

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

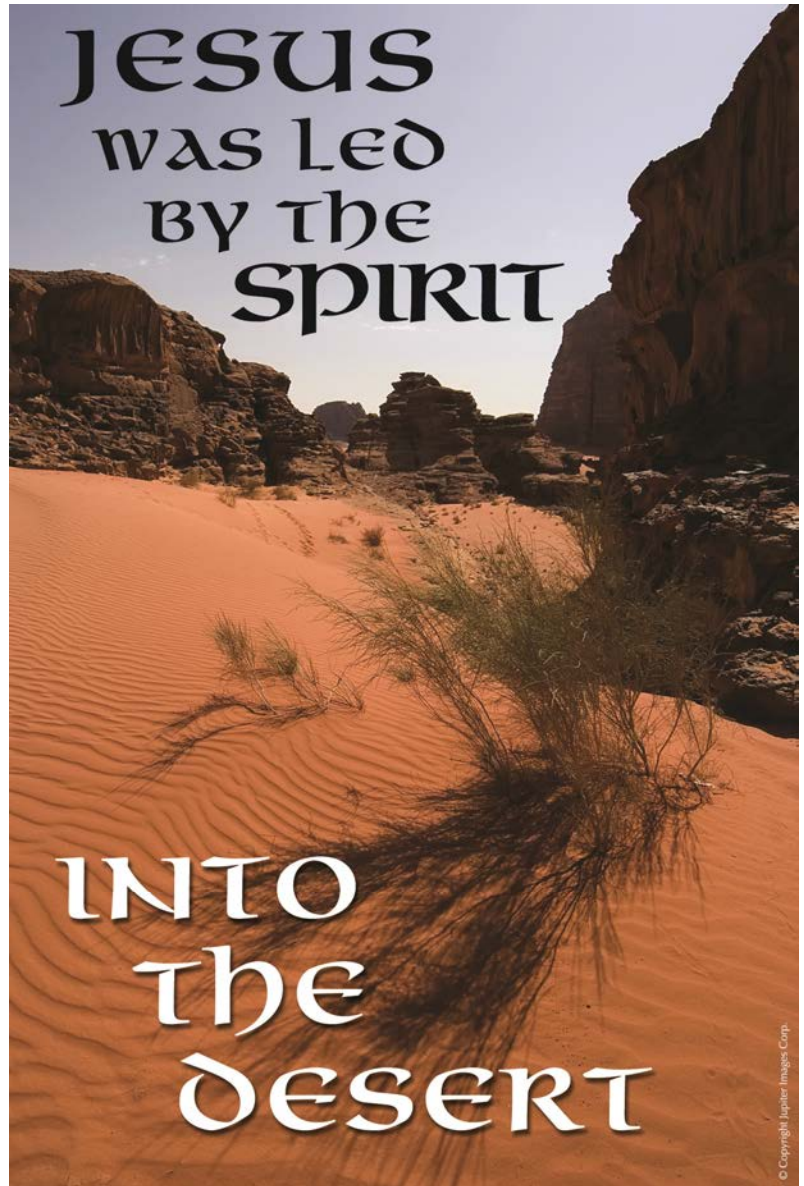
The Joy of Living a Giving Life

February 14, 2016

First Sunday of Lent

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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 wants to live amongst his sons and daughters. Let us make space for him in our hearts.



First Sunday of Lent

Into the desert. Off we go to a less than usual place. It will look like our same neighborhood and town. But these 40 Days in the desert of Lent will feel and taste quite different. Or they should. We set off into Lent to practice these three things: praying, fasting, giving.

- Let us pray at the font to restore our lives to baptismal purity as well as pray for those who will enter that bath this Easter Vigil.
- Let us fast from rich food and fine drink to focus on those in need and things eternal.
- Let us give up things (perhaps temporarily), give up bad behavior (for ever!) in order to give our lives over to the dead and risen Christ.

Courtesy Eliot Kapitan, Diocese of Springfield (IL)

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.



thanks!

The Mardi Gras party held Friday, Feb. 5, was an excellent evening of friends, food, fellowship, music, costumes, dancing, and good fun.

