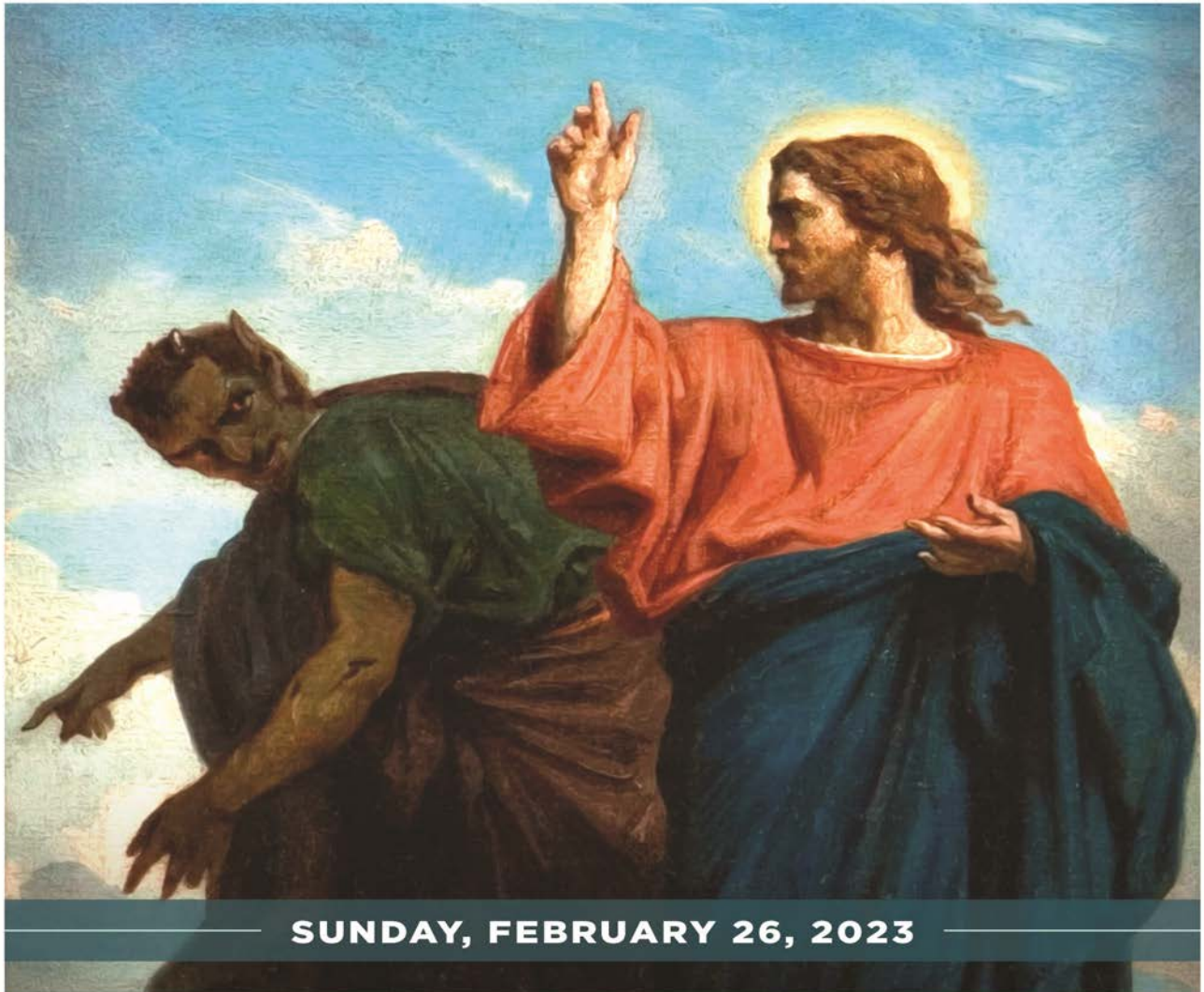


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

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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

Lent is a time of grace to the extent that we listen to Jesus. He speaks to us in the Word of God and through our brothers and sisters, especially in the faces and stories of those who are in need.

Please continue to check our parish website 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.



