

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

October 4, 2015

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let the children come to me; do not prevent them,
for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

— Mark 10:14

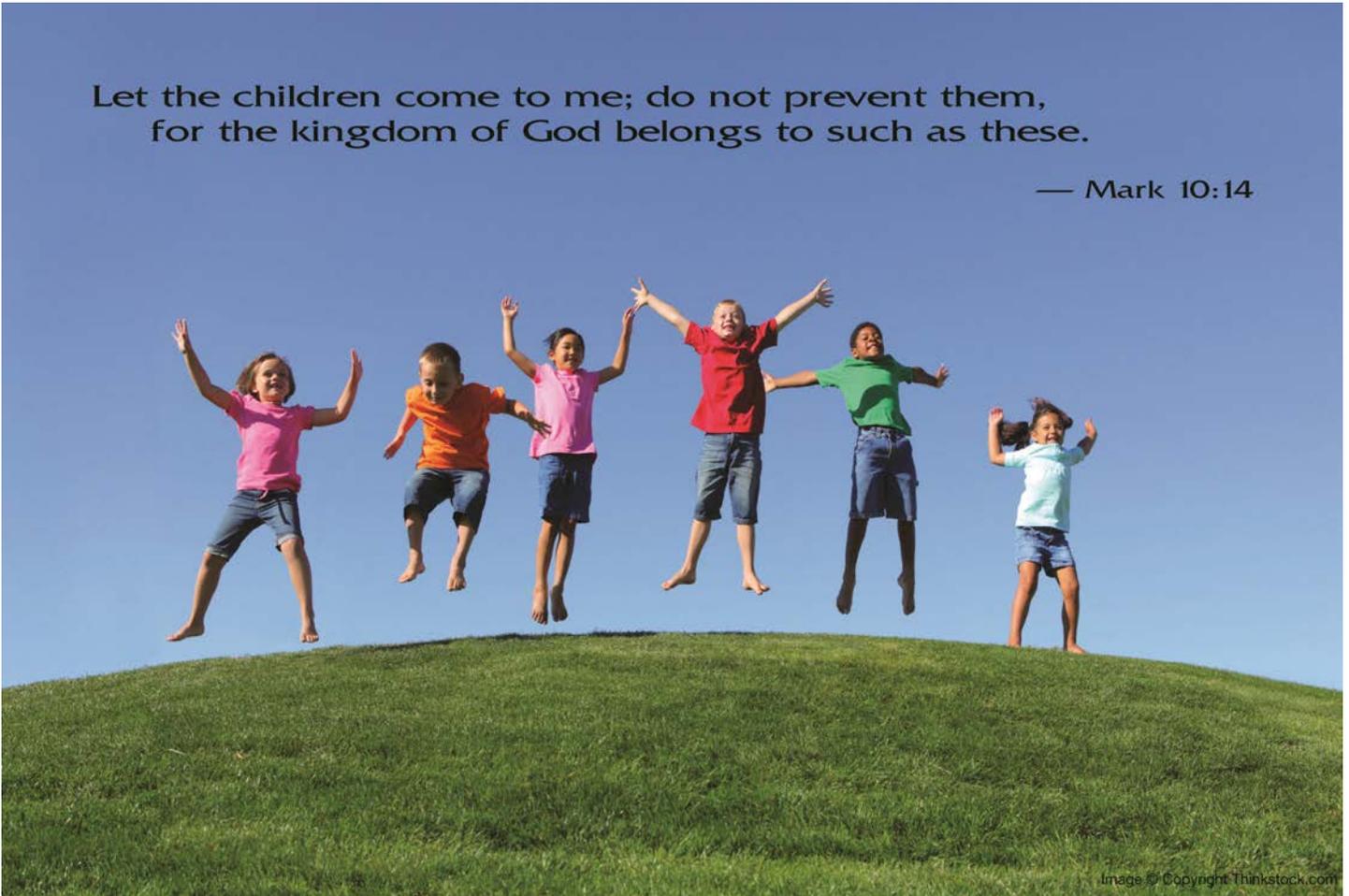


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This week:

- We congratulate Deacon Rod on 25 years of ministry as a deacon
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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.

