

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord

March 29, 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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Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

Palm Sunday ~ March 29, 2015



Dear Friends,

Today we begin to remember and celebrate the Passion of the Lord. We enter the week we call Holy, because it celebrates the path to holiness we have been on throughout Lent and it culminates now with the story of Christ's Passion, death, and resurrection: the Pascal Mystery.

We enter into that mystery in Baptism where we die and rise with Christ. We live the mystery throughout our lives as we die to our false ego-selves and come alive to our true selves found in Christ. No longer I but Christ living in me St. Paul says. And it all happens through love.

In love we let go, become vulnerable, surrendering "power" and control, to discover within us the power of love, which is born in such a way. Through death comes life; the power of the Cross, we win by losing! That is the story and truth of the mystery we celebrate. The Pascal Mystery is one, so we invite you to come for the entire Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil/Sunday. Come let us go with Jesus to Jerusalem to die and rise with Him!

United with you in the love and Passion of The Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. Joel".

Fr, Joel

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, April 9, 7:00-8:00 PM

Sexual abuse is a sin and a crime. Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance. The Church has a responsibility to help victims of sexual abuse and to ensure that offenders are brought to justice. Reports may be made to any pastor or to the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (815) 263-6467. Contact DCFS at 1-800-25-ABUSE.

Run/Walk to Benefit Catholic Charities in DuPage County

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet will benefit from The Human Race 5K run/fitness walk in Downers Grove. This fun event is on April 25th and starts at 9:00am at Esplanade at Locust Point (1901 Butterfield Rd.). Register at www.dupagehumanrace.org and please choose "Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet" to receive your donations. Money raised will help fund vital programs to help the poor and vulnerable in DuPage County. Not able to join us on race day? You can make a donation by sending a check to Catholic Charities, 26 W. St. Charles Rd., Lombard, IL 60148 For more information about Catholic Charities, please visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 28/29

Masses begin 4:45 pm, 8:30 am and 10:30 am

Holy Thursday, April 2 (our Feast Day)

No morning mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 pm

- Receive the holy oils blessed by the bishop
- Share the tradition of Jesus in washing feet
- Adore the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 pm
- Night Prayer at 11:00 pm

Good Friday, April 3

No morning mass

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, 3:00 pm

Stations of the Cross, 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 4

Blessing of Easter Foods and Baskets, 9:30 am

Easter Vigil, 7:30 pm

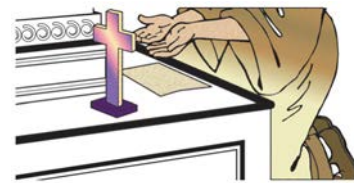
Easter Sunday, April 5

Masses at 8:30 am and 10:30 am

First Friday

The April First Friday Holy Hour falls on Good Friday. Come and spend an hour with our Lord in the Eucharistic Chapel at your convenience.

"Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us." Psalm 95:6



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The prayer intention for April is for Missions in the United States and throughout the world. "Their message goes forth throughout the earth, and their words to the ends of the world." Psalm 19:5

The Respect for All Life From Conception to Natural Death Committee will meet the evening of Tuesday, April 9th, at 7:00 pm at Andie Wolfe's home. For more information, call Andie at 630-739-4335 or 630-926-7444.

The Green Team and the Respect for All Life Committee thank all of the CTS parishioners who so generously donated stationery, note cards, pens, pencils, Ziploc bags, lunch bags and paper for packets to be made for imprisoned women and juveniles so they would have something to send their mothers or children for Mother's Day.

Religious Formation



Grades K-7 Sessions meet Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation Next Classes:

- Session SunA - April 12th
- Session WedA - April 15th
- Session SunB - April 19th
- Session WedB - April 22nd



Palm Sunday—The Passion

The story of the anointing of Jesus is one of the few stories that appears in all four Gospels. As people begin to grumble about the cost and waste of the perfume, Jesus responds: "You always have the poor with you and any time you want to you can do something good for them."

Let us remember in prayer that we are one human family. Answering the call to family, community and participation will promote a culture of respect and lead to peace in the world. Let us turn to God in our care of each other.

The Rice Bowls are being collected this weekend in the Narthex. If you forgot the Rice Bowl today, please bring it next weekend.

Service Opportunity:

Please contact Liz Jesse liz@ctswoodridge.org if you would like to serve our faith community as we celebrate our Lenten tradition:



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

We will have a practice on Wednesday, April 1st at 5:30 pm.

