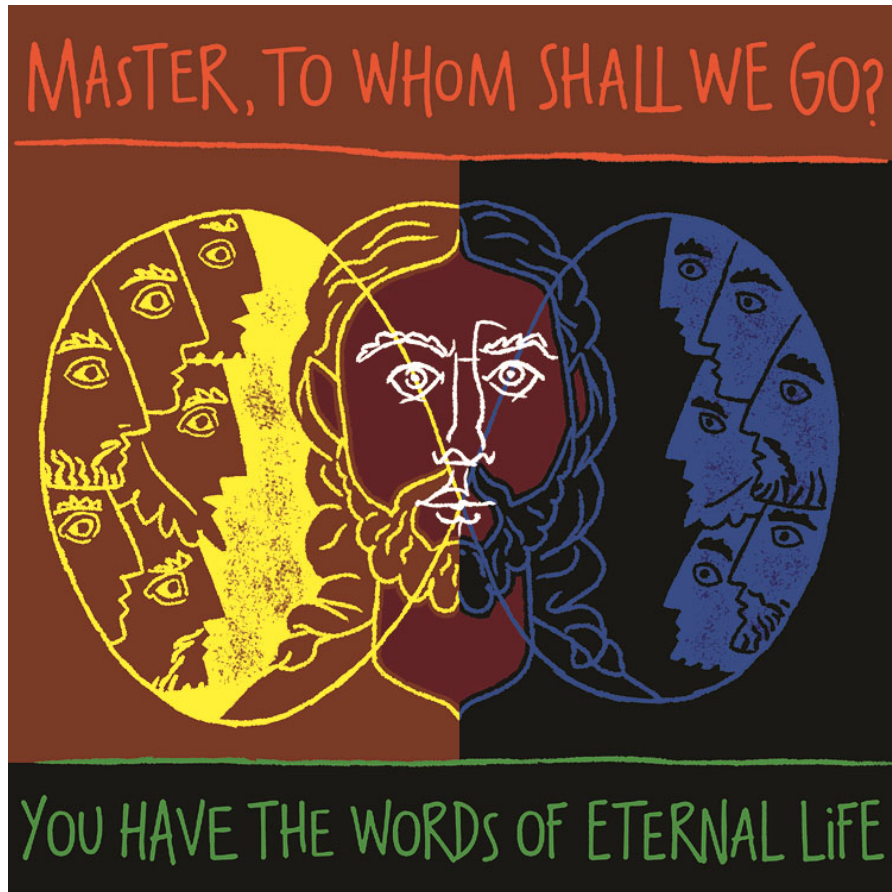


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

August 23, 2015

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



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This week:

- **Tickets for the 25th Anniversary Celebration Luncheon are now on sale! See page 2.**
- Reflection on Scripture, Pope Francis' Tweet, Ladies Nite Out, page 2
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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.

Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!
We learn many virtues in our Christian families. Above all, we learn to love, asking nothing in return.

KEEPING OUR COMMITMENTS

In the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*, the husband, Tevye, whose marriage was arranged years and years before, wants to know if his wife really loves him. Was their marriage just an arrangement, a deal? Did his wife, after all these years, ever love him? Does she still?

We need to know if our loving commitments stick. We need to be reminded and reaffirmed. In the first reading, Joshua, Moses' successor, needed to know if the people would remain faithful to their covenant with the Lord. Joshua was going to lead them to a new life—a settled life. Would they be faithful?

Jesus, who identified himself as the very life of his disciples' life, needed to know: Will you also go away or will you stay? We do not often see Jesus this vulnerable. Peter and the apostles chose to stay. What will we do?



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**Mark Your Calendar
for
September 20, 2015
11:30 am at Ashton Place**

25th Anniversary Celebration buffet luncheon.
Adult (over age 10) \$30 / Children 4-10 \$15 / 3 & under free

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.

Contact Liz Jesse, Director of Religious Formation, for information about the RCIA Process. 630-910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org

Over 55 Ladies Club

Ladies Nite Out

Tuesday, August 25, 2015, 4:30 PM at



**330 Yorktown Center, Lombard
630-424-1415**

Call Carol H
or Ann P

New members welcome!