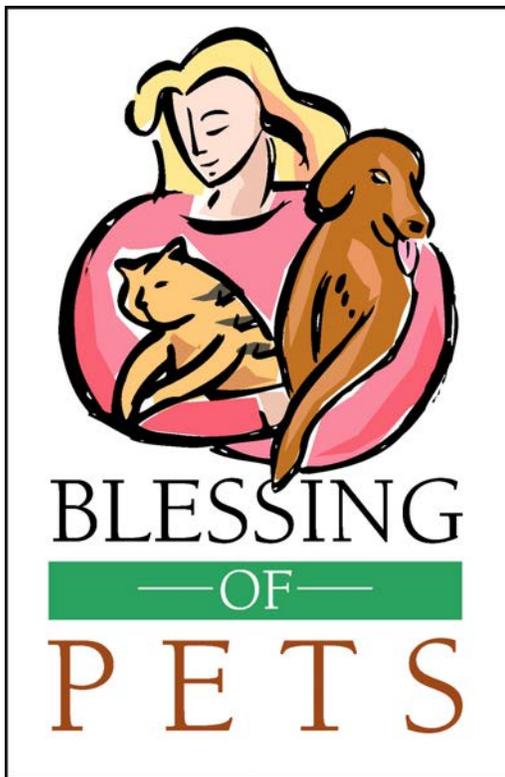
Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!
God loves the lowly. When we live humbly, he takes our small efforts and creates great things.

TOWARD HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

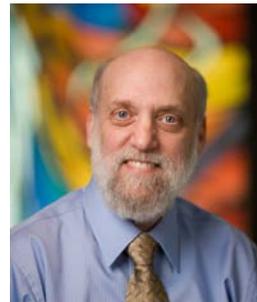
From the beginning of creation, God intended for people to live together in relationship with one another. Much of scripture shows us how to do this as it illustrates and clarifies God's plans. The readings this weekend guide us in the value and care of our relationships. Specifically, the Gospel focuses on the circumstances of failed relationships. Unlike the Pharisees, we would do well not to focus on the laws that pertain to failed relationships, but concentrate instead on what God really intended for us. Healthy bonds require a lot of our time and energy. They certainly require trust and honesty. Jesus demonstrated a deep commitment to his friends and to us. As our brother, he gave his very life for us. Children work hard at friendships. They trust, forgive, and love without conditions. The final words of today's Gospel invite us to welcome Jesus and the people of our relationships with the fresh enthusiasm of a child.

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Blessing of Pets Sunday at 11:30 am

All are invited to bring their safely leashed or caged pet to the Terrace at 11:30 am Sunday, October 4, for the Blessing of Pets, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis.



Congratulations Deacon Accardi as you celebrate 25 years of Ordination to the Diaconate

Welcome to family and friends as we celebrate with you at the 10:00 am mass. Refreshments will be served after Mass. All are welcome.

TREE OF LIGHT MASS: All families and individuals are welcome to attend the Tree of Light Infant Memorial Mass at the Blanchette Catholic Center on Sunday, November 8. This liturgy, celebrated by Father James Lennon, will remember babies who have been lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death, other pregnancy losses or early childhood death. At 2:00 p.m., a special tree blessing ceremony commemorating these babies will precede the Mass. Family members may wish to arrive at 1:30 p.m. to sign in and to gather in the chapel. A reception with light refreshments will be served immediately following. See <http://conta.cc/1JvnLlg>, call (815-838-5334) or go to <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/siteimages/chancerytribunal/JOB/TreeOfLight2015flier.pdf> to register. Please call if unable to attend but would like a baby remembered.

NOTICE

Father Bob will be away at the priests' convocation from October 5-8. We will have mass on Monday, October 5. There will be no mass or communion service on Tuesday, the 6th, Wednesday the 7th, or Thursday the 8th. Our regular schedule will resume on Friday, October 9, with a communion service, and daily mass will begin again on Monday, October 12.

Christ the Servant Peace Pole and Garden

(continued from last week) "Simplicity" and "inclusivity" are essential aspects of the peace pole garden to silently "preach peace" to the world. These are the values that will help us to answer what can be brought into the space and how, if we are to "include the excluded" in this place. The peace pole itself should remain as an unmarred symbol. Nothing should be added to the pole itself aside from the lettering it currently bears. Any one-of-a-kind symbols in the garden need to be universal symbols, so as not to unintentionally send a message of exclusion. Mother Teresa who dedicated a peace pole herself and who served the poor of all faith traditions equally put it this way: "Peace begins with a smile."



