- Who choose to marry
- Who raise a family
- Who are imprisoned
- Who are grandparents
- Who are senior years
- In their final days of life.

*God does not ask us to be successful—only faithful*

*submitted by Dave A*

### 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 on October 5th. 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. Call 630-910-0770 x12 or email [liz@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:liz@ctswoodridge.org)

Would you like to participate as a minister, but afraid that you would be assigned times that don't work for you?

Each minister/family has the opportunity to block out certain dates and times by completing an "Availability Sheet". This sheet lists the upcoming schedule, and gives you to opportunity to block out certain dates and times. You can also request to be scheduled only once per month, or once per schedule. Every minister helps! 630-910-0770.



**Next Weekend's MINISTERS**

|                               | Saturday<br>October 11<br><u>4:45 PM</u>             | Sunday<br>October 12<br><u>8:30 AM</u>             | Sunday<br>October 12<br><u>10:00 AM</u>          |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <b><u>ALTAR MIN:</u></b>      | M Family   | C Family   | Maria F<br>Donna M                               |
| <b><u>EXT. MINISTERS:</u></b> | Deacon F<br>Karen J<br>Steve J<br>Pat S<br>Darlene S | John C<br>Jose S<br>Melania S<br>Lee W<br>Andrea W | Patti C<br>Judy E<br>Joanne F<br>Dan R<br>Rita S |
| <b><u>LECTORS:</u></b>        | Ramon J<br>Bob C                                     | Rita W<br>Paula R                                  | Kristen M<br>Paul M                              |
| <b><u>HOST TEAMS:</u></b>     | D Family   | S Family<br>Marijane T                             | D Family   |



**Our Lady of Fatima  
Public Square Rosary Crusade**

All are invited to join the 2014 Public Square Rosary Crusade. As we all know, the United States is in great need of prayer, repentance and conversion. We must ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on October 11, 2014 at 12:00 noon, here at the Christ the Servant parking lot. For further information, contact Marjorie C.

*Sacramental Information*

**rites 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? Talk with Fr. Joel or email Fr. Burke Masters at frburke23@aol.com.

**RECONCILIATION** Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or at parish reconciliation services during Advent and Lent, or by appointment with Fr. Joel.

**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 the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

**Baptism Preparation Class:  
Thursday, October 9, 7:00-8:00 PM**

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month  
Domestic Violence shatters families.**

It is often very difficult for victims to identify themselves as "battered".

Domestic abuse victims deserve the help and support of people who understand the reality of all kinds of abuse.

During October, you are encouraged to make the awareness of domestic abuse a priority. The Archdiocese of Chicago has information about the mission and resources of the Archdiocesan Domestic Abuse Outreach program at [www.archdiocesechicago.org](http://www.archdiocesechicago.org). Click on ARCHDIOCESAN RESOURCES box at the lower right, and select Domestic Violence Committee. **If you are a victim or survivor of domestic abuse seeking help:** National Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 or 1-800-787-3224 (TDD). State of Illinois Helpline: 1-877-863-6338.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### TABERNACLE LIGHT

Mark Bosacki

### MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, October 4

4:45 PM Fr. Frank K. Vitus, *r. Lucille Miller*  
Milagros Floro Calupe, *r. Nenita & Rosario Luyun*  
People of the Parish

#### Sunday, October 5

8:30 AM Helen & William Kolodziej, *r. Peslak family*  
Harriet Madey, *r. Marge Buch*  
10:00 AM Maltese family, *r. family*  
Denis O'Connell, *r. Schmitz family*  
Evelyn Rose Cermak, *r. Vic & Sylvia Cordes*

#### Monday, October 6

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Tuesday, October 7

8:30 AM Fr. Frank K. Vitus, *r. Brian & Deb Kocsis*

#### Wednesday, October 8

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Thursday, October 9

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Friday, October 10—Communion Service

8:30 AM

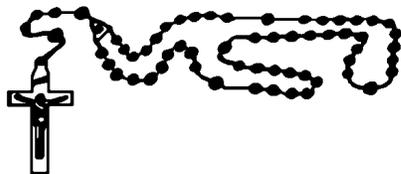
#### Saturday, October 11

4:45 PM Dennis Boyle, *r. Barb Boyle*  
Tom Ruff, *r. Donna Mays*  
Louise McDonald, *r. Mike & Mary Ellen Vrankin*

#### Sunday, October 12

8:30 AM Alphonse J. Dyokas, *r. Arlene Klus*  
People of the Parish  
10:00 AM Joan English

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



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### October is the month of the Holy Rosary

There are blessed rosaries on the display table in the Narthex. Please choose your favorite color with either English or Spanish prayer cards. You are most welcome to also take rosaries for all your family members and friends. Compliments of Divine Savior's Legion of Mary.

