

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

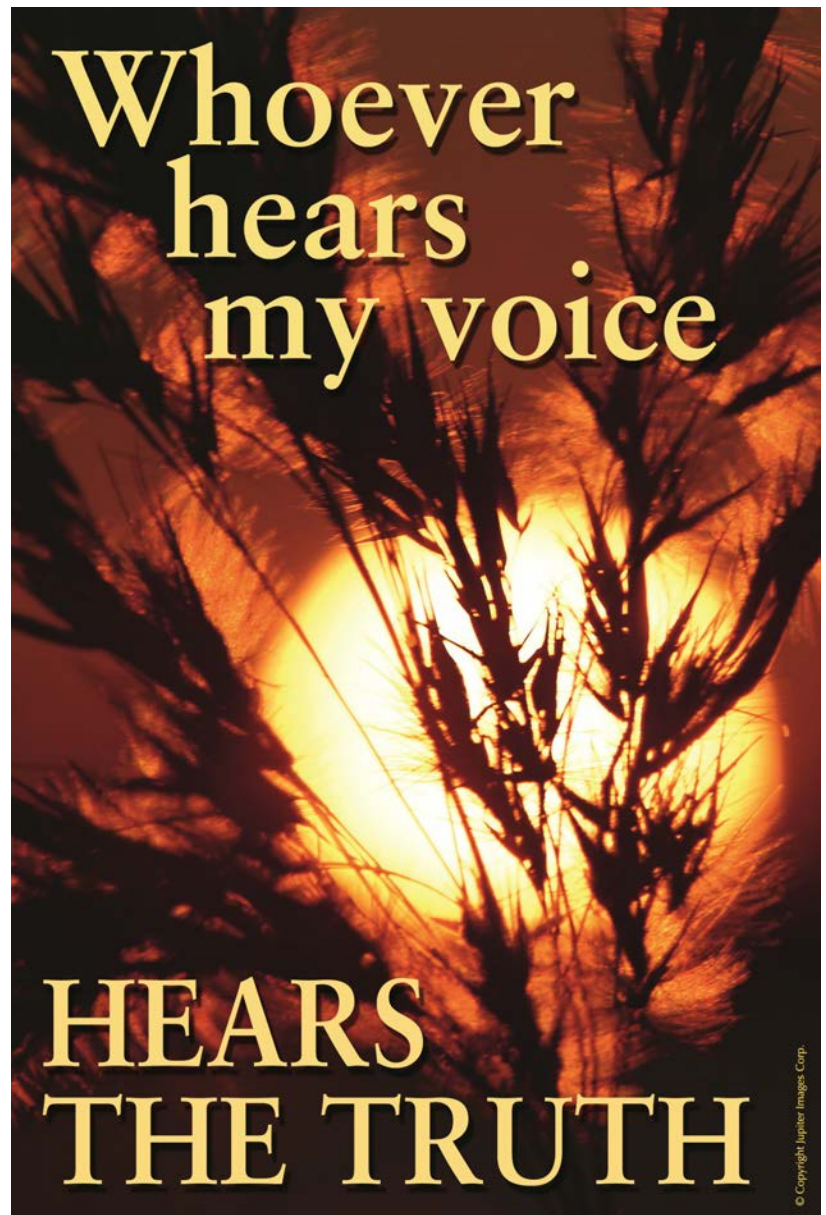
The Joy of Living a Giving Life

November 22, 2015

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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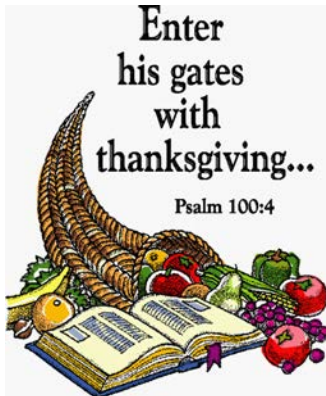


Our Mission

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

Please be as generous as possible in supporting the important work of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which assists organizations such as the Southwest Suburban Immigrant Project (SSIP), who spoke at all masses here last weekend. If you forgot your donation today, you may include it with the collection next week, visibly marked "CCHD", or mail your contribution into the office.



Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 am

In thanksgiving for the services offered by Hope's Front Door ministry in a way that our parish cannot directly fulfill, our entire Thanksgiving collection will be donated to Hope's Front Door in Downers Grove, who is able to offer rental and utility and other emergency expenses support as well as counseling.

