

# Christ the Servant Catholic Church

*Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.*



SEE, I AM DOING SOMETHING NEW!  
NOW IT SPRINGS FORTH, DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?  
IN THE DESERT I MAKE A WAY,  
IN THE WASTELAND, RIVERS.

ISAIAH 43:19

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

APRIL 3, 2022

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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  
 Every war worsens everyone's situation. Therefore, I renew my appeal: Enough.  
 Stop it. Silence the weapons. Move seriously toward peace!

Please continue to check our parish website [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org), and facebook, for up to date information about what we are able to offer to help keep our community connected.

At this time, we continue to record the mass for people who are not able to make it to church, posting it by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.



**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. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is 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 Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulation, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.)



Welcome to our parish family:

**Thomas & Jean K**  
 Norfolk St, Downers Grove

*If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available on our parish website ([www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org)) as the first question in the FAQs section, and each weekend in the narthex. Ask for a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!*

**Flowers last weekend:  
 In memory of  
 Pauline Dennis,  
 requested by Pat Savage.**



*Donations for altar flowers will be accepted in the parish office. (\$30 suggested donation.) Make sure you identify yourself (so the donation can be included on your tax records), and the person(s)/ event you are honoring, and whether there is a specific date you want the flowers on the altar. First come, first served for choice of date. Please make the donation at least a month in advance so we can plan appropriately to purchase, place, and include in the bulletin.*

**EXODUS**  
 world service

**WELCOME TO AMERICA! THANK YOU!!**

Thank you to all the people who contributed to the Exodus Welcome to America! Pack. Every item was taken care of! It will make a tremendous difference in a Refugee family's life. Thank you again.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com).  
 Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar.



## Volunteers **NEEDED** for Easter Décor!!!!

The Worship Commission is seeking helpers to help make the church prayerful and welcoming for Easter.

Easter décor preparation will be Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 am, immediately after the 9:30 am Easter Basket Blessings.

**If you can give an hour to help out, please contact JoAnn W at [joannwelton@aol.com](mailto:joannwelton@aol.com) to confirm you can be there.**

*In appreciation, JoAnn W*

## 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 [vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto: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, April 7, 7:00 PM**

## Seniors Can Be Victims of Domestic Violence

Domestic violence affects millions of people, both women and men, of every race, religion, culture, and income level. It's not just physical abuse. Domestic violence can also take the form of yelling, humiliation, stalking, manipulation, coercion, threats, and isolation. A sometimes forgotten population affected by domestic violence is seniors. Every person's experience with domestic violence is different. But, seniors who are in an abusive relationship experience unique challenges when it comes to breaking the cycle and getting help. They are often put at a greater risk of harm. Many older adults will not report domestic violence for a number of reasons. They may be dependent on their abuser for basic needs, such as housing, food, or care. They may be embarrassed or confused about their situation. They may also face isolation and have difficulty leaving the home to seek help. Seniors who experience domestic violence can face greater physical consequences, including a higher risk of falls, greater severity of injury, and slower healing and recovery. While all of these factors paint a dark picture for older adults in domestic violence situations, there is hope. Each of us can do our part to help end elder abuse by understanding how to recognize the signs and assist those in need.

*Continued next week*

*From VANTAGE AGING, October 20, 2020*

### 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

## Religious Formation News

### Class times

Tuesday 4:30-5:45 Grades 1-5 & 8

Tuesday 6:00-7:15 Grade 6

Wednesday 6:00-7:15 Grades 1, 5-8

Remote non-Zoom option (any day of the week)

**If your child is not feeling well, they SHOULD NOT ATTEND formation sessions or parish activities.**

### This Week For RF Classes...



Reconciliation

All students grade 3-8 are asked to attend classes in-person on Tuesday and Wednesday April 5 and 6 to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time.

### Student Volunteers are Needed

Student Volunteers are Needed for RF Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 7:00, April 15. If your child is interested in being part of the Good Friday Stations of the Cross, please call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email [cgoba@rcdoj.org](mailto:cgoba@rcdoj.org)



Stations of the Cross



First Communion

### First Communion Dates

- April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am First Communion practice
- May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am our First Communion class will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

**Please keep our First Communion class in your prayers that they might truly appreciate the gift of this most wonderful Sacrament.**

### Confirmation Projects and Paperwork are Due

Confirmation paperwork is past due and should be turned in as soon as possible to be considered for Confirmation for this year. Please get them turned in to Christine Goba.



### Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Hicks on Friday, May 20 at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church.

**Please pray for our Confirmandi as they prepare to receive this most important Sacrament.**

### Religious Formation Spring Art Show

Save your Child's artwork and RF class work for the Spring Art Show Coming the weekend of April 23-24.

### CRS Rice Bowls



It's time to collect our RF Lenten mission project Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls. Please bring your CRS Rice bowls to Mass on Saturday and Sunday April 9/10 or to class on April 5 and 6 for collection.

When you give to CRS Rice Bowl, 75% of your donation supports the work of CRS around the world. The other 25% supports hunger and poverty relief efforts in our diocese.

### High School Group Meeting at 7:00 pm on Thursday's.

If you are interested in learning more about how to live a Joy filled life come hang out with us as we learn more about Joy.



Living Joy

Anyone interested in attending or helping out please email RF Director Christine Goba for more information. [cgoba@rcdoj.org](mailto:cgoba@rcdoj.org) or call 630-910-0770.

### Religious Formation Adoration Hour

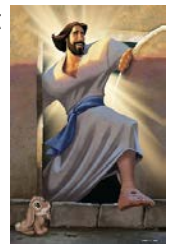


All are invited to come sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday evenings anytime during 7:00-8:00 pm during Lent. Please join us for Adoration and prayer for the needs and intentions of our families.

Please join us.

### VBS is Coming June 20-24

Send your kids on a desert adventure! At Monumental VBS, kids celebrate God's greatness! Monumental is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Gizmos™, games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just sample of activities.



### Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

**April 5-6** All Students Grades 2-8 Reconciliation and Lent Project

**April 12-13** No Classes **HOLY WEEK**

**April 15** RF Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

**April 19-20** Classes (Apr 22 new remote post) Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Show.

**April 23-May 1** Spring RF Artwork Show

**April 26-27** Classes (Apr 29 new remote post)

**April 30** at 10:00 am First Communion rehearsal

**May 7 Saturday** at 11:00 am First Communion

**May 14** Confirmation Retreat 7th & 8th grades

# Volunteer Opportunities

Many of the Synod Surveys returned mentioned what a welcoming parish Christ the Servant is. They also mentioned a desire to have more social activities available now that Covid has relaxed somewhat. We want to do that, but it is going to take people willing to help make these events happen. Here are some suggestions:

## HOSPITALITY AFTER MASS

We would like to begin having hospitality after mass again. To do this we need:

- Someone to set up (set up tables, arrange donated goods and napkins on tables, etc.)
- Someone to clean up (take garbage out to dumpster, put tables away, freeze leftover foods)
- Someone to donate the snacks people will enjoy, maybe some juice (nothing carbonated) and maybe a bag of ice to chill water. Occasional donations of coffee creamer would be nice—we have LOTS of sweeteners on hand. At this time we also have LOTS of napkins, plastic cold beverage cups, and LOTS of plastic knives, forks and spoons.
- Someone to make coffee (if needed), pour water into cups. Coffee person would also need to clean up the coffee pots afterwards.

These jobs would apply to each mass. In order to not rely on the same people each time, we will have a **signup sheet in the narthex**. This is probably about 5 people per mass (plus the goodie-bringers) to help make it flow smoothly.

### “I’D LIKE TO HELP, BUT I’M SO BUSY!...”

If you make it to mass, you can help. To help serve communion, you need to be confirmed (and have a brief training session). To give a family something to do during mass, we have the Host Team ministry—greet people as they arrive, offer the music booklet, pass the basket at collection time, take up the gifts or invite someone else to do it, hand out bulletins as

people depart. Lectors can read clearly, and do their practice at home—we give you a book with all the readings in it, and the training it requires to know when you do your part. Serving at the altar is another ministry you can do during mass that doesn’t take any more time out of your day than attending mass!

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is a short-term, yet fulfilling commitment. Helping is open to teens and adults, you will spend five mornings during June 20-24 helping kids enjoy a Monumental adventure! See the VBS description on page 4, and talk with Christine Goba.

