

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

30th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

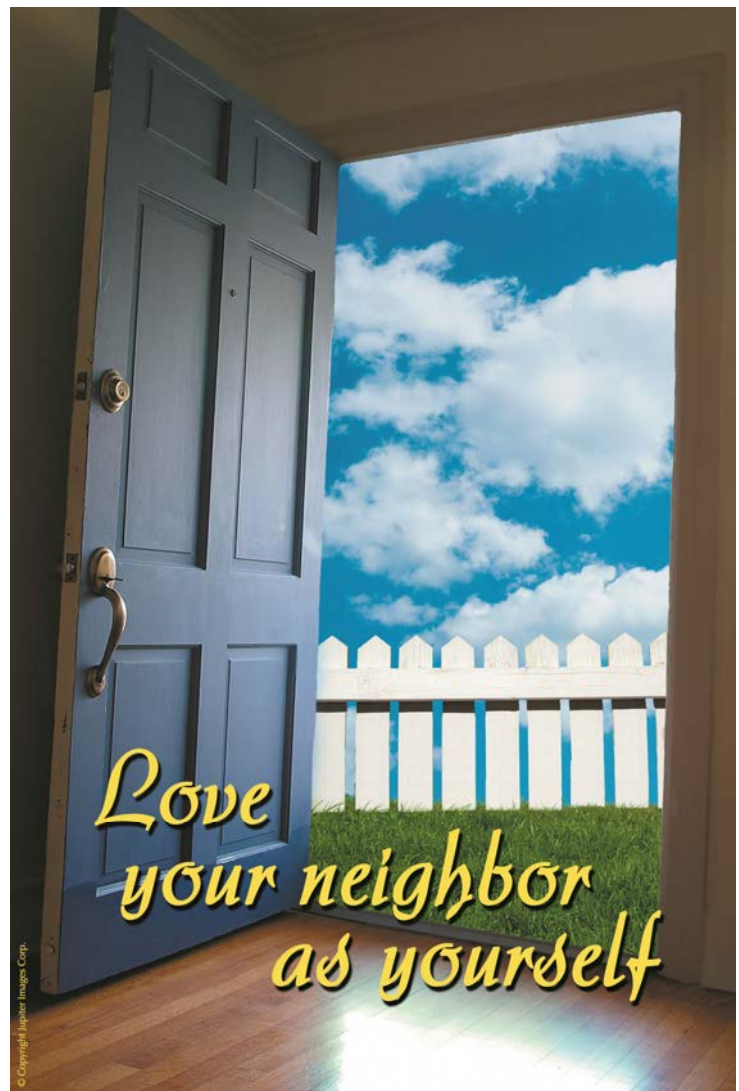
October 26, 2014

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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Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!
 Mary, give us the grace of being joyful as we walk in the freedom of the children of God.

Dear friends,

It takes love to know love. Our God is hopelessly, helplessly, in love with us, because that's who God is. God can't do or be other than who God is; God is love! And I don't think we can know anything of that unless we have in some way fallen in love ourselves. It takes love to know love.

Jesus tells us in the gospel today that the greatest command is to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and mind, and to love each other as ourselves. Love is a whole-hearted kind of thing. Love requires the assent of the whole person. You can't know love unless you love.

That's why the joy of living a giving life is so joyful, it's a whole hearted kind of thing. Love sets us free. Living a giving life sets us free from our own selfish, self centered, small minded, groveling selves. We become effusive, generous people when we love. That's the joy of living a giving life!

That's where the joy of life comes from, not just by getting, but by giving. We know, "it's better to give than to receive," and, "The Lord loves a cheerful giver." Of course! That's what it's all about in life. People who seek power and control are not happy people. It is simply not the way to happiness. "Where there is love, there is no will to power." It has to be the way of the cross.

Our stewardship renewal program can help us learn that lesson. It is one of the disciplines of our faith that can set us free and help us grow spiritually, and discover divine joy in our lives!

Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved you" (think crucifixion) and then he says, "I tell you this so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete!" *Jn 15:11-12.*

We commend to you: "The joy of living a giving life!" It is a spiritual program, a program that can help lead you to freedom, transformation, and personal growth. May God Bless you and Christ the Servant Faith Community abundantly!

