

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

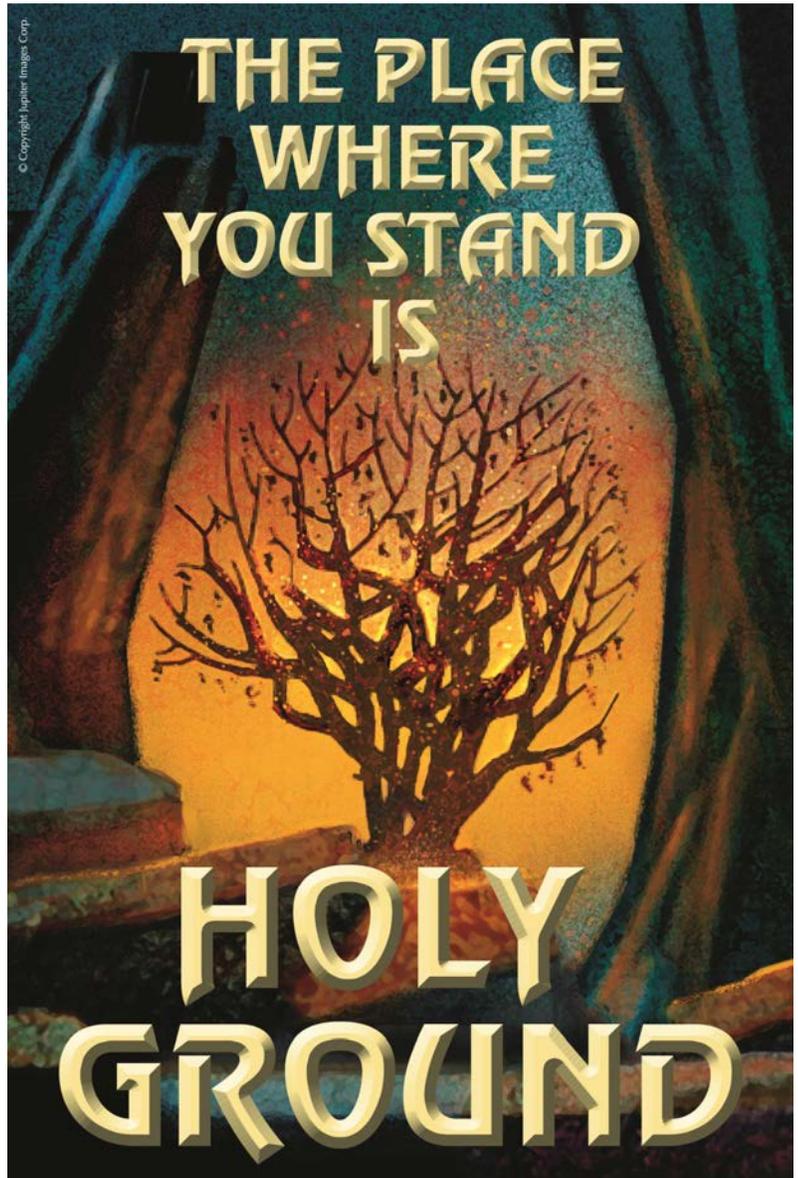
February 28, 2016

Third Sunday of Lent

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Fr. Bob update: His hand is recovering from the surgery. However, latest word is that he will not be able to drive until March 10. Weekdays will have communion services until March 14.



This QR code is a link to the CTS website!



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!
In Jesus I have met the one who is able to bring out the best in me.



Third Sunday of Lent

I AM. You are. We are. Our ancestors in faith, the good people of Israel, have a name for God that is never spoken. They see YHWH and say instead “The

LORD”. That same LORD met Moses—in the desert, no less—looking like fire flaming out of a bush that was not consumed and introduced himself as “I AM”. What a name! The name for an unburned bush. The name of the One who witnesses affliction. The name for the God who hears, who knows, and who saves. Saves them. Saves me. Saves us.

