

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Serving God from your Heart

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 6, 2019



*They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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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.

Pope Francis' Tweet for the Week
 Christ is born for us! Come, all you who are seeking the face of God.
 Here He is, the child lying in the manger.

Living Stewardship Now

Kingly gifts . . .

. . . for God: Love God, receive the sacraments, pray, study God's word.

. . . for the Church: Serve in a parish ministry, contribute to the offertory, support the missions.

. . . for your community: Recycle, conserve natural resources, vote.

. . . for family and friends: Make time for children, keep an open door, relax together.

. . . for yourself: Eat good food, exercise, develop your abilities, and be thankful!

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HELP WANTED: ART & ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

We are seeking someone with a love for liturgy, good artistic sense, and available during the day sometimes to lead the Art & Environment team into our future. Denice k has been coordinating the group of volunteers for several years, and is ready to pass the torch to the next leader of our Art & Environment Team. Call 630-910-0770 for information.

What are your prayer needs?

The CTS Prayer Tree will pray for your intention. If you or a family member have a special request for prayers whether it be for healing, a job interview, travel plans, etc.; email your request **by any Monday** to prayertree@ctswoodridge.org Monday evening your request will be forwarded to our Prayer Tree members. Only the intention is forwarded to the Prayer Tree—your name will be held in confidence. Your special intention will be prayed for a one-week period. If you would like to extend the time frame, please indicate or resubmit request after your initial week. Details of your prayer request are not necessary. All information will be confidential and will be shared with only CTS Prayer Tree members.

Will you pray for others?

Send your email address to prayertree@ctswoodridge.org to become a prayer person on the Prayer Tree.

**Aunt Mary’s Storybook Project
Companions Journeying Together – Innovative
services for incarcerated**

Aunt Mary’s Storybook Project is a program that takes children’s books to jails and prisons. The detainees are then allowed to pick out a book for their child/ children. A recording is then made of the parent reading the book to the child, and the book and recording are sent to the child. They need children’s books from babies to teens. The books should be new or very gently used with no markings. Culturally diverse and bilingual books are most welcome. Cash donations for books are also welcome. The program helps keep parents connected to their children while they are incarcerated. It also encourages the children to read, learn and grow. It is a win-win ministry. CTS Parishioner Elena H has volunteered for many years and found it very rewarding.



Aunt Mary’s Storybook Project is part of the ministry of Companions Journeying Together which is a jail/prison ministry and so much more. You can find the information at <https://cjtin.org/>

For more information about this project at Christ the Servant, contact Rita S.

RESPECT FOR ALL LIFE Meeting

Tuesday, January 8, the Respect for All Life Committee will hold its 84th meeting since the first CTS Respect for All meeting met.

“All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

Pope Francis

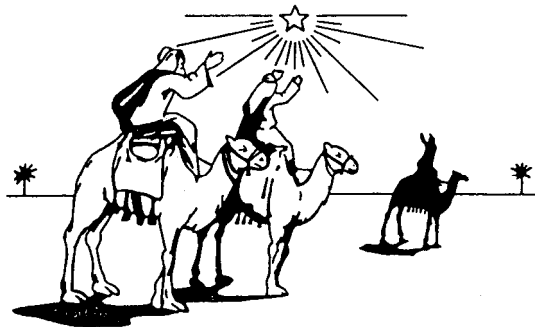
WHEN: Tuesday, Jan. 8th after the 8:45 a.m. Mass

WHERE: CTS Kitchen area

TOPICS: 46th Anniversary of Roe vs Wade, Mass for the Unborn

QUESTIONS: Call David A, Rita S-and/or Andie W

“No law can give me the Right to do what is Wrong.”
Abraham Lincoln



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Gluten free

Gluten-Free Hosts:

Gluten free hosts are available for persons who are gluten intolerant. Place a gluten free host in the pyx on the offertory table (on your left as you enter the church) and then

make sure you are in Father’s line for communion. The first time or two, you may need to indicate that you need the gluten free host.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to civil authorities. Contact: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) or local police.

The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Conlon and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

Epiphany—a Striking Appearance

This is truly a seven-way amazing day.

1. Easterners fix on a star.
2. Those Magi follow yet lose their way.
3. Magi ask for help to get to the right place.
4. They honor God.
5. They give away riches.
6. They pay attention to [God speaking in] dreams.
7. They go a new way.

- For what, for whom am I looking?
- What help do I need? Am I brave enough to ask?
- What am I willing to give away?

*Bulletin Shorts: by Eliot Kapitan, Springfield, Illinois,
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Religious Formation

Grades 1-7 Sessions meet
this Tuesday and Wednesday
WELCOME BACK!!



8th Grade Confirmation

Next Classes:

Sunday Session - January 6th

Wednesday Session - January 9th

(Have you turned in your Saint Paper, Sacramental Info Form and Sponsor Form? If you have any make-ups due...now is the time!)