## OUTSIDE!

As spring slowly makes its presence known, why not adopt a bit of our landscaping if you like working outside? Contact Chris B or Cindy F if you are interested in helping with the Community Vegetable Garden. Or adopt the rose bushes in the berm outside the window wall. Or adopt the landscaping around the Christ the Servant sign on the corner of Havens and 87th. Or...there are lots of places where plants can use a little loving care. We plan to replace a couple of dead trees this spring, and they would appreciate loving care while they become established (especially regular watering.)

What ideas do you have for volunteering around church? What would you like to do? Email [ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org) to share your ideas.

# Lenten Fast for Creation Care

*This Lent, consider a Lenten Sacrifice focused on Care for God’s Creation*



**Why a Lenten Creation Care Fast?** Things we buy impact our environment, take time from our life and often control us.

**WEEK SIX:** 24/7 consumerism exhausts workers, resources, and distracts us spiritually. Pope Francis urges us to seek a simpler, less materialistic life. Observing the Sabbath encouraged detachment from temporal goods by putting aside time for God. Try designating days this week for a more contemplative state, giving up buying “stuff,” and pre-purchasing only the minimum essentials.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>A</b>							
<b>P</b>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>R</b>							
<b>I</b>							
<b>L</b>							

**“Stuff” Fast** - Set aside specific days to devote your free time to contemplative thought, prayer and spiritual development. Pre-purchase necessary essentials and try to buy nothing on those days. Think about “What things do I really need?”

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### TABERNACLE LIGHT

Arthur Valliere & Sister Georgine Hroma, SSFCR

### MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, April 2

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek & Gerald Johnson, *r. family*  
Lilly Mary & Inna Reddy & Kasper Reddy, *r. Kireeti Reddy*

#### Sunday, April 3

8:30 AM Philip Van Geertry, *r. Donna Ciolek*  
10:00 AM People of the Parish

#### Monday, April 4

8:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory that are Near to Heaven

#### Tuesday, April 5

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Wednesday, April 6

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Thursday, April 7

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Friday, April 8

8:30 AM

#### Saturday, April 9

4:45 PM Betty Zoucha, *r. Steve & Karen Jackson*  
Joseph Patrick Bacani, *r. Leoncio & Marlene Bacani*

#### Sunday, April 10

8:30 AM People of the Parish  
10:00 AM Philip Van Geertry, *r. Donna Ciolek*

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



## We pray for the Sick

Ray Banaszak	Carol Hendrich	Chuck Neal
Bruce Barnhard	Rita Hogan	Anthony Nowak
Barbara Bayro	Remington Howard	Linda Pennock
Nancy Becker	Rayna Januska	Andrew Peslak
Sharon Bhaskar	Ed Jascewsky	Alie Phillips
Kathy Brokowski	Madeline Jascewsky	Connie Polopoulos
Jim Brabec	Jeanne Jordan	Danny Ramsey
Pat Chang	Barb Kosiek	Lolit Rancho
Vic Cordes	Bob Kraft	John Rossi
Marge Felix	Karen Kripas	Jim Sanders
Bonnie Fiebrandt	Brian Labuta	Dan Szymanski
John M. Foresman	Josie Landicho	Anastasia Thiem
Marty Foy	S.Suzanne Lesniewski	Frank Tiesenga
Dcn. Tom Fricke	Robert Losik	Mary Vanderplow
Joann Germanie	Joyce Maples	Bill Wagner
Michael Harris	Joe Machanis	Vince Zitella
Carolyn Heinrich	Jan May	

