

# Christ the Servant Catholic Church

*The Joy of Living a Giving Life*

5th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

February 8, 2015

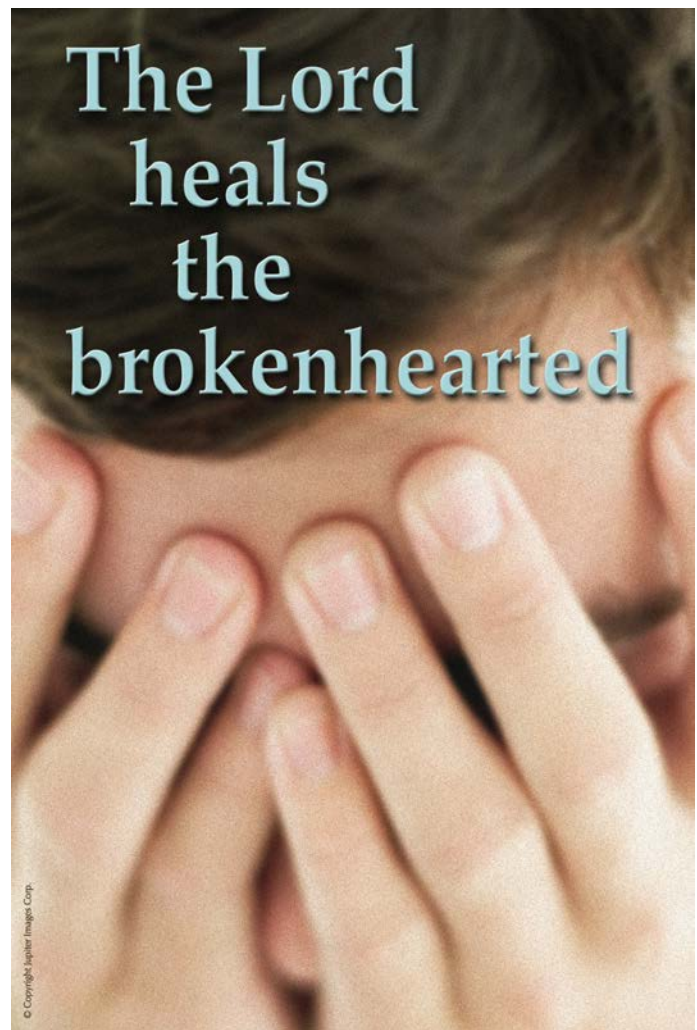
## ***Our Mission***

***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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*The deadline for bulletin articles for the March 1 & 8 bulletins is February 16.*



*Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home*

**Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!**  
 Jesus came to save us; let us not reject this marvelous gift.

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Dear Friends,

Jesus proclaims the gospel of God to people, which literally means the "good news" of God. Jesus speaks to our need and enters into the drudgery and pain of our lives which Job expresses in the first reading, and the suffering we see in the lives of the people Jesus heals.

That is what he came for, he tells his disciples as they come looking for him while he is in prayer. Jesus recharges his battery through prayer in order to serve. That is exactly what we need to do, to be centered, rooted, and grounded in God, the author and source of all life. Then we will have the energy to live and serve as Jesus did. Relying on just our own energy, we burn out.

We see a very clear example of that in the healing of Peter's mother in law. She is sick with a fever, Jesus takes her hand and raises her up, restoring her to health and happiness. She immediately begins to serve and wait on them!

That is the ideal outcome of Jesus' work, healing that creates servant-minded disciples. The gospel of God really is good news for us. It effectively, and affectively, transforms our lives into lives of selfless love and service. It transforms the drudgery and pain of our lives into something glorious!