We will be having a
Teen Mass

Sunday, January 27th at 10:00am.

The teens from Christ the Servant and St. Scholastica's S.T.O.R.M. Youth Ministry will participate in the Liturgical Ministries including Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, and Musicians. Please Join us.

There will be a second collection at all three masses that weekend to support S.T.O.R.M. ministry.

F.A.C.T. Group Up-Coming Events Families with Active Catholic Teens 6th-8th graders

Sign-ups are available in the Narthex for these fun-filled activities!



1. Sunday, January 27th
after 10:00am Mass

TEEN WORK DAY - Get ready for our annual chocolate sale! Come make posters and apply our labels to **CHOCOLATE BARS**..... Stay to socialize!



2. Weekend of Feb 9/10 - after all Masses

Sign up to help sell the chocolate on the weekend before Valentine's Day!

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. There are sessions offered at neighboring parishes. To view a list of available opportunities, visit www.virtus.org. Select First-time Registrant > View list of sessions > Joliet IL (Diocese)

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....




Then we invite you to join our RCIA journey. We meet Sunday mornings at 8:30am. It's not too late to join us. Contact Liz Wagner, Director of Religious Formation, for information about the RCIA Process or if you are interested in serving on the RCIA Team and sharing your faith. 630-910-0770 x103 or liz@ctswoodridge.org

Please Pray for our catechumens:

Brandon J & Athena R.

Save the Date!



ValLimar Jansen

Storyteller, Singer, Composer

For a Preview: YouTube "ValLimar Jansen: A Closer Look"

Catechist Evening of Formation

FEBRUARY 20th, 2019

6 to 9 PM

St. Petronille in Glen Ellyn

Christ the Servant Religious Formation has a Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org

"Like" us!

Hotline Numbers for Help

Family Shelter Service Domestic Abuse	630-469-5650
National Domestic Abuse Hotline	800-799-SAFE
Illinois Adult Protective Services	866-800-1409
Will County Crisis Line	815-722-3344
Mayslake Ministries	630-852-9000
Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator	815-263-6467
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270

If you/your family would like to bring up the gifts at Mass (Bread, Wine and collection basket), just let one of the "hosts" know when you come into church. (the ones handing out the music booklets) They're always looking for volunteers!

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!



Next Weekend's **MINISTERS—Baptism of the Lord**
(Liturgical color: white)

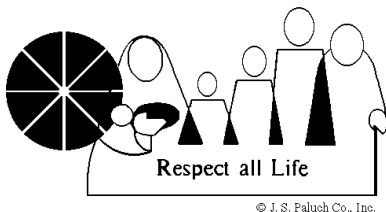
	Saturday January 12 4:45 PM	Sunday January 13 8:30 AM	Sunday January 13 10:00 AM
ALTAR MIN:	Daniel O Christine O+	Ernie P Betty P	Maria F Tim G
EXT. MINISTERS:	Patti C Deacon F Mary K Rita S Ken S	Kristen C Paula R Dan S Heather S Andrea W	Ed J Madeline J MINISTER NEEDED Dan R Jesse T
LECTORS:	Heather J Barb K	Jacqueline C Michael M	Antonio A Scott G
HOST TEAMS:	Dick D Gloria D	Cathy B Jim M	Steve W Liz W

Respect for All Life

Respect Life Creed

I believe in life, and every human being:

- is made in the image and likeness of God
- is endowed with the right to life from conception until natural death
- should be treated with dignity and sanctity



I pledge to defend life wherever I see it being disgraced. Therefore, I will respect:

- the unborn, whose tiny lie within the mother's womb reflects the miracle of creation
- the child, who stands innocently at the threshold of life waiting to be molded by my word and example
- the physically handicapped, whose physical condition only emphasizes the true richness of the soul within
- the young, whose life harbors the dreams of tomorrow
- the mentally handicapped, whose perception of this world may be different, but is no less real than mine
- the old, who have traveled down many roads that I have yet to see
- the dying, who should leave this world from loving, caring arms.
- all others, which all their failings, for their lives are an extension of mine—their sins/mine, their glory/mine.

I will do all I can to foster respect for life everywhere. Amen.

~ (from the Joliet Diocese Respect Life Ministry)

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. Steven Borello at vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org.

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, 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, February 7, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Dana Pharo and Alice Maltese

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 5

4:45 PM Jim Ruff, *r. Cathy Baker*
John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*
Gerald Johnson, *r. family*
People of the Parish

Sunday, January 6

8:30 AM Josephine Borkowski, *r. Ciolek family*
10:00 AM Betty Kozlowski, *r. family & friends*

Monday, January 7

8:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory that are near to heaven

Tuesday, January 8

10:00 AM Hank Tajkowski, Sp. Int, *r. Bernie Kestler*

Wednesday, January 9

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, January 10

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, January 11—Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, January 12

4:45 PM Al Januska, *r. Darlene, friends & family*
Joseph Riedl, Sr., *r. Lorraine & family*

Sunday, January 6

8:30 AM Stanley Farbotko, *r. Lee White*
People of the Parish

10:00 AM Harry Spataro, *r. Ciolek family*

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

Bishop Conlon has issued a decree which states that only twice per week we may combine intentions of more than one person at a single mass. The stipend is \$10. If you wish to donate more, you may direct the offering to another purpose. Excess donations not specifically directed will be forwarded to the Diocesan Finance Office to be used for the purpose of maintaining underfunded diocesan cemeteries.