We pray for the Newly Baptized



Matteo Raymond
(son of James & Maria M)

Owen James
(son of Joel & Tracy S)

David James
(son of David & Anna Maria Z)

August 16, 2015

Back To School Supplies & Backpacks Drive Cash 4 Food - August 22 & 23

Our next "Cash For Food" Drive is for Back To School Supplies & Backpacks **PLUS CASH DONATIONS** to help the West Suburban Community Food Pantry.

School Supplies most needed are Colored Pencils, 8-10 Count Thick/Thin Markers, Blunt Scissors, Wide Rule Notebook Paper, and Highlighters.

School Back Packs filled with School Supplies are Great!



Before Mass, you can drop off School Supplies, Paper Goods and Food donations in the Parking Lot. A CASH for FOOD Donation Box will be in the Narthex for cash and checks made payable to: West Suburban Community Food Pantry.

"GET INVOLVED" and donate Dollars, School Supplies, Paper Goods, Food, and your time to "Help Others". Please contact Jerry F for details.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!

The needs of those less fortunate than ourselves are just like our needs.



*You are cordially invited to attend an Open House Event for the Mantellate Sisters Servants of Mary at Marian Lake
16949 South Drauden Road,
Plainfield, IL.
on Sunday, September 13
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
In Celebration of
The Year of Consecrated Life*

PARISH OUTREACH Let's Walk the Walk

Last Saturday's Organizational Meeting produced a commitment to Reach Out by distributing CTS INFORMATIONAL FLYERS door-to-door within parish boundaries the week-end of September 26/27.



Sign-up sheets to WALK THE WALK will be in the narthex starting next week.
PLEASE JOIN US!

For more information, please call Jerry F or the parish office. Thank you!

Journey to Reinvention Part 3

It's a day of renewal and reinvention: professionally, personally and spiritually. In this workshop, Mary Kay Slowikowski will help you learn how to "hang a light on your differences" in order to bring out your unique best. What: Journey to Reinvention, Part 3

When: Saturday, August 29, 2015 - 9am-2:30pm
Cost: \$45, lunch included

Carmelite Spiritual Center

8419 Bailey Road, Darien, IL 60561

To register, call 630 969 4141 and ask for Darlene.

Whenever we help the poor, we help ourselves.

St. James the Apostle is our Patron Saint, our inspiration. He has set the standard by which our missionaries bring Christ's love to the poorest people of Ecuador and Peru.

He tells us, our mercy to others will vindicate us on the day of God's judgment: "So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Yet, mercy triumphs over judgment." (Jas 2:12-13)

... our mercy to others will vindicate us on the day of God's judgment.

Our missionaries operate 5 Housing Facilities that serve the Elderly, Special Needs, Youth and Orphanages. They deliver 5 Programs for the Elderly and Remedial Classes and offer 2 scholarship Programs for Poor Children.

Join our mission however your means permit so we can continue to reflect God's Love to these unfortunate people.

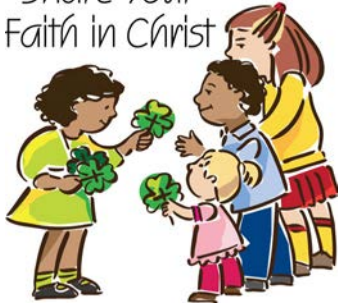
Giving is Sharing what we can. Giving is Love.

For more information, call John Racila at 630.751.4532. The Missionary Society of St. James the Apostle 900 Ogden Avenue, Box 168, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Religious Formation

HAPPY SUMMER!

Share Your
Faith in Christ



We need your help!

Visit this weekend's Ministry Fair to find out more.

We have a serious need for people who are willing to share (and grow) their faith with the children of the parish. All age groups need catechists.

Please consider whether you can help out as a catechist, an aide or a substitute. If you cannot make a commitment for the year, check out our "one and done" opportunities. Please contact Liz Jesse, liz@ctswoodridge.org or 630 910-0770 x12 if you are interested.

**RF Family Opening Prayer Service is
Friday September 18th at 7:00pm.
Classes begin September 22nd & 23rd.**

**If you have not registered for
2015/16 Religious Formation,
forms are available in the Narthex and on
the parish web-site; www.ctswoodridge.org
Classes are being assigned as registrations are
received.**

Some classes are filling up.