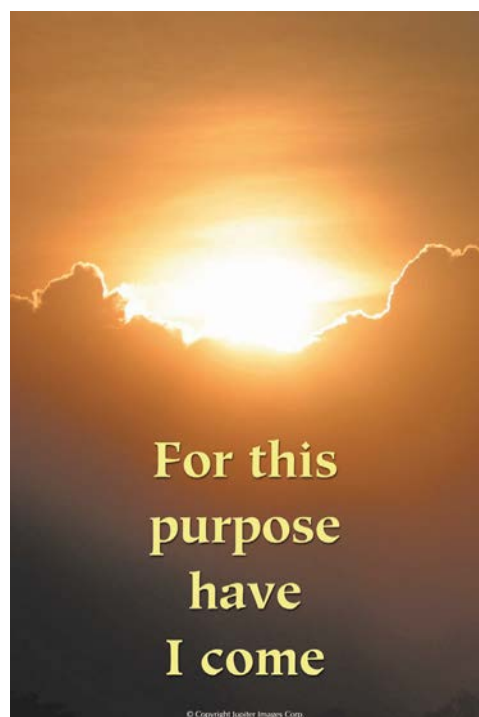
We become more like God, in the image of whom we are created. And isn't that wonderful; God's plan of creation is at work in us! Our lives have meaning and purpose, even arising out of our pain and suffering. We become more compassionate and caring people because of it. Who hasn't become more sympathetic and empathic with the pain of others because of our own?

It is one way of "offering it up" as they used to tell us. It is salvific to be in solidarity with the passion and suffering of Christ, which is our own. He has made it so by his incarnation, passion, death and resurrection! Christ is one with us. It is what he came for! Embrace it today!

United with you in the love of Christ,



Fr. Joel





Christ the Servant Parish  
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**Today (Feb. 8) is the absolute last chance to get your tickets to the dinner dance next Friday! The final payment goes to the restaurant on Monday morning.**

**Dinner Dance and  
Grand Raffle (grand prize \$1000)  
February 13, 2015:  
6:00-11:00 pm  
Alpine Banquets  
(8230 Cass Ave, Darien)**

Questions? Call Denice K.

### CURSILLO

The Cursillo Movement is a movement in the Catholic Church to strengthen your faith. The name Cursillo is a Spanish word meaning a short course in Christianity, and is associated with a 3 day weekend. The next weekend for men is Feb. 26-Mar. 1. The next weekend for women is March 19-22.



If you are looking to grow to a higher level spiritually, this weekend will change your life. No one can fully explain how God touches each person in His special unique way, but He will. Lee Wirth says, "I made my weekend 19 years ago and gained a deeper understanding of what it means to be fully Catholic, by being fully Christian." Please contact Lee W, Cindy F or Rita S for specific information about the upcoming Cursillo weekends. Thank you!

### 2015 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Please Make a Generous Gift – Consider Pledging

This week, you are asked to review the 2015 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) materials that you will receive with your bulletin today. The CMAA is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a pledge and pay it in 10 payments.

A significant gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of our Diocese of Joliet. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Diocese of Joliet is no exception.

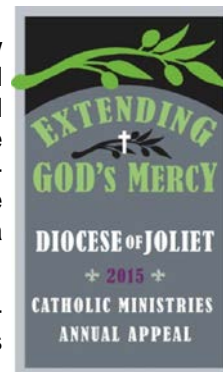
As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the CMAA, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the diocese, and to the work of the church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you. God extends His mercy to us each day, and you can be a part of "Extending God's Mercy" to others through the CMAA.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our diocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference, because all parishes participate in the campaign, and the gifts of many enable our diocese to deliver needed education, ministry, and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our diocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our Commitment/In-Pew Weekend process at all Masses next weekend.

After our parish exceeds its CMAA goal of \$34,013 in paid pledges, 65% of any additional funds are returned for use in our parish.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.



### Go Green!

Cold and Snow! So, what did you expect in the winter in northern Illinois?

This is a great time to hibernate, catch up on television shows and clean out closets and basements. Remember to recycle/reuse all that you can. The West Suburban Food Pantry can use cold weather gear, especially large size adult winter coats. For other usable items consider donating to a resale shop that benefits hospital programs or battered women and children.

Save unusable electronics for the CTS **Electronic Recycling Event** in May. The **Green Team** is still collecting **Christmas Tree Lights** through mid-February. **The Green Team**

*Religious Formation*



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

**Confirmation**

Classes:

- Session SunB - February 8th
- Session WedB - February 11th
- Session SunA - March 1st
- Session WedA - March 4th



(Have you turned in your Saint Paper, Sacramental Info Form and Sponsor Form? If you have any make-ups due...now is the time!)