In Christ's love,



Fr. Joel



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Living a Giving Life



GIVE
Blood

**Blood Drive
Mark your
Calendar for
November 1
from 8-noon.**

Heartland Blood Centers serve 59 hospitals, including VA hospitals. There is a real need for blood donations!

Donors can sign up in the narthex or online at https://ht.heartlandbc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/2025934

We know that not everyone is able to donate blood, but you might be able to donate an hour or two of time to help out at the Blood Drive by volunteering to greet people as they arrive, and help serve snacks and beverages to donors. Helper volunteers are invited to call Kathy V.

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month
How to Protect Yourself at Home**

- Memorize emergency phone numbers (Family Shelter Service 24-Hour Hotline at 630-469-5650), or program them into your cell phone
- Keep a phone in a room you can lock from the inside (or always carry your cell phone)
- If the abuser has moved out, change the lock on your door; get locks on the windows
- Plan an escape route out of your home; teach it to your children
- Think about where you would go if you need to escape
- Ask your neighbors to call the police if they see the abuser at your house; make a signal for them to call the police, for example, if the phone rings twice or a shade is pulled down
- Pack a bag with important things you'd need if you had to leave quickly; put it in a safe place, or give it to a friend or relative you trust
- Include cash, car keys and copies of important information such as: court papers, passport or birth certificates, medical records and medicines, immigration papers
- Get an unlisted phone number and block caller ID
- Use an answering machine; screen the calls
- Take a good self-defense course

If you or a friend feel you may be in an abusive or damaging relationship, help is available.

National Hotline: 1-800-799 SAFE (7233)

Local: Family Shelter Service HOTLINE: 1-(630) 469-5650



Manna orders due next week at 11:00 am!

As the scripture readings encourage us to "be prepared", we can prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas shopping for both our families and for our neighbors in need by ordering Manna gift cards. The cards are an identity-theft-proof way of shopping, and the parish benefits as well. Stock up now! Order forms are in the narthex. Call Bill C or email manna@ctswoodridge.org for information.

**Mark your Calendars for the
Fair Trade Fair
Before and after masses
November 15/16**



Fair Trade goods are just that. Fair. From far-away farms to your shopping cart, products that bear our logo come from farmers and workers who are justly compensated. We help farmers in developing countries build sustainable businesses that positively influence their communities. With Fair Trade USA, the money you spend on day-to-day goods can improve an entire community's day-to-day lives.

FLAVORS OF FALL

A Toast to 25 Years



**Save the Date!!!!
November 21st, 2014**

6:30 pm to 10:30 pm

Music, wine & beer tastings, cash bar. We are looking for donations of fall-inspired foods. Flavor examples: popcorn, apples, pumpkin, cranberry, etc.

Sign up on the board in the narthex.

Tickets on sale now! Call Lainie G

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 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.

Religious Formation



Grades K-7 Sessions meet this
Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation

**Service Project - Thanksgiving Food Scavenger
Hunt - Sunday November 2nd 1-3 pm**
Permission slip is required

Classes:

Session SunA - November 9th
Session WedA - November 12th
Session SunB - November 16th
Session WedB - November 19th



Parent and Child 1st Reconciliation Retreat
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 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.

One parent needs to attend along with the child
preparing to celebrate the sacrament of
Reconciliation.

F.A.C.T. (Grades 6-8) Service Opportunity

Sunday November 9th from 11:30am to 1:00pm

We will assemble a **GIVING
TREE** to help collect children's
hats, mittens and gloves for
Hope's Front Door. This can be
one of your service opportunities
for Grades 6 & 7.



Christ the Servant families will be asked to dress
the Giving Tree with donations of new hats,
mittens & gloves for children. Monetary
donations will also be welcome.

CASH 4 FOOD!

Saturday & Sunday, November 1 & 2

CTS's Fall "Cash For Food" Drive seeks donations
of **HOUSEHOLD PAPER GOODS** in addition to
CASH DONATIONS to help the West Suburban
Community Food Pantry.

Paper Towels, "Kleenex", Toilet tissue, Napkins,
Wet Wipes—Essential items which WSCFP cannot
purchase. Food items are also very welcome.