The History of Lent

In the first centuries of Christianity, a set period of Lent was not celebrated. Christians prepared for the Easter celebration with an all night vigil & a fast. This vigil concluded with a morning Eucharist. Gradually, Christians extended this celebration to include Jesus' own Passover (supper on Holy Thursday & death of Jesus on Friday). By the end of the 2nd century, baptism became linked to the Easter Vigil & the time leading up to Easter became a period of intense preparation for baptism. At first this preparation period only lasted three weeks, to correspond to the three gospel readings used for preparation: the woman at the well, the man born blind & the raising of Lazarus. We still use these gospels today on the 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of Lent in the catechumenate program. This baptismal preparation program eventually extended to forty days. The idea of forty days comes out of Mark's Gospel (Mk 1:13), where Jesus goes into the desert for forty days to prepare for his ministry. Today, Lent serves a double purpose. The Lenten period is still the time of intense preparation for the Catechumens for their baptism at the Easter Vigil. But Lent has also become a time for baptized Christians to reflect on their own baptism be challenged to turn away from sin & choose the deepest meaning of their baptism. This renewal is done through the traditional penitential practices of fasting, prayer and works of charity.



We Will Not Be Collecting Palms for Disposal

Sacramental, such as palm branches, should be treated with special reverence. Therefore, the normal "rule of thumb" is that anything that has been blessed should be burned (and then the ashes buried) or simply buried in the soil or in the soil of your beloved garden.

First Friday Lenten Journey, March 3rd

As we start our 2023 Lenten Journey, spend some time in CTS' Eucharistic Chapel after the 8:30 am mass/service. We pray for the "Best Lent Ever", Mathew Kelly. "Come let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us." Psalm 95:6.



Special Devotional First Saturday



Please join us on Saturday, March 4 at 4:00 pm in the Chapel for a special devotional to our Blessed Mother. As a group we will meditate on the mysteries of the rosary and pray the rosary. Confession is offered during this time. For information call:

Andie at 630-926-7444 or Helene at 630-910-5147


Stations of the Cross

Come Pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 7:00 PM here at church. Stations will be in person, led by a different group each week. Please join us, beginning on February 24th and each of the following Lenten Friday evenings.



- February 24th — Led by Administration/Finance Commission
- March 3rd — Led by Respect for Life Committee
- March 10th — Led by Worship Commission
- March 17th — Led by Parish Life Commission
- March 24th — Led by Parish Pastoral Council
- March 31st — Led by Christian Service Commission

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

Creation Care Corner 



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

Why a Lenten Creation Care Fast? Our collective consumption patterns have a significant impact on our environment.

Consider—**Week One:** limit meat consumption. Meat production accounts for about 14% of climate warming greenhouse gas emissions. Cutting back goes a long way toward helping the environment and can possibly improve your health. When eating meat, chicken production or sustainably caught fish generates only 1/4 of the global warming emissions of beef and lamb production.

Meat Fast—Honor meatless Fridays, consider adding a meatless Monday, or Wednesday.

Bulletin Shorts for Winter Ordinary Time
Keep Grace Upright

Transgression and sin play a big part in the garden of Eden Story. So does grace—which is the first part of the story. In the Roman’s reading, Saint Paul counterpoints Adam & Eve with the saving death of Jesus Christ. He is the very grace of God. It is only when standing within this grace can we name what is non-grace, what is wrong with life, what is sin. Thus Jesus can face the tempter without faltering & help us do the same.

- *How will communion fill me more than daily bread?
- *How will I trust and not test God this Lent?
- *What things or people will I stop “worshipping” so that I will worship God alone?

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, March 2, 7:00 PM**



**Don’t Forget
Ladies Over 55
Luncheon**



Don’t forget the Over 55 Ladies monthly luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 28th at 1:00 p.m. (note new time) at:

**Chuck’s Cafe
8025 S. Cass Avenue, Darien, IL**

**It’s not to late to R.S.V.P. by February 25th to
Casey 630-910-7169 or Sue 630-852-8797.**

March Manna Sale is here!

Manna order forms are available in the Narthex or on the CTS website. If you have a question, please call Bill at 630-724-9498.

Orders placed (and paid for) by the end of the 10:00 am mass on Sunday, March 19th. The gift card order will be ready for pickup the weekend of March 25th and 26th.



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



LENT

Religious Formation Classes

Regular Class schedule will resume February 28 and March 1.

Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

February 28-March 1 Class

March 4 (Saturday) First Communion Retreat 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.
(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

March 21-22 Class

March 28-29 No Class Spring Break



Catholic colleges and universities are well-known for their academic excellence and are among the world's most prestigious learning institutions. Catholic colleges and universities offer a strong foundation for nurturing faith.