**Parish offices will be closed
Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27.**

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE



**Sunday, Nov 22, 2015
6:00 pm**

**Prince of Peace Lutheran
Church**

2600 W 75th Street,
Woodridge

"Giving Thanks for the Gift of God's Children".
Each scripture reading and meditation will
raise up the value of children in some way.

All are welcome to attend this special prayer
service. Come as a family!

Mark Your Calendar for a Quick Start to the Holidays! December 4, 2015 at 6:30 pm (will last 1-1.5 hours)

At Christ the Servant Church

Heritage House Florists will instruct participants & provide all
supplies to make a Christmas centerpiece, to include mixed
Christmas greens, pine cones and Christmas bows.



Cost per person: \$35.00. Tickets on
sale now! Minimum 25 persons; maxi-
mum 50 persons. Any questions, call
Lainie G. Light hospitality afterwards.
Come—and invite a friend!

Christmas Wish Tree & Sharing



Thank you to the great response for helping
neighbors in need with Thanksgiving dinners.
If you missed this opportunity, another one is
coming up very soon! Signups to provide a happy Christmas for those in need will begin on
December 5/6. There are many ways to participate—\$25 gift card for a main course, the
rest of the dinner, or gifts as indicated on the stars on the tree. We have committed to
helping 53 families for Christmas. Please be generous, and thank you for signing up early!

We encourage you to drop off gifts and non-perishable items early. You may
drop them off at the parish office during office hours the week of Dec. 13-18.
The church will be open to receive your donation from 9-11 am on Saturday,
December 19, or you may bring your items when you come to mass. We do
not have enough room to refrigerate, so please bring any perishable items on
Sunday morning, December 20. Clients will begin arriving at 11:00 am
Sunday, so please have your items here by 10:00 am.

We pray for the Newly Baptized



Eliana Imogen
(daughter of Chad & Ann G)

Andrew Patrick
(son of Marc & Patricia I)

Neli Madilyn
(daughter of Roger & Alyssa M)

November 15, 2015

OPENING OF THE HOLY DOOR TO BEGIN THE HOLY YEAR OF MERCY



MERCIFUL
~ LIKE THE ~
FATHER

All are invited to attend the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, December 12 at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. (604 N Raynor Ave, Joliet) This liturgy will be our diocesan initiation of the Holy Year of Mercy.

Prior to the beginning of Mass Bishop Conlon will open the Cathedral's Holy Door, our local way of joining with Pope Francis as he opens the Holy Doors in Rome. Let us enter into this Holy Year in joyful celebration of God's extravagant love and mercy. May our own carrying out of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy make present God's tender mercy.

Over 55 Ladies Christmas Luncheon

Come join us on
Tuesday, December 8, at 5:00 PM at

Keystone Bar and Grill

7231 Lemont Rd, Downers Grove

Call Tina F or
Darlene J

Please bring an unwrapped toy for any age between 1 and 17 years old. We will donate them to the Open Door ministry.

New Members Always Welcome!!!

GO GREEN!

While the weather is still on the mild side, you may consider lighting your outdoors for the winter holidays. You don't have to turn the lights on, but you can get them out in the trees and on your gutters before the snow and ice arrives.



If any of the strings of lights are no longer usable, it's time to bring them into the Narthex for the **Green Team** to recycle them. The **Green Team** uses any profit made from the lights to fund "Green" events.

Thank you to all who helped with the **Electronic Recycling Event** and to all who brought in electronics to be recycled. You are helping to save and protect God's gifts.

The coats that you brought in were brought to the Woodridge Food Pantry.

The **Green Team**

Concert to stomp homelessness one family at a time

The Neverly Brothers will bring their acclaimed show to the St. Scholastica gymnasium (7800 Janes Ave, Woodridge) on January 16, 2016. Show starts at 7:30 pm. This dynamic trio performs favorite hits spanning from the 1950s to 1964 that will have you up dancing, clapping and singing along. During the show, titled "A Rock N' Roll Evolution," the group will briefly trace how one musical genre gave birth to another and changed music forever. Tickets will be on sale for \$25 on the weekends of November 7-8, 14-15 and 21-22 at the Welcome Desk in St. Scholastica and at the parish office. Seating is limited. A cash bar will be available. Call the office at 630-985-2351, ext. 297. The show is a fundraiser for Daybreak Transitional Housing Ministry.

Christ the Servant will have a Christmas Bazaar

in the narthex the weekend of Dec. 5/6. Limited space is available; we request a donation which will be given to Hope's Front Door ministry in Downers Grove. Questions? Call the office at 630-910-0770.