Drop off your Paper Goods and Food donations in
the **Parking Lot before each Mass**. A CASH for
FOOD Donation Box is available for cash & checks
in the Narthex. Please make checks payable to :

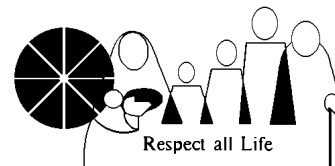
West Suburban Community Food Pantry.

*Thank you! The needs of those less fortunate than
ourselves are just like our needs.*

Respect for All Life

Pope Francis: "Value the Elderly"

Previously, we mentioned
Ezekiel Emanuel's article
"Why I Hope to Die at 75."
He stated: "Living too long
transforms how people
relate to us...and remem-
ber us. We are no longer
remembered as vibrant and engaged, but as feeble,
ineffectual, even pathetic." On Sept. 28, in St. Peter's
Square, Pope Francis addressed the 40,000 grand-
parents, retired men and women, and their families
who attended *The Blessing for a Long Life* event.
"The wisdom and the love of older people are
instrumental for building the future, and they even
cheer up grumpy teens. Older people, grandparents
have an ability to understand very difficult situations,
a great talent. And when they pray about these
situations, their prayers are strong and powerful." But
there are many who instead prey on their fragilities,
and the pope warned against the inhuman violence
being waged against the elderly and children.
"People need to fight against the poisonous throw-
away culture, which targets children, young people,
and the elderly, on the pretext of keeping the
economic system balanced, where the focus is NOT
on the human being, but on the god of money."



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~Pope Francis: *Greed, Throwaway Culture Fuels
Hidden Euthanasia of Elderly Today,*
Catholic New World, Oct 5-18.

"Honor your father and mother, that you may have a long life in
the land which the Lord your God is giving you." Exodus 20:12

submitted by Dave A

Do you have what it takes to be a liturgical minister? They all require a reverent attitude. Some ministries can be done by a family with small children, while other ministries require a clear speaking voice, or having received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Ministers are asked to arrive early—10-20 minutes before mass depending on which ministry. Do you feel called to serve at mass? Every minister helps! Talk with Fr. Joel if interested, by calling 630-910-0770.



ALTAR MIN:

EXT. MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

HOST TEAMS:

Saturday
November 1
4:45 PM

M Family

Patti C
Karen J
Steve J
Marylou R
Annie T

Bob C
Jim N

Donna M
Shirley W

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
November 2
8:30 AM

C Family

John C
Cindy F
Barb K
Lee W
Andrea W

Paula R
Joe C

S Family
Marijane T

Sunday
November 2
10:00 AM

W Family

Deacon A
Maria F
Ed J
Madeline J
Ramon J

Judy E
Joe T

V Family

Go Green!

The next **Electronic Recycling Event** is Saturday, November 8, from 9 to noon. This is no longer a money making event for the **Green Team**. Electronic recycling has become more difficult than originally anticipated and state funding for electronic recycling has been cut back. The **Green Team** has to pay \$100 for the recycling truck and we will be charged for each TV and CRT, by pound.

Please bring all your electronics, but the Green Team will be charging 20 cents a pound for televisions and CRTs. Any additional donations to defray the cost of this event will be appreciated.

We will also be collecting coats for **St. Vincent DePaul Society** at the event.

Thank you, The **Green Team**

Over 55 Ladies Club

Ladies Lunch Out

Tuesday, October 28, 1:00 PM at



708 Janes Ave, Bolingbrook

*Call Mildred
or Mary at*

New members welcome!

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, November 13, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Dennis Boyle

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 25

4:45 PM Marie Magee, *r. Donna Mays*
Alphonse J. Dyokas, *r. Teresa Libera*
James Adduci, *Mike & Mary Ellen Vrankin*
People of the Parish

Sunday, October 26

8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate,
150 years of ministry, *r. Dolores Dean,*
Alie Phillips & Marcia VanNatta