- Let us spend some focused time with I AM this Holy Year in this cherished Lent.
- Let us look for those in need; let us say, “You are known and loved by God. Let me ____.”
- Let us admit that we are loved as well by I AM.

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.



FROM BISHOP CONLON

**Special Collection for Catholic Relief Services/
March 5/6, 2016**

Each time we encounter a suffering person, we encounter Jesus in disguise. The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC) funds six Catholic agencies that serve the disguised Jesus in our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. His disguise might be that of those suffering from natural disaster, those displaced by violence or war, or those migrants searching for a better life. Your support of this collection is an opportunity to **help Jesus in disguise.**

Your donations will help feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees through the **USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)**; give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Bolivia and Ethiopia through the humanitarian work of **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**; offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants through the **Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)**; reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers through the pastoral work of the **USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church**; advocate on behalf of Jesus in the poor and abandoned through the public policy work of the **USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development**; send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disasters through the **Holy Father's Relief Fund.**

Thank you for your generosity in next week's collection for Catholic Relief Services. Your support will truly make a difference.

+ R. Daniel Conlon

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s)

Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 4-6, 2016. Cost is \$197 for meals and a single room. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Call (312) 532-8286, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation (aka Confession)

Christ the Servant will be having a Lenten Reconciliation Service with opportunity for private confessions on Monday, February 29, at 7:00 pm. There will be a brief prayer service, and there will be several priests here available to hear your confessions.

"God never tires of forgiving us! The problem is that... at times we get tired of asking for forgiveness."
~Pope Francis

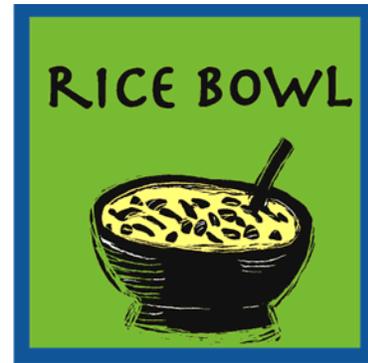
Make time on this Leap Year Day to spend some time experiencing the mercy of God in the sacrament of reconciliation. No appointments required! Just show up at 7 pm on the 29th.

The Green Team Collects...

Greeting cards are collected for various organizations. Blank cards are given to Prison Ministry, cards with words in them are donated to Villa St. Benedictine Gift shop and a Resale shop in Lemont. Used cards that are no bigger than 5x7 in size, and are not Hallmark, American Greetings or Disney and have no writing on the inside cover are cut and sent to St. Jude's Ranch for Kids in Nevada. There they make new cards out of them and sell them.



If you have more ideas on what we could recycle, please let Nancy R know.



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Did you know that your Rice bowl comes with a Lenten calendar that has daily thoughts, as well as a meatless recipe from a different country for each week? This coming week, the focus is on the African nation of Rwanda, where we're reminded to care for the unborn. This week we pray for pregnant mothers, that they may have the medical and nutritional support they need to raise healthy, thriving children. Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

How about you try one of the recipes this week, and send a review to ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org? We might be able to share it in a future bulletin.

The **Respect for All Life from Conception to Natural Death Committee** will meet Tuesday, Mar. 8th, at 7 p.m. at Marjorie C's home. For more information call David A. New members are welcome. Projects include Respect for All Life from Conception to Natural Death which includes: the unborn, mothers, fathers, children, students, marriage, the homebound & the ill, end to human trafficking, prisoners and needs of humankind.

2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

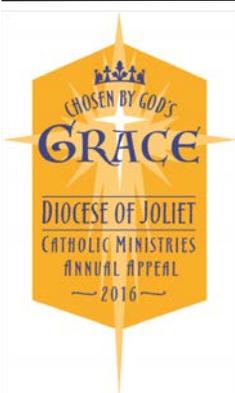
Please Participate! Your Gift Makes a Difference!

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.