PRAYER WITHOUT BORDERS

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, the month of Mary. In the Narthex is a display of a world map and blessed rosaries that you are welcome to take. In February of 191, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen in a radio address (The Catholic Hour) inaugurated a WORLD MISSION ROSARY. "We must pray, not only for ourselves, but for the world. To this end, I have designed the WORLD MISSION ROSARY." Each decade is a different color to represent the continent circled on the world map. Green is for AFRICA. Blue for THE ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC, White for EUROPE. Red for the AMERICAS, Yellow for ASIA, and on our rosary the first 5 white beads after the cross represent Antarctica.

Also displayed are pictures of beads used in prayer of faith traditions other than our own: by the Greek Orthodox (Komboskini), Russian Orthodox (Lestovka), Anglican (Rosary), Swedish Evangelical Lutheran (Wreath of Christ—Pears of Life), Baha'i (Prayers Beads), Buddhist, Hindu and Sikh (Mala), Islamic (Tasbih). "More things are wrought by prayer than men dream of." Alfred Lloyd Tennyson.

HELP WANTED:

ART & ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

The ministry of enhancing our prayerful worship space is a team effort. No one person needs to do all the work all the time, and we have several people who are willing to help with environment changes as they occur with the liturgical seasons. Donna M has been coordinating this group of volunteers for several years, and we are seeking someone with a love for liturgy, good artistic sense, and available during the day to lead the Art & Environment team into our future. Call for information.

HELPING THE HUNGRY IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

As many may know, Christ the Servant helps provide Thanksgiving dinners for clients of the West Suburban Community. This year we will once again provide Happy Thanksgivings for 35 of our neighboring households in need, and Happy Christmas for 50 households.

There is a new way to help this year. Next weekend, October 11 and 12, will be the registration period for the clients over at St. Scholastica. Volunteers are needed to help get the families registered and assigned to a parish, through getting information from the clients (number of people in household, ages, etc.) and entering the information into a database.

- 1) If you have a laptop with Excel, your help entering data into the spreadsheet is needed!
 - 2) If you can speak Spanish to help translate the needs of some of the clients, you don't even need a laptop to be a huge help. This could be an opportunity for a high school student taking Spanish to get some service hours as well as conversational practice.
- Contact Denice K, for more information or to volunteer.

PADS

HELPING THE HOMELESS

Christ the Servant helps serve at the Clarendon Hills Presbyterian Church PADS site on the Fifth Saturday of the month during the cooler months.

This year, these dates fall on October 31, 2015 and January 30, 2016.

While there is always a DuPage PADS staff member available during the evening, help is always needed to provide, prepare and serve meals, help set up the site, and clean up at the end of the shift. Mark your calendar for either or both of these dates now. If you have questions about PADS, please call Gregory Peck at 630-985-6554.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING/DONATION DRIVE @ Christ the Servant 10/24 & 10/25

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in our parking lot the weekend of 10/24 & 10/25. 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.
- ☺ **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. **SORRY NO TELEVISIONS.**

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** or email us at **saintvincentdonate@gmail.com**.

Thanks to all for your generous donations!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Religious Formation



Grades K-7 Sessions meet this Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation 8th Grade Classes:

Sunday Sessions - October 4th

Wednesday Sessions - October 7th

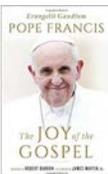


Saints Retreat

Sunday October 18th—1:00-3:00 pm



If you have 1st grader, be sure to register your child for 2015-2016 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.



“The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus... In this Exhortation I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church’s journey in years to come.”

– Pope Francis

Join us as we read and discuss

The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis.

We will meet at 11:15am on Sunday October 11, Oct 25, Nov 8, Nov 15, Dec 6 and Dec 13.

The cost of the book is \$12.

For more information contact Liz Jesse.

THE PRINTERY HOUSE



Christian greeting cards and gifts

Purchase beautiful Christian greeting cards and gifts and benefit Christ the Servant parish.

Pick up a catalog in the Narthex or outside the Religious Formation Office.