Religious Formation



**Grades K-7 NO sessions this week—
Happy Thanksgiving!**

Confirmation 8th Grade Next Classes:

Sunday Sessions - December 13th

Wednesday Sessions - December 16th

Service Project - Thanksgiving Dinner Pickup

Sunday November 22nd

11:00 am - 1:00 pm



**Congratulations to the children
who celebrated their
1st Reconciliation
on November 21st.**

Thank you to the 6th & 7th grade
RF students who helped with the hospitality
that followed the celebration.



**This year's RF Christmas Program will
be Friday December 18th at 7:00pm.**

Please make sure that you have
returned your RF Christmas Program
participation form.



Join us as we read and discuss
The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis.
We will meet at 11:15am on Sunday
Dec 6 and Dec 13.

The cost of the book is \$12.
For more information contact Liz Jesse.

**Christ the Servant Religious
Formation has a Facebook page!
[www.facebook.com/
ctswoodridgerf.org](http://www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org)
"Like" us!**



Christ the Servant families are
being asked to dress the **F.A.C.T.
Youth Group (Grades 6-8) GIVING
TREE** with donations of new hats,
mittens & gloves for children. They
will be donated to Hope's Front
Door (formerly NW DuPage Walk-In Ministry)
and St. Ethelreda. Monetary donations are also
welcome.

Please bring donations by December 6th.

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.

**Last chance to order for this year is
November 29th.**

Simply Medicare

FREE seminar, offered as a public service
to the parishioners of Christ the Servant
December 3, 2015, 7:00 pm, here at church
Register to guarantee seating (630-418-0906)

Presenter: Maribeth FencI

Community Relations, Barra & Associates

Are you intimidated by Medicare? Would you like to
understand the basics, to make it easier to under-
stand your choices? Parishioner Maribeth FencI is a
licensed insurance broker certified by Medicare. She
partners with multiple carriers like BCBS, Humana,
AARP, Equitable, Heartland and Combined Insur-
ance. Medicare education provides knowledge and
peace of mind in choosing the right Medicare health
plan.

Learn how to navigate Medicare by understanding
Original Medicare A & B as well as the difference
between Medicare Advantage programs versus
Medicare Supplements. Explore how Medicare Part
D plans work.

In Pursuit of Catholic Education

Joliet Catholic Academy in JOliet has notified us that the
following parishioner of Christ the Servant achieved A
Honor Roll for the first quarter:

Alexander M

Congratulations on your accomplishment and keep up the
good work!

MINISTERS FOR THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 26, 2015 9:00 AM		Next Weekend's MINISTERS		
		Saturday November 28 4:45 PM	Sunday November 29 8:30 AM	Sunday November 29 10:00 AM
N Family	<u>ALTAR MIN:</u>	MINISTERS NEEDED	C Family	Maria F Gayle H
Rita S Annie T Andrea W	<u>EXT. MINISTERS:</u>	Deacon F Gregory P Rita S Jean T MINISTER NEEDED	Cheryl F Mathew M Jim N Dan S Heather S	Ed J Madeline J Michael L Dan R Maureen V
Gregory Peck P C	<u>LECTORS:</u>	Jerry F Bob C	Paula R Barb K	Antonio A Virginia A
Mathew M Steve W	<u>HOST TEAMS:</u>	Maryrose G Steve W	C Family	R Family

Respect for All Life

The Victory of Our King

"A Kingdom of truth and life, a Kingdom of holiness and grace, a Kingdom of justice, love, and peace..."

~Preface, Liturgy of Christ the King



Jesus is Lord, not only of individuals, but of nations and the entire universe. All history finds its fulfillment in Him. The Dominion of Christ over all creation is shown in the fact He has conquered death. That is why His followers respect all life. They bear witness to His Kingdom and look forward to His Second Coming.

Lord Jesus, continue to extend Your victory over death through the work of Your disciples.

submitted by Dave A

Learn about a Priestly Vocation

Once again this year, the Joliet Diocese is inviting young men ages 16-40, along with their parish priests, to the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet on Friday, November 27th, from 9 am-3 pm. The day will include Mass, talks from priests and seminarians, lunch, and time to answer questions about the priesthood. Parents are welcome to accompany their sons.

This year the Joliet diocese has 40 seminarians studying for the priesthood. For more information and registration, contact Fr. Burke Masters, Joliet Diocese Director of Vocations. 815-221-6171. See poster in the narthex about our seminarians.