The program distributed that night listed the many people who worked to make the evening possible (as far as this writer knows—any omissions are accidental). Of particular note are the chairperson of the event, and co-chair of the Parish Life Commission, Jean D. Tony A and Linda K provided entertainment while the DJ had his scheduled break. People who helped with cleanup the following day include: Ramon J (thank you for sharing your carpet cleaning expertise!), Ted B, Bob C, John C, Bill & Donna C, Jim D, Ted F, Bill K & granddaughter Khloe, and Dan R.

Local businesses also supported our event, whether through donations of gift certificates for door prize drawings or helping offset costs with recognition in the program booklet. If you have a chance, be sure to thank:

Clara's Restaurant
Country House Restaurant
Divine Savior Parish
Gerharz-Cappetta Funeral Home
Dr. Robert F. Girgis, DDS
Hallowell & James Funeral Home
Jameson's Charhouse
Jewel--Osco
Mane Exchange
Matty's Restaurant
Modell Funeral Home
Steven's Restaurant

Grand Raffle prizes were won by Mary Ann B, Gordon S, and Cheryl F.

Last, but not least, we thank Fr. Bob for being here as our pastor, all the people who attended, and those who weren't able to come but helped make the evening a success through purchasing Grand Raffle Tickets or donating decorations and sweets for the sweet table.



The next Manna sale is starting! This one is timed perfectly for Easter—gift giving, gift cards for the Food Pantry to help Easter be a happier time for families in need, and don't forget grocery stores for purchasing what you need for the big family meal! Order forms in the narthex.

2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

**Please Participate!
Your Gift Makes a
Difference!**

If you made a gift or pledge to the 2016 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal, **thank you!!**

If you have not made your contribution to the 2016 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal, please consider doing so online at www.jolietdioceseappeal.org, via mail, or by returning one of our Commitment/In-Pew Weekend envelopes at mass. (Extra envelopes are available in the narthex, and you may place them in the regular collection.)

One pledge can make a difference, especially when combined with all of the other pledges made throughout the diocese. Please prayerfully consider providing your financial support to this Appeal "Chosen by God's Grace." You can make a real difference!

After our parish exceeds its CMAA goal of \$36,755 in paid pledges, 65% of any additional funds are returned for use in our parish.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

"Best Lent Ever!"

Yes, you can give up chocolate for Lent, but make this the "Best Lent Ever" and join in prayer for the unborn. Use the power of prayer, and use it often. More than 65 million children have lost their lives since Roe vs Wade. That is many millions more lives than have been lost in all the wars since the founding of our country. Your prayer for a "Culture of Life" is powerful. Join in prayer: privately, week day Rosary for the Unborn, and/or on 75th Street in Downers Grove through Palm Sunday, from 7 am-7 pm. See the table in the narthex for more information, and to sign up for your prayerful support.

Welcome

Welcome to our parish family:

James & Ann K
Park Ave, Downers Grove

If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available each weekend on the table in the narthex. Pick up a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!



*Through the Waters of Baptism,
the faith community of
Christ the Servant Parish
welcomes*

Cameron Russell and Maxwell Dennis,
twin sons of
Eric & Laura N
February 7, 2016

CASH 4 FOOD

Did you know that 351,484 Illinoisans age 50+ did NOT have balanced meals or enough to eat in 2014?

That's one of the reasons Christ the Servant supports the West Suburban Community Food Pantry with Cash donations, donated Paper Goods & Food Items.

CASH FOR FOOD Donations to the WDCFP are most appreciated. Any cash amount is welcome! Donated **FOOD ITEMS** are very welcome and appreciated. Donated **PAPER GOODS** are especially useful! There is a constant need for any paper product for in-home use.

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 27 & 28

Please drop off your FOOD ITEMS & PAPER GOODS in the parking lot before Mass. A CASH 4 FOOD Donation Box will be available in the Narthex for your convenience. Please make checks payable to the West Suburban Community Food Pantry.

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Religious Formation

Grades K-7

Sessions meet Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation Next Classes:

Sunday Sessions - February 14th

Wednesday Sessions - February 17th

(Have you turned in your Saint Paper,
Sponsor & Sacrament Forms?)

If you have any make-ups due...now is the time!