Benedictine University Lisle, IL

Is Catholic University in the Benedictine Tradition founded in 1887. Studies include: Goodwin College of Business, Benedictine University's School of Education, College of Liberal Arts and College of Science & Health with more than 20 majors, a variety of minors, concentrations that are designed to prepare for careers in these fields.

BenU also has a vibrant Campus Ministry Office, dedicating itself to pastoral care, faith formation, and furthering the common good through the practice of our Benedictine hallmarks. It has a 15:1 Faculty / Student Ratio and **\$116,000 Scholarship money** awarded in 2021. For more information www.ben.edu/Admissions Social Media: @BenUMinistry Campus Ministry: campusministry@ben.edu 630-829-1310.

Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Presentation "Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend **Wednesday, March 8** at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on "Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?" With Deacon Rod Accardi. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.



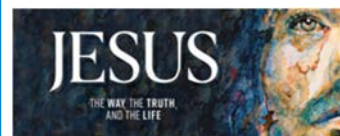
Confirmation Date

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 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 Thursdays and will run through April 20**. 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!

Congratulations to the Children Who Celebrated Their First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation



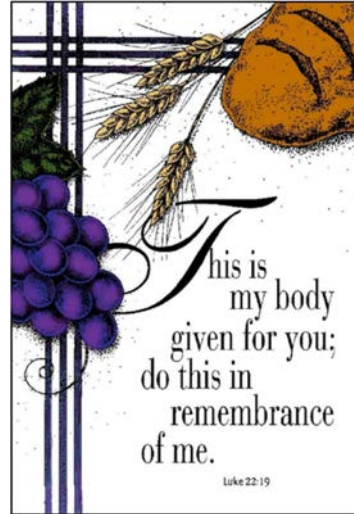
Congratulation to our students who have received their first Reconciliation or will be receiving the sacrament in the upcoming weeks. Please pray for them that they may always remain close to Jesus through this most holy sacrament. Thank you to their parents and teachers for all of their efforts to preparing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

40-Hours Devotion



The 40-hours devotion is typically celebrated by the Blessed Sacrament being exposed for a 40-hour period in one location, minus the time taken for Mass. Participants may say prayers, rosaries, litanies, chaplets, and read reflections, guided meditations, the bible, etc. When it is more feasible, the 40-hours are interrupted for the night and extended over several days. The solemn closing of the 40-hours devotion often includes Benediction of the Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Each Friday from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM., during Lent please join us for Adoration of Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament.

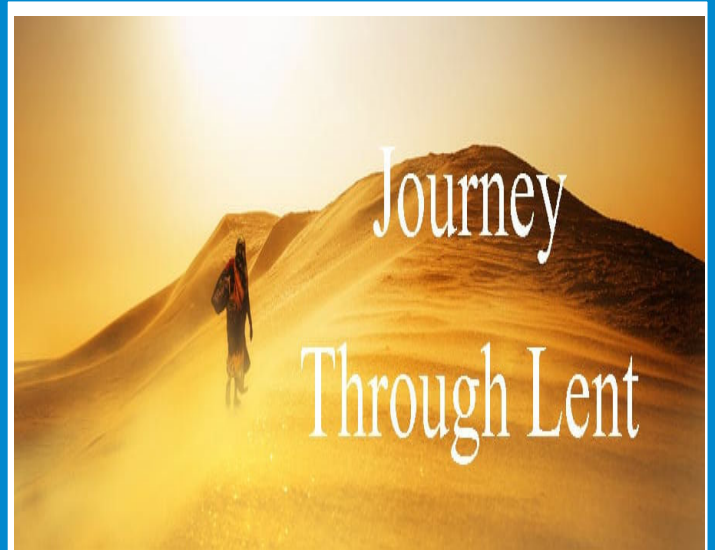
During this hour each Friday, you have an opportunity to spend time with Our Blessed Lord thanking Him, praising Him, loving Him, and listening to Him.