Respect for All Life

Turning Back to God

"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."
~ John 20:21-23



What are your weaknesses? Do you know? We don't want to think about, talk about, and certainly have anyone else point out our weaknesses...But strengths, at some point, plateau, and eradicating weaknesses becomes the key to the future that God has envisioned for all of us. The process of identifying personal strengths and weaknesses, and transforming weaknesses into strengths, is classic Catholic spirituality. Repentance means turning back to God. I have come to realize that when I turn away from God, I am also turning my back on my true self. Since we are all sinners, we need a savior—Jesus—to help change our lives. Jesus came NOT to the healthy, but to heal the sick, and He established the Church to continue the work. The tradition of Confession is deeply rooted in the life and teaching of Jesus, as seen in the Gospels. I find Confession to be a humbling—but not humiliating—experience of liberation that enables me to reassess where I am in life's journey and to identify what is holding me back.

~ Matthew Kelly, "Rediscover Catholicism"

"Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand." Matthew 4:17
submitted by Dave A


Go Green! Plastics #2

So, you've sworn off plastic bags! Why do they keep multiplying in your house? Lunchmeat from the deli counter comes in convenient plastic bags that keep your deli items fresh. What can you do with those bags after you finish the lunchmeat and cheese? Here are two suggestions: Reuse the bags for bones or food scraps that cannot be flushed. You may want to freeze food scraps until garbage day to cut down on smelly garbage cans or raccoon pilferage. In summer these lunchmeat bags can be used for debris that is found in your yard. Each year I fill several of these bags with broken glass, rocks and various other items that appear in my yard, especially after a rain storm.



Remember the **CTS Electronic Recycling Event** on May 23.

The Green Team



Holy Week MINISTERS		
	Holy Thursday April 2 7:00 PM	Good Friday April 3 3:00 PM
	ALTAR MIN.: Maria F Mathew N	P Family
EXT. MINISTERS: Deacon A Deacon F Ed J Madeline J Pat S	Deacon F Donna M Alie P Andrea W	
LECTORS: Donna C Joe C	Vince D Kathy V	
HOST TEAM: D Family	C Family	

HOLY THURSDAY.....OUR FEAST DAY
 Catholic tradition holds that the third most important feast day of the year after Christmas and Easter is the feast of the patron saint of the parish. In the case of our parish, it happens that our feast day is the Feast of Christ the Servant which is Holy Thursday.

The Mass on Holy Thursday is very rich in tradition. These traditions are celebrated only once per year. The Presentation of the Sacred Oils; the Washing of the Feet; the Celebration of the Last Supper; the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament followed by an Evening of Adoration are all time honored traditions.

What better way to glorify the Lord and your parish. Come and celebrate our feast day.

Holy Thursday Note: We are seeking 2-4 volunteers to help with the foot washing ritual at the Holy Thursday liturgy. Call Corinne 630-910-0770

 <p>“Journey into the Wilderness” is our theme for Lent.</p> <p>NOTE: The time for the 10:00 mass has been changed to 10:30 for Easter Sunday.</p> <p>Extra ministers are assigned due to large number of people expected. If you see an area that needs help, please offer!</p>		Next Weekend's MINISTERS		
		ALTAR MIN: C Family	Saturday April 4 7:30 PM	Sunday April 5 8:30 AM
EXT. MINISTERS: Deacon A Patti C Deacon F Joanne F Rita S	Deacon A John C S Melania S Lee W Andrea W	LECTORS: Kathy V Joe C Gayle H Debi S Toni M Steve W	Rita W Paula R	Maria F Deacon F Ed J Madeline J Dan R Jesse T Maureen V Judy E Scott G
HOST TEAMS: Pat S Steve W	Pat S Steve W	C Family S Family Marijane T	A Family R Family	

SANCTUARY

A Cantata of Hope and Peace

by Joseph Martin

Under the Direction of Mr. Tom Labauskas, and performed by St. Jude Music Ministry Choirs & Orchestra, featuring guest soloists from the Chicago Lyric Opera

Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 7:00 pm

St. Jude Catholic Church, 241 West Second Avenue, New Lenox, Illinois

All are welcome

Free admission

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Kathy Gunther

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 28

4:45 PM Donald Kowalski, *r. wife*
George Grabert, *r. Jerry & Patti Crimer*

Sunday, March 29

8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, March 30

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 31

8:30 AM Harry Lesniewski, *r. Sister Suzanne Lesniewski*
Virtine Gramaldi, *r. Dan & Janet Szymanski*