Religious Formation

Grades K-7

Sessions meet Tuesday and Wednesday

Confirmation Next Classes:

Sunday Sessions - March 6th

Wednesday Sessions - March 9th

(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

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)



Catechist Formation: The meeting originally scheduled for March 6th will be re-scheduled.



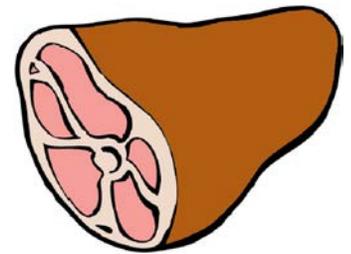
**Christ the Servant
Religious Formation has a
Facebook page!
[www.facebook.com/
ctswoodridgerf.org](http://www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org)
"Like" us!**



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.

EASTER HAMS

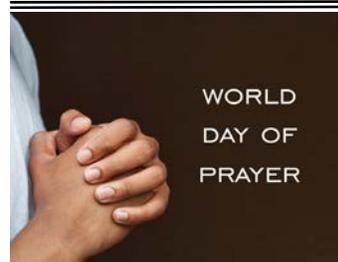
A long-standing tradition here at Christ the Servant is to provide hams to the West Suburban Food Pantry in time for Easter for families in need.



You may double your good deed by purchasing a gift card (see Manna above) which you use when you go to the grocery store to buy the ham—then, the family in need receives a nice ham, and the parish receives a small profit from the sale of the gift card.

Whatever method you choose to purchase a ham, the preferred drop off time is after the 10:30 am mass on Palm Sunday, March 20. You may drop them off as early as 8:00 am, but please do bring them only on Sunday, as we do not have enough refrigerator space to store them overnight.

Questions about the ham donation project? Please contact Denice K.



WORLD
DAY OF
PRAYER

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: Friday, March 4th we celebrate the "World Day of Prayer". Holy Hour will follow the Communion Service in Christ the Servant's Eucharistic Chapel. The INTENTION

will be for PEACE. Join in saying the Rosary, Divine Mercy Litany, Chaplet of the Divine mercy, Chaplet of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and "The Way of the Cross for the Holy Souls in Purgatory". If we want peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our church, in our community, in our country, and in our world we need to Pray for Peace. JOIN IN PRAYING FOR PEACE ON THE "WORLD DAY OF PRAYER".

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
March 5
4:45 PM

M family

EXT. MINISTERS:

Patti C
Ken H
Mary K
Marylou R
Annie T

LECTORS:

Ramon J
Bob C

HOST TEAMS:

Maryrose G
Pat S

Next Weekend's MINISTERS

Sunday
March 6
8:30 AM

Bill C
Mathew M

John C
Cheryl F
Dan S
Heather S
Lee W

Donna C
Therese K

Cathy B
Marijane T

Sunday
March 6
10:00 AM

Maria F
Gayle H

Judy E
Tim G
Michael L
Dan R
Maureen V

Kristen M
Paul M

G family

Respect for All Life

The Gift of Catholic Education

Earlier this month, Catholic schools across the country celebrated Catholic Schools week. This annual week of celebration gives us the opportunity to reflect upon the important role Catholic education



plays in the life and mission of the church. For parents, the choice of a school is one of the most important decisions they make in their child's life. Many parents understand the priceless gift of a Catholic education and the task that our schools play in assisting them as primary educators of their children. Generally, there are 3 reasons parents embrace Catholic schools for their children:

1) **Community**—to be part of a thriving, joy-filled community throughout the week, including Mass on the weekend; 2) **Faith Formation**—knowing the Catholic school will reinforce the faith that our family lives at home and will provide the necessary formation for academic, social, and moral development; and 3) **Academics**—noting the impressive overall results Catholic schools produce, parents are often willing to make the sacrifices needed to provide for this type of education. Consider the gift of a Catholic education for your children or grandchildren.