**Our first Catechist Meeting will be held
on Sunday September 13th from 1:00pm
to 3:00pm.**

Diocese of Joliet - Religious Education Office

2015-2016 Catechist Initial Formation

Day/ Day of Renewal:

A Spiritual & Practical
Learning Experience



This experience is for all catechists who want to refresh their sense of mission through spiritual inspiration and practical

ideas to enhance your faith formation sessions. This program will be offered at St. Scholastica on Thursday September 10th from 6:00pm to 9:30pm. A light supper will be provided. Please RSVP to Liz Jesse by September 1st.

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.

The training session is being offered at Christ the Servant on Wednesday, September 9, at 7:00 pm.

There will be many other sessions offered at neighboring parishes. Visit www.virtus.org for session listings (select Joliet, IL (Diocese)) and to register. For more information contact Liz Jesse @ 910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org.

Job Opportunity

Business Manager

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Parish in Addison is seeking employment of a Business Manager. The Business Manager's main responsibility is the accounting for the parish and school. The candidate must have experience in fiscal planning, general accounting, payroll management, human resources, facilities management and basic office skills. Good written and oral communication skills and the ability to work with others is a must. A BS/BA in Business, Accounting, Finance or a related field is required. Experience with database management programs and accounting software is desirable. The position is full-time and benefited. Please send your resume to rectory@st-phil.org

The Green Team Collects...

Crayons (broken or whole) they go to SCARCE and they melt down the broken ones into shapes to give to children with disabilities so they can use them. Whole crayons are put in to Altoid tins, which we also collect to be given out to children in need.

Please note that we are in need of several people to help with the Ministers of the Altar and the Host Team (Ministers of Hospitality) ministries next week. Each one has an experienced minister assigned, so you would have help, even if you are brand new. Contact Corinne Hanson, 630-910-0770, or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org, Substitute ministers are also welcome to volunteer to help out!



ALTAR MIN:

EXT. MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

HOST TEAMS:

Saturday
August 29
4:45 PM

N Family

Patti C
DEACON F
Mary K
Rita S
Darlene S

Bob C
Jerry F

Maryrose G
MINISTER NEEDED

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
August 30
8:30 AM

Mathew M
MINISTER NEEDED

Cindy F
Rose G
Jose S
Melania S
Lee W

Marjorie C
Rita W

Steve W
MINISTER NEEDED

Sunday
August 30
10:00 AM

Maria F
Gayle H

Judy E
Mike L
Tony L
Maureen N
Dan R

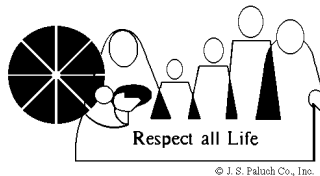
Paul M
Kristen M

D Family

Respect for All Life

Persecution Rising

Today, Christians are being persecuted from North Korea to Pakistan, from China to Sudan. In the Middle East, where Christians comprised 25% of the population 100 years ago, they now number less than 5%. In Aleppo, Syria, there are fewer than 100,000 left of 250,000 Christians. World leaders face the challenge of championing and upholding the rule of law and the protection of religious minorities. The U.N. and our Western legislators, policymakers, and media first need to become literate in religion in order to understand our world. The three religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam need to become transformative agents in conflict management, reconciliation, and healing. Can the great faiths motivate their followers to be peacemakers, peace-builders, protectors of minorities, and practitioners of pluralism, tolerance, mutual respect, and upholding the rule of law? Countries need to make the cause of those who suffer for their religion or belief the great cause of our times. Christians, Jews, and Muslims who are privileged to live in free societies have to challenge cold indifference and speak up to defend humanity.



~ "Persecution Rising", by Prof. Lord David Alton, Liverpool John Moores Univ., Columbia Magazine (Knights of Columbus), August 2015

submitted by Dave A

"Try to discover the beauty of the Rosary, so that it may become your faithful companion throughout life" (St. John Paul II)

Join in praying the Rosary daily before and/or after our weekday mass.