*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



**Donna Banaszak**  
*(wife of Ray)*

## Bible Readings—Apr. 3-Apr. 10

**SUNDAY:** Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / Jn 8:1-11

**MONDAY:** Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 / or 13:41c-62 / Jn 8:12-20

**TUESDAY:** Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30

**WEDNESDAY:** Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 / Jn 8:31-42

**THURSDAY:** Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59

**FRIDAY:** Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42

**SATURDAY:** Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56

**SUNDAY:** Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

## We pray for those who Serve

**Nolan Bowers**, grandson of Daniel & Karen Bowers

**Christopher Durkovic**, grandson of Joan Kurtz

**Chase Halik**, son of Tim & Peggy Halik

**Avery Jackson**, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson

**Ben Jalove**, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove

**Cole Jirgl**, nephew of Corby & Sheri Schmitz

**Brock Ketcham**, cousin of Jean Durran

**Kade Ketcham**, cousin of Jean Durran

**Joshua Plucinski**, grandson of Joan Kurtz

**Raleigh Redinger**, nephew of Mike Magee

**Dan Ward**, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward

*If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. Please also let us know when they return home.*

## Office Hours & Staff

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Woodridge, Illinois 60517  
Phone: (630) 910-0770  
Fax: (630) 910-6060  
[www.ctswoodridge.org](http://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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### Commission Chairpersons

**Tom Swik**, Pastoral Council Chair  
**Ed Koch**, Administration/Finance  
**Position Open**, Christian Service  
**Donna Ciolek**, interim Parish Life Chair  
**Bill Ciolek**, Religious Formation  
**Chris Bojanowski**, Worship

## Calendar of Events

### Easter Candy Sale St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive Sunday, April 3

8:30 am—mass (followed by Synod on Synodality Listening Session)

10:00 am—mass

7:00 pm—Adoration and Rosary

### Monday, April 4

8:30 am—daily mass

### Tuesday, April 5

8:30 am—daily mass

30-5:45 pm—RF classes, Gr 1-5,8

6:00-7:15 pm—RF classes, Gr 6

### Wednesday, April 6

8:30 am—daily mass

6:00-7:15 pm—RF classes, Gr 1,5-8

### Thursday, April 7

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—Yoga

1:00 pm—Wisdom Adult Faith Study

7:00 pm—Teens “Living Joy”

### Friday, April 8

8:30 am—mass

7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross (led by Admin/Finance Commission)

### Saturday, April 9

9:00 am—Worship Commission

4:45 pm—mass

### Hams Collected 8:00-10:15 am

### Sunday, April 10

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

11:00 am—Holy Week Rehearsals

7:00 pm—Adoration and Rosary

## Upcoming Events

**Apr 2/3:** Easter Candy sale, before & after masses

**April 14-16:** Triduum

**May 28:** Electronics Recycling Event

## Parish Giving

In today’s second reading, St. Paul says, “For His sake I have forfeited everything: I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth.” Does my steward-ship suggest that I could say the same?

*See Philippians 3:8*

### NEEDED WEEKLY: 2021-2022

Parish Expenses	\$ 7,700.00
Debt Payment	2,600.00
<b>Total Needed</b>	<b>\$ 10,300.00</b>

### CONTRIBUTIONS Mar 23-Mar 29:

Sunday 3/20	\$ 4,019.00
Sunday other forms	1,674.00
General Funds	175.00
Restricted	180.00
Debt Reduction	160.00
<b>Total Contributed</b>	<b>\$ 6,208.00</b>

### Differential this period:

Needed	\$ 10,300.00
Reported	6,208.00
<b>Deficit this period:</b>	<b>\$ 4,092.00</b>

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

Debt to Diocese 2/28/2022 \$215,685  
Registered Households—780


**God bless you, and thank you for your generous support!**

**Did you know...** after 18 years, our Business Manager is retiring on June 30. To see a job description, please visit the Diocese of Joliet website, [www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr), then click on the “Employment” box in the lower left, and then link to the “Employment Opportunities” section. All the job openings in the diocese are listed there. If you or someone you know are looking for a job, that’s a good place to start!

As Catholics, we are called to plan ahead and share the blessings of our lives with our loved ones and future generations. To help you be a steward of everything God has entrusted to your care, Christ the Servant is sharing a **free, online will-writing tool**. It is cost-free and takes 20 minutes or less to protect your family and your assets and create a gift to pass the Catholic faith onto future generations and strengthen Christ the Servant. Get started at **FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet**.

saint snippets

April 4



My brothers,  
for charity's sake, do  
not throw away those  
fragments. Let us give  
them to the poor.

St. Benedict the Moor

16th-century African slave who, when freed, became an Italian friar with a reputation for working miracles.

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