DuPage Catechists' Institute 2015  
**"Go Make a Difference!"**



*with*  
**Steve Angrisano**  
*Musician, composer,  
youth minister, storyteller,  
inspirational speaker*

**Save the date: Feb. 25, 2015**  
For all catechists in the DuPage deaneries  
Hosted at St. Petronille's, Glen Ellyn  
6:00-9:00 p.m. (dinner included)  
**Catechists: Please RSVP to Liz Jesse by February 18th.**

**BOOK STUDY GROUP**  
**How well do you know JESUS?**

Join us as we deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ through Fr. Robert Barron's new DVD-based Study Program: *Priest, Prophet, King*.  
Join us for a series of six video presentations by Fr. Robert Barron. We will meet at 11:15am-12:45pm on these Sundays: Feb 8, Feb 15, Feb 22, Mar 1, 2015.  
Contact Liz Jesse for more information or to RSVP.

**F.A.C.T. Chocolate Sale this weekend!**  
**Families with Active Catholic Teens**  
**6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders**

Buy chocolate for your Valentine & support our Youth Activities.



**Service Opportunities:**

Please contact Liz Jesse  
[liz@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:liz@ctswoodridge.org) if you would like to serve our faith community as we celebrate these Lenten traditions:

**Wednesday February 18th**  
4:30pm - Ash Wednesday Prayer Service  
Readers needed.



**Friday April 3rd**  
7:00pm - Living Stations of the Cross  
Teen Leaders needed.



**Parent and Child 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Retreat**  
**Saturday, February 21st, 10am – 11:30am**

Families with children that will be celebrating First Eucharist this year.

Come spend some special time with your child preparing to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist. Look and listen through the eyes and ears of a child. Update your knowledge of the guidelines and rituals and deepen your understanding of the sacrament.

One parent needs to attend along with the student preparing to celebrate the sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist.



Do you feel like the same people are serving all the time, and want to do something about it? Host Teams are trained by Greg F—you don't have to be an entire family to be able to serve, if you are just one person, we can pair you up with another one or two person team. Same goes for Ministers of the Altar, trained by Bill & Donna C. Lectors, trained by Debi S, have clear diction and a book to practice from. Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are trained by Alie P and Deacon Tom. We are in need of more ministers. Be the change you want to see. Call the church office.



**ALTAR MIN:**

**EXT. MINISTERS:**

**LECTORS:**

**HOST TEAMS:**

Saturday  
February 14  
4:45 PM

K Family

Marlene B  
Deb G  
Mary K  
Donna M  
Darlene S

Vince D  
Jerry F

M Family

**Next Weekend's MINISTERS**

Sunday  
February 15  
8:30 AM

C Family

John C  
Cindy F  
Mathew M  
Lee W  
Andrea W

Paula R  
Marjorie C

S Family  
Marijane T

Sunday  
February 15  
10:00 AM

W Family

Maria F  
Deacon F  
Joanne F  
Ed J  
Madeline J

Kristen M  
Paul M

A Family

*Respect for All Life*

**Human/Sex Trafficking**

Several statements from *January 31st Speak Out, Illinois 2015* conference breakout workshop: "Sex Trafficking—Recognizing It and Doing Something About It."



- "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way it treats its children." - Nelson Mandela
- The grim reality of human trafficking: 800,000 persons trafficked in international borders each year; 1 million are exploited through global sex trade; 50% are children; 80% are girls/women.
- Who could have imagined a modern civilization permitting coerced contraception, compulsory abortion, sterilization, and widespread infanticide?
- More children have been killed in the last 100 years than in the entire history of humanity.
- Chicago ranks 10th in the world for human/sex trafficking.
- Yet, Chicago has only one victims' safe house—with 8 beds!
- "We are born into this world with sealed orders from God. I suggest yours—like mine—read: Save Children."

~ Elizabeth Yore, Int'l Child Advocacy Consultant

submitted by Dave A

*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, March 12, 7:00-8:00 PM**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### TABERNACLE LIGHT

Joseph Wojtowicz

### MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, February 7

4:45 PM Agapita Chiarella, *r. Donna Mays*  
Fr. Frank K. Vitus, *r. Donna Mays*  
John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*  
Gerald Johnson, *r. family*

#### Sunday, February 8

8:30 AM Fr. Frank K. Vitus, *r. Ciolek family*  
10:00 AM Francine Martinek, *r. Helene Peslak*  
Dave Sevening, *r. Bob & Corinne Hanson*

#### Monday, February 9

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Tuesday, February 10

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Wednesday, February 11

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Thursday, February 12

8:30 AM Cindy Giannini, *r. Lee Farbotko*

#### Friday, February 13—Communion Service

#### Saturday, February 14

4:45 PM Walter Kozlowski  
RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*

#### Sunday, February 15

8:30 AM Marie Peterek, *r. Kim Wilson*  
10:00 AM Sophie Czajka, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*

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

## Bible Readings—Feb. 8-Feb. 15

For easy internet access to the daily readings, visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org), and click on the calendar on the right side of the page. You can even subscribe to have the readings sent to you via email each day. Just scroll to the bottom of the readings page if you wish to subscribe.