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. Bob 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, September 3, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Marie Magee

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22

4:45 PM Christ the Servant Confirmandi, *r. Donna Ciolek*
RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*
Adeline Bara, *r. Margie, Gary & Rachel Pelka*

Sunday, August 23

8:30 AM Madie Uhler, *r. Corinne Hanson*
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, August 24

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 25

8:30 AM Joan English

Wednesday, August 26

8:30 AM Tom Ruff, *r. Donna Mays*
Jerry & Patti Crimer, *37th wedding anniversary*

Thursday, August 27

8:30 AM Edna Wall, *r. Gary Wall*

Friday, August 28—Communion Service

8:30 AM pray for Larry Carroo

Saturday, August 29

4:45 PM RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*
Andrew (Dad) Peslak, *r. Peslak family*

Sunday, August 30

8:30 AM Diane Malesevich, *r. Don & Tina Fassero*
10:00 AM People of the Parish

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



We pray for the Sick

Louise Boden	Bp. Joseph Imesch	Marge Schillaci
Gail Cheffer	Brian Jackson	Elaine Thomas
Helen Ciolek	Peggy Laughlin	Rick Vendl
David Clemmans	Carol McPherson	Andie Wolfe
Julie Connolly	Blair Nuccio	Haley Wyman
Jeff Coole	Thomas O'Donnell	Rita Wyman
Cecilia Cooper	Alie Phillips	Ron Wyman
Holly Derrico	Pauline Popek	Joe Zapalac
Jay Dunn	Jeremy Purchase	Johnny Zokovitch
John Gorman	Ron Rydzewski	
Pat Guglielmo	Jim Sanders	

*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



Diane Malesevich
(sister of Donna Szarek)

Carla Conlon
(mother of Bishop Conlon)

We pray for those who Serve

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz

Dan Fialek, nephew of Jerry Fialek

Eric Graslje, cousin of Pauline Ryan

David Jackson, son of Cathleen Jackson

Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove

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.



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Bible Readings—August 23-August 30

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: Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b / Eph 5:21-32 or
5:2a,25-32 / Jn 6:60-69

MONDAY: Rv 21:9b-14 / Jn 1:45-51

TUESDAY: 1 Thes 2:1-8 / Mt 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY: 1 Thes 2:9-13 / Mt 23:27-32

THURSDAY: 1 Thes 3:7-13 / Mt 24:42-51

FRIDAY: 1 Thes 4:1-8 / Mt 25:1-13

SATURDAY: 1 Thes 4:9-11 / Mk 6:17-29

SUNDAY: Dt 4:1-2,6-8 / Jas 1:17-18,21b-22,27 /
Mk 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

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Fax: (630) 910-6060
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. Bob Duda, Pastor *Ext. 15*
FrBob@ctswoodridge.org

Tom Fricke, Permanent Deacon

Rod Accardi, Permanent Deacon

Corinne Hanson, Bus. Manager *Ext. 10*

Liz Jesse,

Religious Formation Director *Ext. 12*

Janet Alikpala, Music Director

janet@ctswoodridge.org

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

Calendar of Events

Cash 4 Food Drive RF Ministry Fair Hospitality

Sunday, August 23

Monday, August 24

7:00 pm—Joint Council/Commissions Meeting. ALL INVITED.

Tuesday, August 25

Wednesday, August 26

Thursday, August 27

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

Feed My Starving Children (offsite)
 call Liz Jesse for information

Sunday, August 30

11:00 am—25th Anniversary Comm.

Upcoming Events

Aug. 24: 7:00 pm, Joint Council/Commissions/Committees meeting

Aug 29: Feed My Starving Children, Aurora (contact Liz Jesse 630-910-0770 x12)

Sept 18: 7:00 pm, RF Opening Prayer Service

Sept 20: 10:00 am, Bishop Conlon for 25th Anniversary Mass + Fr. Bob's installation, followed by luncheon at Ashton Pl.

Oct. 4: 11:30 am Blessing of Pets on the terrace.

Parish Giving

In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2015-2016

Parish Expenses	\$ 6,820.00
Mortgage Payment	3,350.00
Total Needed	\$ 10,170.00

NOTE: Electronic contributions are included with other totals

CONTRIBUTIONS Aug. 11-Aug 17:

Sunday 8/16	5,236.35
Sunday other forms	565.00
General Funds	1,095.00
Debt Reduction	175.00
Total Contributed	\$ 7,071.35

Differential report for week:

Needed	\$ 10,170.00
Reported this week	7,071.35
Deficit this week	\$ (3,098.65)

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

Debt to Diocese as of 7/31 \$492,376
 Registered Households—741

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...thanks to all who support Debt Reduction. We are making progress—at \$14,500/month, we should pay off the original debt sometime during 2018.

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

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org

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