We pray for the Sick

Sharon Bhaskar	Sally Krueger	Dick Rosenbeck
Noel Canto	Rachel Lawrence	John Rossi
Nathaniel Eagleson	Joyce Maples	Virginia Ryan
Carol Engel	Lucy Mathai	Jim Sanders
Jill Franklin	Cathy McIlvain	Andrew Schmith
John Gardner	Chuck Neal	Paula Sedlacek
Virginia Gebka	Gayle Newton	Jason Smith
Guy Grimmelbein	Anthony Nowak	Antoni Smykla
Tina Hansen	Carol Paul	Frank Tiesenga
Peggy Howard	Don Paul	Rick Vendl
Sr. Janet Hughes	Benjamin Pe	Dorothy Wagner
Dorothy Hunter	Kosh Potpourri	Judy Wethington
Rayna Januska	Patricia Quinn	Rita Wyman
Steve Jascewsky	Dennis Richardson	Ron Wyman
Jeanne Jordan	Joel Rivera	Ray Young
Rick Knuerr	John Robinson	Joe Zapalac
Ted Kozerski	Norbert Rojewski	

*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

Emily Dome, granddaughter of Paul & Brenda Czarapata
Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson
David Jackson, son of Cathleen & Richard Jackson
Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove
Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz
Jim Sheehan, godson of Liz Wagner
Dan Ward, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward
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—Jan. 6-Jan. 13

SUNDAY: Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

MONDAY: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6 / Mk 4:12-17,23-35

TUESDAY: 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Mk 6:34-44

WEDNESDAY: 1 Jn 4:11-18 / Mk 6:45-52

THURSDAY: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 / Lk 4:14-22

FRIDAY: 1 Jn 5:5-13 / Lk 5:12-16

SATURDAY: 1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 3:22-30

SUNDAY: Is 40:1-5,9-11 / Ti 2:11-14;3:4-7 / Lk 3:15-16,21-22

The Epiphany of the Lord January 6, 2019



Rise up in splendor,
Jerusalem!
Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord
shines upon you.

— Isaiah 60:1

Office Hours & Staff

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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

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Elena Haas, Pastoral Council Co-Chair

Jim McIlvain, Administration/Finance

Denice Kraft, Christian Service

Jean Durran, Parish Life

Rosada Heintz, Parish Life Co-Chair

Bill Ciolek, Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship

Barb Kosiek, Worship Co-Chair

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 6

8:30 am—RCIA

8:30 am—Confirmation Class

10:00 am—Children’s Liturgy of the Word

11:30 am—Baptism

Monday, January 7

7:00 pm—RF Commission

Tuesday, January 8

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Wednesday, January 9

4:30-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Thursday, January 10

7:00 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 11

Saturday, January 12

Sunday, January 13

8:30 am—RCIA

5:00 pm—Word of Life Group (*offsite*)



Upcoming Events

Jan 26/27: S.T.O.R.M. weekend,
Second Collection to support Youth
Ministry at St. Scholastica.

Feb 9/10: FACT candy sale

Feb 23/24: Cash 4 Food Drive

Mar 6: Ash Wednesday. 8:30 am
mass, 4:30 pm prayer svc, 7 pm mass

Parish Giving

The story of the Magi is so familiar and yet can still fill us with wonder. As did the ancient Magi, we, too, want to bring our gifts to the manger. These gifts are our commitments to live according to how Jesus taught. Thus, we make the meaning of the Epiphany alive for us today. The light and love of God shines through our Stewardship, manifested in our world.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2018-2019

Parish Expenses	\$ 7,700.00
Debt Payment	<u>2,900.00</u>
Total Needed	\$ 10,600.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Dec 19-Dec 26:

Sunday 12/23	\$ 6,275.50
Sunday other forms	1,142.00
Christmas	18,395.00
General Funds	360.00
Restricted Contributions	120.00
Debt Reduction	<u>360.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 26,292.50

Differential this week:

Needed	\$ 10,600.00
Reported	26,292.50
Catch up this period:	\$ 15,692.50

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Retired Religious	\$ 20.00
Diocesan Cemeteries	100.00
Manger \$ for PADS	32.00

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

Debt to Diocese 11/30/18 \$172,342
Registered Households—762

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know...bulletins for
February 9/10 and February 16/17
will have an early deadline of
January 28 due to the bulletin editor
being on vacation.

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