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 after daily mass each M—Th during Advent, 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, December 3, 7:00-8:00 PM**

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Cindy Giannini

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 21

4:45 PM Gregory Cain, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*
People of the Parish

Sunday, November 22

8:30 AM Jean Rendak, *r. Rendak & Gierut families*
10:00 AM Christ the Servant Adult Choir, *r. Jean Durran*
Janet Moushon, *r. Jean Durran*

Monday, November 23

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 24

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

Wednesday, November 25

8:30 AM Virginia Kozlowski



Thursday, November 26-Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Friday, November 27—Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, November 28

4:45 PM Fr. Frank Vitus, *r. Donna Mays*
RoseMary DiVincenzo, *r. Vince DiVincenzo*
Larry Carroo, *r. Barb Carroo*

Sunday, November 29

8:30 AM Joe Florio, *r. Carmella Florio*
Andrew Iovito, Jr., *r. Andie Wolfe*
Fr. Frank Vitus, *40th anniversary of ordination*
10:00 AM Pearl & Harry Lesniewski, *r. Sister Suzanne Lesniewski*
Sylvia Cordes, *r. Tom & Chris Bojanowski*
People of the Parish

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

We pray for the Sick

Theo Buck	Virginia Konczalski	Paula Sedlacek
Donna Ciolek	Ben Lacson	Jeff Siegmund
Helen Ciolek	Dorothy Nagl	Mary Skrzypczynski
Jeff Coole	Peggy Laughlin	Roger Terry
Holly Derrico	Thomas O'Donnell	Elaine Thomas
Jay Dunn	Tim Palmer	Mary Vanderplow
Danny Gordon	Alie Phillips	Rick Vendl
Bill Hanen	Pauline Popek	Kelley Wilson
Bp. Joseph Imesch	Steve Potter	Jane Wiviott
Brian Jackson	Dan Ryan	Joe Zapalac
Jeff Joyce	Ron Rydzewski	
Mary Ann Kelly	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



Vernie Coney
(mother of Brenda Czarapata)

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.

TRUE GRATITUDE

Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds.

—Theodore Roosevelt

Bible Readings—November 22-29

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: Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

MONDAY: Dn 1:1-6,8-20 / Lk 21:1-4

TUESDAY: Dn 2:31-45 / Lk 21:5-11

WEDNESDAY: Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28 / Lk 21:12-19

THURSDAY: Is 63:7-9 / Col 3:12-17 / Lk 1:39-55

FRIDAY: Dn 7:2-14 / Lk 21:29-33

SATURDAY: Dn 7:15-27 / Lk 21:34-36

SUNDAY: Jer 33:14-16 / 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 / Lk 21:25-28,34-36

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

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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

Thanksgiving Dinners accepted

Sunday, November 22

10:00 am—CLOW

10:00 am—Thanksgiving dinners need to be here

6:00 pm—Ecumenical Prayer

Service, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Monday, November 23

Tuesday, November 24

7:00 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 25

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 26

9:00 am—Thanksgiving Mass

Offices closed.

Friday, Nov. 27-Communion Service

8:30 am—Communion Service

Offices closed.

Saturday, November 28

Sunday, November 29

11:00 am—Manna orders due

Upcoming Events

Nov. 26, 9:00 am, Thanksgiving mass

Nov. 26/27: Offices closed

Dec. 4: Holiday Centerpiece Event

Dec. 5: Christmas Sharing signups begin

Dec. 5/6: CTS Christmas Bazaar

Dec. 8: 8:30 am & 7:00 pm.

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Dec. 14: 7:30 pm, Simbang Gabi

Dec. 18: 7:00 pm, RF Christmas program

Dec. 24: no morning mass, Christmas masses 4:00 pm & 10:00 pm.

Dec. 25: Christmas mass 10:00 am

Parish Giving

Today's second reading reminds us that the sacrifice of Christ frees us from sin and makes us a royal nation of priests in the service of God. How am I using my gifts to serve God and others?

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2015-2016

Parish Expenses \$ 6,820.00

Mortgage Payment 3,350.00

Total Needed **\$ 10,170.00**

CONTRIBUTIONS Nov. 10-Nov. 16:

Sunday 11/15 6,058.97

Sunday other forms 560.00

General Funds 710.27

Debt Reduction 180.00

Total Contributed \$ 7,509.24

CONTRIBUTIONS to charity:

CCHD \$ 100.00

RESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS:

Electronic Recycling \$ 1.75

Landscaping/outdoor gardening 25.00

Differential report for week:

Needed \$ 10,170.00

Reported this week 7,509.24

Deficit this period \$ (2,660.76)

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

Debt to Diocese as of 10/31 \$453,905

Registered Households—736

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...over the last 12 months, our electric bill has averaged \$1,013.04.

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