Monday, October 27

8:30 AM Rev. Marion Soprych and Patricia Ryband,
r. Dan & Janet Szymanski

Tuesday, October 28

8:30 AM Kathleen Beckerman, *r. Rita Wyman*

Wednesday, October 29

8:30 AM Helen Farrer

Thursday, October 30

8:30 AM Darlan Finan, *r. Dave & Ginny Anderson*

Friday, October 31— Communion Service

8:30 AM pray for Marge Steller

Saturday, November 1—Time Change tonight

4:45 PM Adeline Bara, *r. Bruce & Sharon Sayre*
Agapita Chiarella, *r. Donna Mays*
Dan & Janet Szymanski, *50th wedding anniversary*

Sunday, November 2—Central Standard Time

8:30 AM All Souls
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Reda family, *r. Maltese Family*
Fr. John Barrett, *r. Corinne Hanson*
Marge Steller, *r. Mike & Rose Steller*

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

We pray for the Newly Baptized



Rachael Hope
(daughter of Michael & Gabrielle C)

October 19, 2014

There will be a Holy Hour for Life on Thursday, October 30, at 7:00 pm in the Chapel at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Included are exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, and recitation of the Holy Rosary.

We pray for the Sick

Nicholas Allen	Karen Fialek	Thomas O'Donnell
Louise Boden	Robert Gamble	Greg O'Leary
Salvatore Campagna	Jerry Hassman	Alie Phillips
Ed Chuchla	Paul Hassman	Tammy Riesland
Helen Ciolek	Hannah Jahn	Ron Rydzewski
Jeff Coole	Mike Joyce	Jewel Sippel
Carol Cottone	Peggy Laughlin	Elaine Thomas
Holly Derrico	Pat Mcleij	Duane Tutaj
Bob Epstein	Dee Moy	Fr. Edward Whelan
Betty Fencil	Gene Mroz	

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



Susan Olson
(daughter of Walter & Carole Olson)

We pray for those who Serve

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Eric Graslie, cousin of Pauline Ryan
David Jackson, son of Cathleen Jackson
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—Oct. 26-Nov. 2

SUNDAY: Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40

MONDAY: Eph 4:32-5:8 / Lk 13:10-17

TUESDAY: Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16

WEDNESDAY: Eph 6:1-9 / Lk 13:22-30

THURSDAY: Eph 6:10-20 / Lk 13:31-35

FRIDAY: Phil 1:1-11 / Lk 14:1-6

SATURDAY: Rv 7:2-4,9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12a

SUNDAY: Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9 / Jn 6:37-40

Office Hours & Staff

**8700 Havens Drive
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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

Debi Savage, Pastoral Council 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

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has
a Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org

"Like" us!

Calendar of Events

Admin/Finance Ministry Fair

Sunday, October 26

Monday, October 27

6:30 pm—1st Reconciliation Retreat

7:00 pm—Parish Pastoral Council

Tuesday, October 28

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes K-4

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes 4-7

Wednesday, October 29

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes 1-5

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes 3,5-7

Thursday, October 30

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 31

Saturday, November 1

NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year

Sunday, November 2

11:00 am—Manna orders due

11:30 am—Baptism

1:00 pm—Confirmation Scavenger

Hunt

Upcoming Events

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

Nov. 8: 9-12; Electronic Recycling

Nov. 21: Flavors of Fall—A Toast to 25
Years (holiday party)

Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Dinners drop off
with client pickup

Nov. 27: 9:00 am; Thanksgiving Mass.
Collection donated to Hope's Front Door
ministry to those in need.

Parish Giving

We fulfill the commandment to love our neighbor when we exercise good stewardship – joyfully sharing our gifts of life, abilities, and resources to meet our neighbor's need.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2013-2014

Parish Expenses \$ 6,420.00

Mortgage Payment 3,350.00

Total Needed **\$ 10,170.00**

CONTRIBUTIONS Oct 18/19:

Sunday \$ 6,061.72

Debt Reduction 340.00

Total Contributed **\$ 6,401.72**

This week's deficit \$ (3,768.28)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Christ is Our Hope \$ 13.00

Mission Sunday \$ 525.00

Debt to Diocese as of 9/30 \$618,978

Registered Households—737

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know... Christ the Servant Parish will serve at the PADS shelter in Clarendon Hills on November 29th. Helpers are needed to provide food, help set up, stay overnight, help cleanup, and help do laundry afterwards. Flyers with information are in the narthex. Can you help? To say yes, or to get more information, call Greg P.

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.

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