~by Sister Cecilia Joseph, OP, principal of St. Jude Catholic School (Joliet); *Christ Is Our Hope* magazine

submitted by Dave A

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

Marie Peterek

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 27

4:45 PM James Leninger, *r. family*
Ted & Betty Jamski, *56th wedding anniversary*

Sunday, February 28

8:30 AM Dennis Wirth, *r. Marge Buch*
10:00 AM Don Hendrich, *r. Donna Mays*
People of the Parish

Monday, February 29

8:30 AM Donna Kline, Sp. Int, *r. Jackie Nemec*

Tuesday, March 1

8:30 AM Teresa Ranalli, *r. Bob & Jan Szykowny*

Wednesday, March 2

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, March 3

8:30 AM Eleanor M. Weber, *r. Dan & Janet Szymanski*

Friday, March 4-Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, March 5

4:45 PM Joseph Riedl, Senior, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*
Claryce Derek, *r. Pat Savage*
People of the Parish

Sunday, March 6

8:30 AM Ricky Kopp, *r. Marge Buch*
Edna & Maribeth Wall, *r. Gary Wall*
10:00 AM Dan Ryan, *r. Christ the Servant Adult Choir*
Lynn Zelenka, *r. Jim & MaryAnn Gilroy*

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

Bible Readings—Feb. 28-Mar. 6

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: Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 / 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 / Lk 13:1-9

MONDAY: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab / Lk 4:24-30

TUESDAY: Dn 3:25,34-43 / Mt 18:21-35

WEDNESDAY: Dt 4:1,5-9 / Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY: Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23

FRIDAY: Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34

SATURDAY: Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14

SUNDAY: Jos 5:9A,10-12 / 2 Cor 5:17-21 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32

We pray for the Sick

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

*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

Dan Fialek, nephew of Jerry Fialek

Eric Graslie, 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.

DAVID HAAS IN CONCERT

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, will host renowned liturgical composer David Haas for a concert and workshop on Friday and Saturday, March 11-12. The concert, which will be open to the public and take place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m., on Friday, March 11. The workshop, "A Spiritual and Musical Journey for the Beloved of God," will take place from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., on Saturday, March 12, in the O'Shaughnessy Dining Hall. Cost for the concert is \$10; cost for the workshop is \$20 and includes a box lunch. Tickets for the concert and workshop may be purchased online by registering at events.sistersofprovidence.org. Tickets for the concert may also be purchased the evening of the performance. For more information or to register, call 812-535-2952 or email jfrost@spsmw.org.

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

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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

Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast Cash for Food Drive

Sunday, February 28

10:00 am—CLOW

1:00-3:30—Confirmation Gifts of the Spirit Retreat

Monday, February 29

7:00 pm—Lenten Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 1

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Wednesday, March 2

9:00 am—*Mercy* Book Study

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Thursday, March 3

5:00 pm—Joyful Noise Rehearsal

7:00 pm—Admin/Finance Comm.

Friday, March 4

7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross
 led by Christian Service Commission

Saturday, March 5

Sunday, March 6

8:30 am—Confirmation Class

10:00 am—CLOW

11:00 am—Manna orders due

Upcoming Events

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.

Mar. 20 & Mar. 27: The 10 am mass will begin at 10:30 am.

Parish Giving

Lent is a call to action; a time for pruning; a time to cut away the unwanted negative thoughts and misdeeds that keep us from loving God and our neighbor as we should. Our branches need to be cut back so that we will produce with greater abundance the fruits of the Kingdom of God.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2015-2016

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

CONTRIBUTIONS reporting will catch up next week.

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

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know... while we try to be as conservative as possible with heat and lighting, our most recent gas bill was \$483.46 and the most recent electric bill was \$915.23. Thank you for your support which enables the parish to pay its bills.

Leave a Legacy. Lent provides an opportunity to strengthen our devotion to God through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Perhaps this is the time to Leave a Legacy by making a planned gift to our parish or diocese. Learn how by calling 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. Or call the Development office at 815-221-6100.

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