Feb 28th - Gifts of the Spirit Day - 1:00-3:00pm



Families with Active Catholic Teens

Thank you for supporting the F.A.C.T. Chocolate Sale last weekend! Proceeds support our Youth Activities.



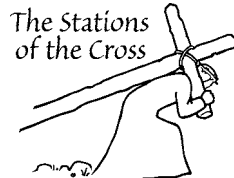
Service Opportunities:

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

Friday March 25th

7:00pm - Living Stations of the Cross
Teen Leaders needed.

(Practice will be Wednesday, March 23rd at 6:30 pm)



Parent and Child 1st Eucharist Retreat Saturday, February 20th, 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 1st 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 1st Eucharist.



Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!
www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org
"Like" us!

Over 55 Ladies Club

Ladies Lunch Out

Tuesday, February 23, 2015, 1:00 PM at

Francesca's Restaurant

(in the Promenade Mall)

641 Boughton Rd, Bolingbrook

Call Virginia D at 630-322-6552

or

Patti C at 630-739-2339

New members welcome!

The mailing you recently received with the Lenten highlights and Easter décor

inserts was brought to you by Collette C, Irene K, Donna M, Carol & Denny P, Pat S, Rita S, Marijane T, Dolores V, Therese W and Shirley W. Many thanks for your time!

If you would like to know when this kind of project is going on, please call Corinne in the parish office, and say you would like to be added to the "Office Help" list.



Knights of Columbus Scholarship Applications due April 15

STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Accredited University, College or Trade School may apply for the **LEONARD M. JARKA HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP**. The Scholarship application and eligibility requirements may be obtained from the Parish Office, from the bulletin board in the narthex, downloaded from the www.kofc5918.org or by contacting Scholarship Chairman Jim Schmidt at 630-728-4784. **The deadline for applications is April 15, 2016.** Applications can be submitted via email, US Mail or delivered in person to a Knights of Columbus Council Officer or the Scholarship Chairman. Scholarships will be awarded at the end of May 2016.

Tired of seeing the same names over and over? One of the names you see could be yours—and then you wouldn't see the other names as often! It doesn't take any longer to serve at mass than it does to come, and the role you fulfill is needed and satisfying. Find out how!

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:**

Saturday
February 20
4:45 PM

N Family

EXT. MINISTERS:

Ken H
Ed J
Madeline J
Terri M
Deb G

LECTORS:

Gregory P
Kathy V

HOST TEAMS:

D family

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
February 21
8:30 AM

P family

Donna C
Cindy F
Mathew M
Dan S
Heather S

Joe C
Marjorie C

Cathy B
Marijane T

Sunday
February 21
10:00 AM

Maria F
Gayle H

Antonio A
Patti C
Judy E
Dan R
Maureen V

Toni M
Steve W

T/S family

Respect for All Life

Family Life Teaches Us How to Forgive

One of the reasons we hurt our loved ones is because we're with them all the time. Sharing a household, there are plenty of reasons for family members to become irritated with one another.

At home, we see our family members at their best and worst. Most of the irritants pass quickly and are forgotten, but sometimes the wounds run deeper and can do lasting damage if they remain untreated. The ultimate healing is called forgiveness. Of course, it's not always easy to forgive a person who has wronged us, because our pride often gets in the way. But when we fail to forgive, grudges and hatreds can make our inner life painful. But the Lord has taught us to pray each day: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." And He warns us: "If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions." We need to go to the source of forgiveness. And we do this by regularly making a good, honest, unburdening confession of our sins in the sacrament of reconciliation.

~Archbishop William E. Lori, Supreme Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus, Columbia Magazine.

submitted by Dave A

We continue to invite you to choose a book from the table in the narthex, and/or donate a book.