Join us this Lent for our Parish Mission on March 12 at 7:00pm



Fr. Matthew Jamesson from the Archdiocese of Chicago will be our guest speaker. He will be giving a talk titled:

Eucharistic Adoration and Contemplation: A Rehearsal to the Beatific Vision



2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal as of 2/12/23

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 2023 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.**

2023 GOAL	\$43,500	AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$6,915	PLEDGES NEEDED TO GOAL: \$37,710
AMOUNT PAID:	\$5,790	REMAINING BALANCE:	\$1,125	
DONORS THIS YEAR:	37	REBATE AMOUNT:	\$0	

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

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



MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 25

4:45 PM Lorraine Riedl, req. Richard Jacob family
Joan Gebhardt ,req. Casey Kellner
Bernard Chudzik, req. Marcie Chudzik

Sunday, February 26

8:30 AM Lucia Pellicer, and Pellicer family
Rosa Oriente, req. Oriete family
10:00 AM John Hauppa, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek

Monday, February 27

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, February 28

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 1

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, March 2

8:30 AM James Sullivan req. family

Friday, March 3

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, March 4

4:45 PM Don Fassero, req. Tina Fassero family
John & Esther Michalek and
Gerald Johnson, req. family
Lorraine Riedl, req. Donna Mays
JoAnn Frale, req. family

Sunday, March 5

8:30 AM Julie Wisdom, req. Paul Wisdom & family
10:00 AM People of the Parish

Bible Readings Feb 26 thru March 5

SUNDAY: Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/
Mt4:1-11 (22)

MONDAY: LV 19:1-2,11-18/Mt25-31-46

TUESDAY: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15(225)

WEDNESDAY: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32 (226)

THURSDAY: Est C:12, 14-16,23-25/Mt 7:7-12 (227)

FRIDAY: Ez 18: 21-28/Mt5:20-26 (228)

SATURDAY: Dt 26:16-19/Nt5 43-48 (229)

SUNDAY: Gn12:1-4a,2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9 (25)

We pray for the Sick

Barbara Bayro	Brian Jackson	John Rossi
Sharon Bhaskar	Jessica James	Sonja Rudny
Jim Brabec	Rayna Januska	Jose Sabado
Pat Chang	Ed Jascewsky	Jim Sanders
Donna Ciolek	Madeline Jascewsky	Ken Sloup
Michael Durkovic Sr	Jeanne Jordan	Jennifer Stile
Rudy Durkovic	Ida Kenny	Dan Szymanski
Vic Cordes	Paul Knight	Frank Tiesenga
Karl Eggers	Barb Kosiek	Mary Vanderplow
Marge Felix	Karen Kripas	Bill Wagner
John M. Foresman	Robert Losik	
Marty Foy	Joyce Maples	
Joanne Fricke	Jan May	
Dcn. Tom Fricke	Donna Mays	
Robert Gripp	Sue McGuire	
Joan Haffner	Chuck Neal	
Bill Hardig	Janice Proskey	
Michael Harris	Bob Pluta	
Carolyn Heinrich	Wm. (Bill) Rausch	
Carol Hendrich	Lolit Ranchero	
Barbara Hile	Maggi Rocco	
Fred Huth	Robert Rodriguez	



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



May God give comfort and peace to the families who recently lost a loved one.
Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

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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Woodridge, Illinois
60517
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Fax: (630) 910-6060
www.ctswoodridge.org



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

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

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 26

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

Monday, February 27

8:30 am—daily mass

7:00 pm—PPC commission meeting

Tuesday, February 28

8:30 am—daily mass

Wednesday, March 1

8:30 am—daily mass

Thursday, March 2

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—yoga

7:00 pm—baptism prep class

Friday, March 3

8:30 am—communion service

3:00 pm—Eucharistic adoration

7:00 pm—stations of the cross

Saturday, March 4

10:00 am—1st Communion retreat

4:00 pm—special devotional—Chapel

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, March 5

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

Upcoming Events

March 3: Eucharistic Adoration 3pm

March 3: Stations of the Cross 7pm

March 4: Special Devotional 4:00 pm

March 10: Stations of the Cross 7 pm

March 12: 7:00 pm, Fr. Matthew Jamesson from Archdiocese of Chicago will speak about Jesus present in the Eucharist

March 17: Stations of the Cross 7 pm

March 24: Stations of the Cross 7 pm

March 31: Stations of the Cross 7 pm



LENT

Easter Vigil Mass
Saturday, April 8th at 8:00 pm

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	2,600.00
Total Needed	\$ 10,300.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: Feb 15—Feb 21

Sunday	\$ 4,172.00
Sunday other forms	\$ 5,060.00
General Funds	\$ 380.00
Restricted	\$ 75.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 138.00
Total Contributed	\$ 9,825.00

Differential this period:

Needed	\$ 10,300.00
Reported	\$ 9,825.00
Differential this period:	\$ 475.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Eastern Europe	\$ 20.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 55.00
Easter	\$ 0.00

Debt to Diocese 1/31/2023 \$92,888.00
Registered Households—784

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.