

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.

JANUARY

29

2023

When Jesus saw the crowds,
he went up the mountain
and began to teach them.

Matthew 5:1

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

Creation Care Corner 

Taking action to protect God's great gift to us
 Every appliance comes with two price tags: the purchase price and the cost of operating the product. ENERGY STAR certified appliances help consumers save money on operating costs by reducing energy use without sacrificing performance. Reducing energy use can reduce fossil fuel emissions that pollute the air and contribute to climate instability. Since appliances have a long service life, small everyday savings add up to a big impact over time. Choosing energy efficient ENERGY STAR products can save families \$200 to \$400 a year. Go to www.energystar.gov for more information.



*"The environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all."
 - Pope Francis*

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.

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 Fricke at 630-985-5266.

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 2, 7:00 PM**

Bulletin Shorts for Winter Ordinary Time

Sunday Prayer Shaping Life and Belief

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 29 January 2023

The Presentation of the Lord, Feast
 Malachi 3:1-4. Psalm 24:7-10. Hebrews 2:14-8.
 Luke 2:22-40

Christ is present. Hebrews announces what we know: Jesus Christ had to become like us in everyway (be human) in order to be high priest (like us in all things but sin). We light and bless candles today to remember that Christ our Light illumines everything and everyone. We listen to Simeon and Anna sing his praise.

- ◆ How will I carry the Light who is Christ with me from Mass today?
- ◆ To whom will I let it shine?
- ◆ How will I sing his praise?



NATIONAL

Eucharistic Revival

Our diocesan church will gather on Feb. 8-10 to celebrate a spiritual devotion before the Blessed Sacrament during diocesan year of the National Eucharistic Revival. Our 40 Hours Devotion will take place at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. It will begin each

morning Mass & conclude with a prayer service in the evening. Throughout the day there will be silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, & at various times during the day there will be communal prayer services. The basic schedule will be the same each day morning Mass on Wed., Feb. 8 at 6:30 a.m.; morning Mass on Thurs., Feb. 9 at 8 a.m.; and morning Mass on Fri., Feb. 10 at 8 a.m. With the conclusion of morning Mass and until the 8 p.m. prayer service, the cathedral will be open for individuals to spend time in silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Communal prayer services will take place at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., and will be led by various priests of the diocese, cultural groups, needs groups, school children and diocesan employees. After the 8 p.m. service, the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed for the day. We encourage all people to come and reflect in prayer on the wondrous gift of the Eucharist and spend time together praying for the needs of their parish, their families and their neighbors.

To learn more about the diocesan Forty Hours Devotion, please contact Sister Sharon Stola at the Office of Divine Worship at 815-221-6230 or [sstola@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:ssstola@dioceseofjoliet.org)

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

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION

CLASS TIMES:

Tuesday 4:45-6:00 Grades K-4 & 8

Tuesday 6:30-7:45 Grade 5-7

Wednesday 4:45-6:00 Grade 1-6

Wednesday 6:30-7:45 Grades 6-8

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

RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org and in the Narthex. For more information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

January 31- February 1 Class

February 1 Confirmation Presentation "Why be Catholic" with Deacon Tom Fricke. All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Parents and sponsors may attend also.

February 7-8 Class

February 9-10 No Classes (Catechist Formation Evening and DRE Retreat)

February 20 (Monday, Presidents Day) Confirmation Student meeting 10:00-11:00 a.m.

February 21-22 No Class Please attend Ash Wednesday Services

February 22 at 4:30 is the Children's Liturgy

February 28-March 1 Class

March 4 (Saturday) First Communion Retreat 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. (Required Child and Parent event for preparation for 1st Communion)

March 7-8 Class

March 8 Confirmation Presentation "Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?" with Deacon Rod Accardi. All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Wednesday night class session. Parents and sponsors may attend also.

March 14-15 Class

Congratulations to the Children Who Celebrated Their First Reconciliation

Congratulation to our students who have received their first Reconciliation or will be receiving the sacrament in the upcoming weeks. Please pray for them that they may always remain close to Jesus through this most holy sacrament. Thank you to their parents and teachers for all of their efforts to preparing and encouraging them.