SENIOR HIGH NIGHT: Senior High Night will take place Sunday, October 4 at St. Scholastica Parish in Woodridge. The night will feature *Popple*, Kyle and Dan, who are full-time musicians and speakers. They will share their unique blend of comedic-acoustic-fun-loving music and their passion for the faith. To learn more about them, see: <http://www.popple.us/> Cost for the evening is \$5.00 beforehand or \$10.00 at the door. Contact the Youth Ministry Office at ym@dioceseofjoliet.org or (815-221-6235) for more information

Divine Mercy Young Adults Conference

In Preparation for the Year of Mercy

The Diocese of Joliet’s Justice and Peace Ministry is hosting a Divine Mercy conference for young adults (out of high school 18-39 years old) in the diocese to prepare the young adult community for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. There will be presentations on current issues and Catholic Social Teaching, such as: poverty, immigration, ecology, respect life, restorative justice, and persecuted Christians and refugees. Join them for a day of awareness, prayer, and community. The event will also include Mass and dinner. There is no cost for this conference. For questions and/or to register contact Kayla S. Jacobs, Justice and Peace Coordinator, at:

kjacobs@dioceseofjoliet.org or 815-221-6251.

Date: Saturday, October 3rd, 2015

Time: 12:30– 6:00 pm

Where: University of St. Francis
Mother House

420 Plainfield Rd. Joliet, IL 60435

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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 women is Thursday, November 12th to Sunday, November 15. This will be the Women’s 122 weekend held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center. 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 way, but He will. Lee Q says, “I made my weekend 20 years ago, and gained a deeper understanding of what it means to be fully Catholic, by being fully Christian.” Please contact Lee Q, Cindy D or Rita A for specific information about the upcoming Cursillo weekend. Thank you!



Would you like to participate in a ministry at mass, and don't know where to start?

Would you like to help your children be more willing to come to mass with you? Having something specific to do can help!

Contact Corinne Hanson, 630-910-0770, or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org, for information on how to get started in a liturgical ministry. Scheduling is based on your availability. When you see a name lots of times on the lists to the right, it's because we need more people like you helping out!



ALTAR MIN:

EXT. MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

HOST TEAMS:

Saturday
October 10
4:45 PM

T Family

Jim G
Karen J
Steve J
Mary K
Marylou R

Kathy V
Gayle H

D Family

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
October 11
8:30 AM

C Family

Cindy F
Barb K
Paula R
Bob S
Lee W

Lou S
Peg K

C Family

Sunday
October 11
10:00 AM

A Family

Antonio A
Deacon F
Tim G
Tony L
Maureen N

Dan R
Scott G

R Family

Respect for All Life

Pope Francis: "Protect and Defend Life"

During his visit to the U.S., Pope Francis admonished members of Congress: "The Golden Rule—Do Unto Others...—reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development. I am convinced that this way is the best, since every life is sacred—every human person is endowed with inalienable dignity. May Congress protect, by means of the law, the image and likeness fashioned by God on every human face." Later, the Pope urged Catholics to continue fighting for our beliefs, including the sanctity of life, marriage, family, and religious liberty.



The U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops designates October 3-4 as "Respect for Life" weekend. Our Respect for All Life committee has placed in today's bulletin copies of the USCCB flyer "Every Life is Worth Living." We invite you to display this in your home as a reminder of every person's worth as an adopted son/daughter of God.

Next weekend is the CTS Christian Service Commission Ministry Fair in the narthex. WE invite you to drop by our Respect for All Life table, and select any of the booklets, CDs, or other materials. And we always welcome new members to advocate for LIFE.

submitted by Dave A

PROJECT LOVE invites you to help plan their next year of fundraisers to help pregnant women and new mothers who are in a financial crisis. The first monthly meeting is October 10 at 11 am, at the Illinois Citizens for Life Office, 5021 Fairview Ave, Suite B in Downers Grove. You may contact Eileen at 630-963-8039 or email eileenm.plc@icl-life.com.

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. Bob.