Wednesday, April 1

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, April 2

7:00 PM *Holy Thursday*

Friday, April 3

3:00 PM *Passion of the Lord*

Saturday, April 4

7:30 PM *Solemn Easter Vigil*

Sunday, April 5

8:30 AM Virginia Tomaeno, *r. Marijane Tomaeno*
10:00 AM Bob Jahn, *r. Ed & Madeline Jascewsky*
Fr. Frank K. Vitus, *r. Ed & Madeline Jascewsky*

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



Bible Readings—Mar. 29-Apr. 5

For easy internet access to the daily readings, visit 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: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 /
Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

MONDAY: Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11

TUESDAY: Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33,36-38

WEDNESDAY: Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25

THURSDAY: Ex 12:1-8,11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15

FRIDAY: Is 52:13-53:12 / Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9 / Jn 18:1-19:42

SATURDAY: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1,26-31a / Gn 22:1-18 or
22:12,9a,10-13,15-18 / Ex 14:15-15:1 / Is 54:5-14 / Is 55:1-11 /
Bar 3:9-15,3-4:4 / Ez 36:16-17a,18-28 / Rom 6:3-11 / Mk 16:1-7

SUNDAY: Acts 10:34a,37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 /
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

We pray for the Sick

Louise Boden	Peggy Laughlin	Pauline Popek
Helen Ciolek	Hertasene Murray	Ron Rydzewski
Jeff Coole	Gene Padgett	Marge Schillaci
Sylvia Cordes	Shirley Nowak	Elaine Thomas
Holly Derrico	Thomas O'Donnell	Martha Tracey
Jenna Gardner	Mary Peterson	Joe Zapalac
Hannah Jahn	Alie Phillips	
Mary E. Kapraun	Mary Phillips	
Julie Krol	Jim Picek	

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 those who Serve

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Eric Graslje, 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.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Dominic's and St. Francis' of Assisi youth group of approximately 60 young people will present a memorable re-enactment of the Living Stations of the Cross, Good Friday, April 3rd at 7 p.m. Our very own, Toni Martin will again serve as Music Director and pianist for St. Dominic Parish's Holy Week devotion, "The Living Stations of the Cross". If you cannot attend on Good Friday, you are welcome to attend dress rehearsal, Monday, March 30th, at 7 p.m. St. Dominic is located at 440 Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook.

Stations of



the Cross

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Office Hours & Staff

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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

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!

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 29

10:00 am—CLOW

Monday, March 30

Tuesday, March 31

7:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 1

5:30 pm—Living Stations Practice

Thursday, April 2—Holy Thursday

No morning mass

7:00 pm—Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 3—Good Friday

No morning mass

Church open 8:30 am for prayer

3:00 pm—Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross

led by parish teens

Saturday, April 4—Holy Saturday

9:30 am—Blessing of Foods & Baskets

No confessions today

7:30 pm—Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5—Easter Sunday

8:30 am—Mass

10:30 am—Mass

Upcoming Events

Apr. 7: Election

Apr. 18/19: Parish Life Ministry Fair

Apr. 25: 11:00 am; First Eucharist

Apr. 26: after 10:00 am mass, Peace Pole Dedication

May 2/3: Cash for Food Drive

May 23: 9-noon; Electronic Recycling

Parish Giving

Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ – emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2014-2015

Parish Expenses \$ 6,420.00

Mortgage Payment 3,350.00

Total Needed **\$ 10,170.00**

CONTRIBUTIONS Mar 21/22:

Due to early bulletin deadline, amounts will be reported next week.

CONTRIBUTIONS Received in

Parish Office through March 20::

General Funds \$ 1,570.00

Debt Reduction 60.00

Restricted use (does not include Easter

décor donations) 25.00

Total \$ 1,655.00

(Still working on catching up recording electronic contributions from Feb. 18 on.)

Debt to Diocese as of 2/28 \$555,800

Registered Households—742

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...We will not be offering the sacrament of Reconciliation on Holy Saturday, April 4. Fr. Joel will be available by appointment only this week.

Leave a Legacy. Make a planned gift to our parish or diocese. Call the Development office at 815-221-6100.

To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on "Donate", then click on Stock Donations for details on the process.

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