Book Study Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life

Christ the Servant will begin a new book study this Christmas season with a new book by Mathew Kelly called *Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life*. Mike Gormley will guide the book study on **Thursdays at 7:00 PM**. To get a copy of this new book or for more information about the book study please stop by the Religious Formation office or call Christine at 630-910-0770.



First Communion

First Communion Reminders

First Communion Retreat NEW DATE

All students preparing to make their 1st Communion will need to attend the Retreat rescheduled for **Saturday, March 4 from 10:00-12:00**. A parent will also need to attend with their child.

Please pray for our children as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion.

Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Presentation "Why be Catholic"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, February 1 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on "Why be Catholic." Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Kane on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is May 16 at 7:00 a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

Confirmation Student Meeting

Students who are preparing to receive Confirmation this year are required to attend a meeting on Monday, (Presidents Day) February 20, from 10-11.

Confirmation Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 13 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life*, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what he means for us as Catholics today. Christ the Servant Parish will begin the Jesus study at **2:00pm on January 19 and will run for 10 weeks**. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or cgoba@rcdoj.org. We hope you can join us!

Dear RF Parents,

I would like to thank and commend our RF parents for their outstanding job and their sacrificial efforts to pass on our Catholic Faith to their children. We are so blessed to have parents who care and support our Religious Formation program and the efforts of our catechists here at Christ the Servant. Thank you. I know that many of you have had to sacrifice so much to provide a religious education for your children. I am humbled to see with what strength and resolve that you parents have carried the cross of raising a Catholic family in times that are hostile to families and to faith in God and yet, you have persevered. I know that many of you feel that you have not measured up or that there are so many undone things in your lives and in the lives of your kids. I know that many of you have felt like the kids are not listening or just seemed unengaged and often you may have even gotten frustrated with them and then with yourselves. But I assure you, all of you, “Well done, good and faithful servant!” (Matt 25:23) You have done much with very little.

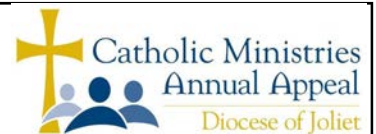


I have no doubt that God is blessing you with each new situation and within every struggle. It might be helpful to remember that God always brings forth blessings from the difficulties we face and that He never leaves us alone, ever! God is truly good and His love unending. I have the privilege of being able to stand back and observe the Christ the Servant RF families and kids and I am amazed as I see the many ways that everyone is growing and being blessed through the mess. Thank you for letting me be a part of your journey of faith.

God bless,
Christine Goba, Religious Formation Director

2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 1/22/23

Your participation in the CMAA is important. The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide countless ministries, programs, and services to support our friends and neighbors in immeasurable ways.




Our goal is \$43,400. 70% of gifts received over goal will be returned to our parish for our use. A mailing has been sent to parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the 2022 CMAA. If you have not done so already, please prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA.

A gift to the CMAA, no matter the amount, will make a difference! Together, we can continue to spread the Gospel message in our diocese through our ministries and help others in need. Thank you for your support!
If you would like to make your pledge/payment online, visit jolietdioceseappeal.org or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949.

2022 GOAL	\$43,400	AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$49,639	PLEDGES NEEDED TO GOAL: We made it!
AMOUNT PAID:	\$48,584	REMAINING BALANCE:	\$1,055	Congratulations on achieving our goal!
DONORS THIS YEAR:	226	REBATE AMOUNT:	\$3,629	Remember to keep up on pledges!

Thank you so much for your generosity!!!! God bless you!!!

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT 

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 28
 4:45 PM Leoncio Bacan, i req. Corinne Hanson
 Lorraine Riedl, req. Donna Mays
 Aleta Nawcot, req. Nawrot family

Sunday, January 29
 8:30 AM George Wisdom, req. Paul Wisdom
 10:00 AM Daniel Kitchen, req. Nawrot Family

Monday, January 30
 8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 31
 8:30 AM Andrew Iovito Sr., req. Andie Wolfe

Wednesday, February 1
 8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, February 2
 8:30 AM Josephine & Bob Schmuch, req. children of