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 5, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Leslie Gunther



MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 3

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*
Gerald Johnson, *r. family*
Jeanine Rendak, *r. Gierut & Rendak families*

Sunday, October 4

8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Richard Regnier, *r. Carol Hanen*

Monday, October 5-

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, October 6-Thursday, October 8

No mass. Father is at the Convocation of Priests

Friday, October 9—Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, October 10

4:45 PM William & Helen Kolodziej, *r. Peslak family*
Stella Szymanski, *r. Dan & Janet Szymanski*
RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*

Sunday, October 11

8:30 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Pauline Dennis, *r. Pat Savage*

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

We pray for the Sick

Louise Boden	Brian Jackson	Jim Sanders
Theo Buck	Jeff Joyce	Roger Terry
Donna Ciolek	Virginia Konczalski	Elaine Thomas
Helen Ciolek	Ben Lacson	Gary Wall
Lorraine Clark	Dorothy Nagl	Rick Vendl
Jeff Coole	Peggy Laughlin	Kelley Wilson
Cecilia Cooper	Thomas O'Donnell	Jane Wiviott
Holly Derrico	Alie Phillips	Rita Wyman
Jay Dunn	Pauline Popek	Ron Wyman
Kay Gebhardt	Steve Potter	Joe Zapalac
Danny Gordon	Jeremy Purchase	Johnny Zokovitch
Bp. Joseph Imesch	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. Thank you.***

Our Beloved Dead

It is a Catholic tradition to celebrate our love for those who have died during the month of November, especially with the feasts of All Saints on November 1 (Sunday this year) and All Souls on November 2. Special mass at 7:00 pm Monday, November 2.

The "Our Beloved Dead" poster will be displayed on the large bulletin board throughout the month of November, updated each week as new requests come in.

To participate in the "Our Beloved Dead" poster, complete one of the envelopes available in the narthex. They have a label on them saying "In Death, our life has changed, not ended..." List the names of the dead that you wish to have included on the poster. Donations are accepted in the envelope, and your name is requested for accounting purposes. Donations are tax deductible if they are identifiable. We will list all these names in the November 29 bulletin.

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.

Bible Readings—October 4-October 11

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: Gn 2:18-24 / Heb 2:9-11 / Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

MONDAY: Jon 1:1-2:2,11 / Lk 10:25-37

TUESDAY: Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 10:38-42

WEDNESDAY: Jon 4:1-11 / Lk 11:1-4

THURSDAY: Mal 3:13-20b / Lk 11:5-13

FRIDAY: Jl 1:13-15:2:1-2 / Lk 11:15-26

SATURDAY: Jl 4:12-21 / Lk 11:27-28

SUNDAY: Wis 7:7-11 / Heb 4:12-13 / Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

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. Bob Duda, Pastor *Ext. 15*

FrBob@ctswoodridge.org

Tom Fricke, Permanent Deacon

Rod Accardi, Permanent Deacon

Corinne Hanson, Bus. Manager *Ext. 10*

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Religious Formation Director *Ext. 12*

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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

Pick up Manna orders

Sunday, October 4

8:30 am—Confirmation Class

11:30 am—Baptism

11:30 am—Blessing of Pets

Monday, October 5

Tuesday, October 6—no mass

4:45-6:00 pm—RF classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF classes

Wednesday, October 7—no mass

4:45-6:00 pm—RF classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF classes

6:30-8:00 pm—Confirmation Class

Thursday, October 8—no mass

5:00 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:00 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 9-Communion Svc

Christian Service Ministry Fair/

Parish Life hospitality

Human Trafficking Awareness

Saturday, October 10

Sunday, October 11

11:00 am—Voices Choir rehearsal

11:15 am—Joy of the Gospel Study

Group

Upcoming Events

Oct. 17/18: Undy Sunday. Bring new underwear for our neighbors in need

Oct. 17/18: Cash4Food Drive

Oct. 31: Electronic Recycling, 9-noon

Parish Giving

The phrase in today's psalm, "May you see your children's children," is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!"

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2015-2016

Parish Expenses	\$ 6,820.00
Mortgage Payment	<u>3,350.00</u>
Total Needed	\$ 10,170.00

NOTE: Electronic contributions are included with other totals

CONTRIBUTIONS Sept 22-Sept 28:

Sunday 9/27	5,937.11
Sunday other forms	825.00
General Funds	232.00
Restricted use	10.00
Debt Reduction	<u>55.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 7,059.11

CONTRIBUTIONS to charity:

Christ is Our Hope magazine \$ 359.00

Differential report for week:

Needed	\$ 10,170.00
Reported this week	7,059.11
Deficit this week	\$ (3,110.89)

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

Debt to Diocese as of 8/31 \$479,063

Registered Households—741

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...we are anticipating some large repair bills to the roof.

Leave a Legacy. To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on "Donate", then click on Stock Donations for details on the process. Or call the Development office at 815-221-6100.

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