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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 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, or emergency meals, 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 17, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Kathleen Heneghan

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 13

4:45 PM Valery Shulik, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*
Salvador Young, *r. Rosaurio & Nenita Luyon*
People of the Parish

Sunday, February 14

8:30 AM Helen Ciolek, *r. Corinne Hanson*
10:00 AM Valery Shulik, *r. Tom & Chris Bojanowski*

Monday, February 15

8:30 AM Edward P. Chaja, *r. James Wilfinger*

Tuesday, February 16

8:30 AM Chet Veneskey, *r. Donna Mays*
Jennifer Carroo, *r. Barb Carroo*

Wednesday, February 17

8:30 AM Joan Ostrand, *r. Sister Brigid & Eileen Bonner*

Thursday, February 18

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, February 19-Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, February 20

4:45 PM Bernie Kopera, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*
Joseph Riedl, Senior, *r. family*
Salvador Young, *r. Rosaurio & Nenita Luyon*

Sunday, February 21

8:30 AM Shirley Gil, *r. Dave & Ginny Anderson*
People of the Parish
10:00 AM Richard Regnier, *r. Carol Hanen*

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

Bible Readings—Feb. 14-Feb. 21

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: Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13

MONDAY: Lv 19:1-2,11-18 / Mt 25:31-46

TUESDAY: Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY: Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32

THURSDAY: Est C: 12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

FRIDAY: Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY: Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

SUNDAY: Gn 15:5-12,17-18 / Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1 /
Lk 9:28b-36

We pray for the Sick

Bernice Deron	Renee W. Madrid	Paula Sedlacek
Holly Derrico	Loretta Novak	Jeff Siegmund
Nathaniel Eagleson	Jackie Nemic	Mary Skrzypczynski
Jim Gregar	Thomas O'Donnell	Roger Terry
Dorothy Gomolinski	Mary Palmquist	Elaine Thomas
Bill Hanen	Alie Phillips	Mary Vanderplow
Joanne Keefe	Pauline Popek	Rick Vendl
Donna Kline	Mary Lou Reed	Joe Zapalac
Betty Kozlowski	Virginia Ryan	
George Kurgan	Ron Rydzewski	
Peggy Laughlin	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



Claryce Derek
(mother of Karen Jackson)

Maria Kozicki
(mother of Bernadette Campbell)

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.

First Sunday of Lent—February 14, 2016



*The word is near you,
in your mouth
and in your heart.*

— Romans 10:8

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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dcnfricke@ctswoodridge.org

Rod Accardi, Permanent Deacon
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Corinne Hanson, Bus. Manager *Ext. 10*

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 Religious Formation Director *Ext. 12*

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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

Sunday, February 14

8:30 am—Confirmation Class

10:00 am—CLOW

Monday, February 15

Tuesday, February 16

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Wednesday, February 17

9:00 am—*Mercy Book Study*

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

6:30-8:00 pm—Confirmation Class

Thursday, February 18

5:00 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:00 pm—Admin/Finance Comm.

Friday, February 19

7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross

led by Deacon Rod Accardi

Girl Scout Cookies

Saturday, February 20

8:30 am—Worship Commission

10:00 am—1st Eucharist retreat

10:30 am—Christian Service Comm.

Sunday, February 21

10:00 am—CLOW

Upcoming Events

Feb. 29: 7:00 pm, Lenten Reconciliation Service

Each Friday of Lent: Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm

Mar. 16: 7:00 pm, "Sikh 101"; information about the religion of Sikhism.

Parish Giving

The goal of our Lenten journey is to renew and deepen our relationship with God. May we seek to grow stronger spiritually by resisting temptation and by repenting of our sins. As we turn away from sin, we will come to love the Lord more fully. That love will flow from us into all aspects of our lives and subsequently affect the lives of others

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2015-2016

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

CONTRIBUTIONS Feb. 3-Feb. 9:

Sunday 2/7	8,205.00
Sunday other forms	1,002.00
General Funds	456.93
Debt Reduction	<u>1,703.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 11,366.93

CONTRIBUTIONS to charity:

Latin America	\$ 10.00
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Differential report for week:

Needed	\$ 10,170.00
Reported (this week)	11,366.93
Catch up this period	\$ 1,196.93

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

Debt to Diocese as of 1/31	\$414,460
Registered Households	—746

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...the bulletin editor will be on vacation from Feb. 18-28. Any bulletin articles for 2/21 or 2/28 bulletins must be submitted by the end of the business day February 15.

Leave a Legacy. Learn how to leave a legacy for the parish by calling the Development Office at 815-221-6100.

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