**SUNDAY:** Jb 7:1-4,6-7 / 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23 / Mk 1:29-39

**MONDAY:** Gn 1:1-19 / Mk 6:53-56

**TUESDAY:** Gn 1:20-2:4a / Mk 7:1-13

**WEDNESDAY:** Gn 2:4b-9,15-17 / Mk 7:14-23

**THURSDAY:** Gn 2:18-25 / Mk 7:24-30

**FRIDAY:** Gn 3:1-8 / Mk 7:31-37

**SATURDAY:** Gn 3:9-24 / Mk 8:1-10

**SUNDAY:** Lv 13:1-2,44-46 / 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 / Mk 1:40-45

## We pray for the Sick

Judy Bernard	Thomas O'Donnell	Jason Smith
Louise Boden	Greg Peck	Elaine Thomas
Prudy Boen	Richard Peslak	Martha Tracey
Jeff Coole	Alie Phillips	Maribeth Wall
Holly Derrico	Mary Phillips	Joe Zapalac
Jenna Gardner	Pauline Popek	
Hannah Jahn	Valentin Quejadas	
Peggy Laughlin	Marcia Robinson	
Hertasene Murray	Ron Rydzewski	

*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 the Deceased



**Joann Letmanski**  
*(relative of Deacon Tom Fricke)*

**Kimberly Campbell**

**Marilyn Russo**  
*(niece of Laverne Trembacz)*

## 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.*

### **Why Catholic Education?**

Wednesday, February 11, 2015 7-8 pm  
Our Lady of Peace School Gym

David Spesia will speak at an evening of enlightening discussion on the benefits of sending children to a Catholic school. He serves the Diocese of Joliet in the area of Evangelization and Catechesis.

**This event is free and open to the general public**  
<http://olopschool.org>

*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

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

*Calendar of Events*

**F.A.C.T. Candy Sale**

**Sunday, February 8**

8:30 am—Confirmation Class B

10:00 am—CLOW

11:15 am—Adult Faith Formation;  
Priest, Prophet & King

**Monday, February 9**

7:00 pm—Religious Formation Comm.

7:00 pm—Parish Life Commission

**Tuesday, February 10**

9:15 am—Respect for Life (offsite)

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes K-4

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes 4-7

**Wednesday, February 11**

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 B

**Thursday, February 12**

5:30 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Knights of Columbus Comm

**Friday, February 13**

6:00 pm—Doors open for Dinner  
Dance at Alpine Banquet.

**Saturday, February 14**

**Sunday, February 15**

10:00 am—CLOW

11:15 am—Adult Faith Formation;  
Priest, Prophet & King

11:30 am—Baptisms

*Upcoming Events*

**Feb. 18:** Ash Wednesday, 8:30 am mass,  
4:30 pm Prayer Service, 7:00 pm mass.

**Fridays During Lent:** 7:00 pm, Stations  
of the Cross

*Parish Giving*

Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, "I do all that I do for the sake of the Gospel in the hope of having a share in its blessings."

**NEEDED WEEKLY: 2014-2015**

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

**NOTE: Electronic contributions are now included with other totals CONTRIBUTIONS Jan. 26-Feb. 2:**

Sunday	\$ 6,727.50
General Funds	585.00
Restricted use	30.00
Debt Reduction	752.00
<b>Total Contributed</b>	<b>\$ 8,094.50</b>
This week's deficit	\$ (2,075.50)

**General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.**

**CONTRIBUTIONS to charity:**

Home Missions	\$ 40.00
Debt to Diocese as of 12/31	\$581,458

Registered Households—741

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**Did you know...**if you missed mass last weekend because of the storm, you can still make your contribution—either bring it next week, or you can take advantage of making a one time contribution from your debit or credit card by going to our website, and click on the "Donation" button.

*Please remember to thank our advertisers for their support.*