You are invited to join in saying the rosary either at 8:10 prior to daily mass, or if more convenient please join in saying the rosary after mass.

## We pray for the Sick

|                |                  |                   |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Nicholas Allen | Paul Hassman     | Roy Randich       |
| Louise Boden   | Brian Jackson    | Tammy Riesland    |
| Ed Chuchla     | Hannah Jahn      | Ron Rydzewski     |
| Jeff Coole     | Mike Joyce       | Elaine Thomas     |
| Carol Cottone  | Betty Kozlowski  | Ron Trzos         |
| Jim Danelski   | Peggy Laughlin   | Duane Tutaj       |
| Holly Derrico  | Dee Moy          | Maribeth Wall     |
| Bob Epstein    | Gene Mroz        | Fr. Edward Whelan |
| Karen Fialek   | Thomas O'Donnell |                   |
| Robert Gamble  | Greg O'Leary     |                   |
| Jerry Hassman  | Alie Phillips    |                   |

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](mailto:corinne@ctswoodridge.org). Thank you.

## We pray for those who Serve

**Christopher Durkovic**, grandson of Joan Kurtz  
**Eric Graslie**, cousin of Pauline Ryan  
**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.

Keep praying for a respect for life in all stages.

## Bible Readings—Oct. 5-Oct. 12

**SUNDAY:** Is 5:1-7 / Phil 4:6-9 / Mt 21:33-43  
**MONDAY:** Gal 1:6-12 / Lk 10:25-37  
**TUESDAY:** Gal 1:13-24 / Lk 10:38-42  
**WEDNESDAY:** Gal 2:1-2,7-14 / Lk 11:1-4  
**THURSDAY:** Gal 3:1-5 / Lk 11:5-13  
**FRIDAY:** Gal 3:7-14 / Lk 11:15-26  
**SATURDAY:** Gal 3:22-29 / Lk 11:27-28  
**SUNDAY:** Is 25:i6-10a / Phil 4:12-14,19-20 /  
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

*Office Hours & Staff*

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[www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org)**

**Office Hours**

Monday—Friday.....9:00 AM—4:30 PM

**Mass Schedule**

Monday through Thursday.....8:30 AM

Friday Communion Service.....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 or by appointment

**Pastoral Staff**

**Fr. Joel Fortier**, Administrator Ext. 15  
jfortier@ctswoodridge.org

**Fr. Kevin Spiess**, Weekend Assistant

**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**

**Barb Kosiek**, Pastoral Council

**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

**Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!**  
[www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org](http://www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org)  
"Like" us!

*Calendar of Events*

**Sunday, October 5**

8:30 am—Confirmation Class A

10:00 am—Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:15 am—25th Anniversary Team

**Monday, October 6**

**Tuesday, October 7**

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes K-4

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes 4-7

**Wednesday, October 8**

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes 1-5

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes 3,5-7

6:30-8:00 pm—Confirmation Class A

**Thursday, October 9**

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, October 10**

6:30 pm—Wedding Rehearsal

**K of C Membership Drive**

**Saturday, October 11**

9:00 am—Catechist Initial Formation

12:00 noon—Fatima Rosary

2:00 pm—Wedding

**Sunday, October 12**

8:30 am—Confirmation Class B

10:00 am—Children's Liturgy of the Word

*Upcoming Events*

**Oct. 11:** noon; Fatima Rosary in the parking lot

**Oct. 18/19:** St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive AND Undy Sunday

**Nov. 2:** 11:00 am; Manna orders due

**Nov. 8:** 9-12; Electronic Recycling

*Parish Giving*

In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers; but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014**

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

**CONTRIBUTIONS Sept 27/28:**

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Sunday                   | \$ 5,194.51        |
| Debt Reduction           | 182.00             |
| <b>Total Contributed</b> | <b>\$ 5,376.51</b> |
| This week's deficit      | \$ (4,793.49)      |

**OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:**

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Christ is Our Hope         | \$ 291.00 |
| Debt to Diocese as of 8/31 | \$630,988 |
| Registered Households—737  |           |

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**Did you know...** The monks of Marmion Abbey (850 Butterfield Rd, Aurora) have an annual **Pumpkin Daze & Store** fundraiser, through October 28. Visit [www.abbeyfarms.org](http://www.abbeyfarms.org) for the list of family friendly attractions and prices.

**Leave a Legacy.** Did you know you can make a temporary gift to our parish or diocese? A charitable lead trust lets you lend your assets for a while before they return to you or your beneficiary. Call the Development Office at 815-221-6100.

To donate stocks, visit [www.dioceseofjoliet.org](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org) and click on "Donate", then click on Stock Donations for details on the process.

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