Friday, February 3
 8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, February 4
 4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, Gerald Johnson, req. family
 JoAnn Frale, req. family

Sunday, February 5
 8:30 AM Bill Haas, req. Elena Haas
 10:00 AM Pellegrino Perricone, req. Perricone family

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

Bible Readings Jan 29 thru Feb 5

SUNDAY: Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/
 Mt 5:1-12a (70)

MONDAY: Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20 (323)

TUESDAY: Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43 (324)

WEDNESDAY: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6 (325)

THURSDAY: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
 or 2:22-32 (524)

FRIDAY: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29 (327)

SATURDAY: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34 (328)

SUNDAY: Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mk 5:13-16 (73)


We pray for the Sick

Barbara Bayro Sharon Bhaskar Jim Brabec Dennis Burke Pat Chang Greg Chisholm Michael Durkovic Sr Rudy Durkovic Vic Cordes Karl Eggers Marge Felix John M. Foresman Marty Foy Dcn. Tom Fricke Robert Gripp Karen Gormley Joan Haffner Michael Harris Carolyn Heinrich Carol Hendrich Fred Huth Jessica James	Rayna Januska Ed Jascewsky Madeline Jascewsky Jeanne Jordan Derek Kaunelis Ida Kenny Paul Knight Barb Kosiek Karen Kripas Robert Losik Joyce Maples Jan May Donna Mays Chuck Neal Alie Phillips Janice Proskey Bob Pluta Wm. (Bill) Rausch Lolit Ranchoero Robert Rodriguez John Rossi Sonja Rudny	Jose Sabado Jim Sanders Jennifer Stile Dan Szymanski Frank Tiesenga Mary Vanderplow Bill Wagner
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*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 bryn@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.***


We pray for the Deceased



Please pray for our dear deceased members of the parish

We pray for those who Serve

Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreshak
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
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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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday.....8:30 AM—4:30 PM
Friday.....8:30 AM—1:30 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

- Fr. Bob Duda**, Pastor Ext. 101
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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

Sunday, January 29
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Monday, January 30
8:30 am—daily mass

Tuesday, January 31
8:30 am—daily mass
Religious Formation classes

Wednesday, February 1
8:30 am—daily mass
Religious Formation classes

Thursday, February 2
8:30 am—daily mass
9:30 am—yoga
2:00 pm—adult book study, Jesus: The Way, the Truth & the Life
7:00 pm—adult book study, Holy Moments
High School Religious Formation

Friday, February 3
8:30 am—communion service

Saturday, February 4
10:00 am—funeral visitation and mass
4:00 pm—devotion in Chapel
4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, February 5
8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
11:00 am—baptism

Upcoming Events

Feb 4: 1st Saturday Devotional
4 pm in the Chapel

Feb 22: Ash Wednesday

Feb 25: All - Commission
Coordination Planning meeting
10:00 am

Feb 26: 1st Sunday of Lent

March 25/26 PLC Easter Candy Sale— all masses

Parish Giving

How many of us live day-to-day not being aware of what we do or perhaps even who we are? Living a conscious, purposeful life takes a lot of energy and commitment. Jesus came into our world to teach us how to live such a life as His Stewards. He reached out to everyone, even those who were considered outside of the acceptable community life.

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2022- 2023

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: Jan 12—Jan 24

Sunday	\$ 4,055.00
Sunday other forms	\$ 3,628.00
General Funds	\$ 15.00
Restricted	\$ 35.00
Debt Reduction	\$ <u>160.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 7,893.00

Differential this period:

Needed	\$ 10,300.00
Reported	\$ 7,893.00
Differential this period:	\$ 2,407.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Latin America	\$ 345.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1.00

Debt to Diocese 12/31/2022 \$104,181
Registered Households—781

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


Did you know...To donate stocks, visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org and click on “Donate”, then click on “Stock Donations or call the



Development office at 815-221-6100 for information.

A free, online will-writing tool is available through the Diocese of Joliet. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet.

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Win these friends of yours not with blows, but with gentleness and kindness. So begin right now to show them that sin is ugly and virtue beautiful.

St. John Bosco
19th-century Italian priest who devoted his life to educating poor boys. He founded the Salesian Order in 1859.

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