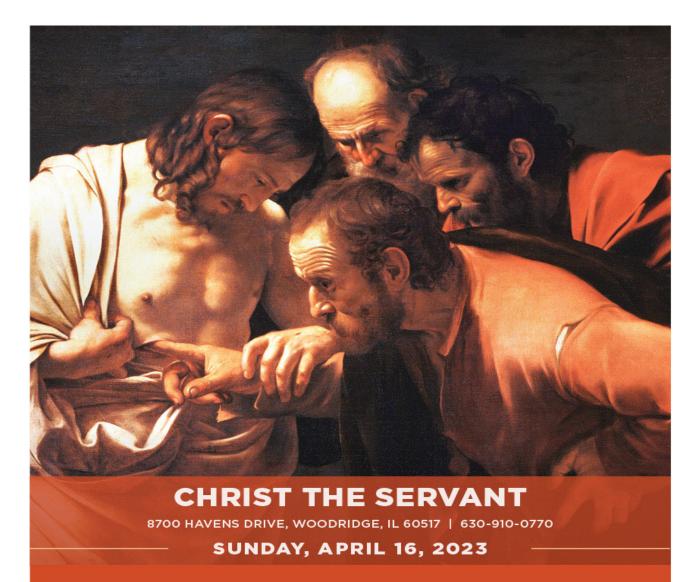
## Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.



# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:29

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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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.

When hope is spent and we feel loneliness in our hearts, inner weariness, the torment of sin, the fear of failure, let us return to Je-For He is the only one who always defeats death and always renews our life. Pope Francis' Tweet for the Week

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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.



#### <u>Tom Fricke</u> 35 <u>Years as a Deacon</u>

It is with deep sadness that we mourn the passing

of our deacon, Tom Fricke. Tom was called home on April 6, 2023.

#### **Funeral Visitation**

Deacon Tom will lie in state at CTS on Monday, April 17 from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

#### **Mass of Christian Burial**

Tuesday, April 18 at 11:00 am in the church.

#### **Burial following the mass**

Queen of Heaven Cemetery 1400 S. Wolf Road, Hillside, 60162



#### **Bread for the World Offering Letters**

This year, Bread for the World is asking us to sign letters to our Representatives & Senators in support of reauthorizing the Farm Bill and increasing funding for some parts of the bill such as SNAP. The West Suburban Community Pantry (CTS donates) is making changes to help people losing the boost in benefits. The Woodridge based organization will increase the number of weeks people are eligible to receive food at the pantry. The pantry is serving four times the number of families since 2021. Please join us April 22-23 to advocate for reauthorizing the Farm Bill. A sample letter is displayed in the narthex. Thank you for your support to end hunger in the U.S. and abroad.

#### **Thank You from the Worship Commission**

The most solemn days of our Church year are over, & they would not have been able to be celebrated without the dedicated help of so many members of our parish community. The Worship Commission works to prepare all the Liturgies, but without all of you who help, weather as a regular liturgical minister or in giving of your time when asked, the beauty & solemnity of each of these special days just wouldn't happen. The Worship Commission gives a huge Thank You to: Mass Coordinators, Host Families, Altar Ministers, Presiders, Lectors, Cantors and Choir members, Eucharistic Ministers, those who prepared the written materials used on Palm Sunday, on each day of the Sacred Tridumm, and on Easter Sunday; Holy Thursday Oil Bearers & those who assisted the Washing of Feet, those who came to decorate our Worship Space-because the décor had to be different each day. Because of your love, and efforts for our parish, everyone was able to pray and celebrate this Paschal Mystery—dying and rising of the Lord Jesus!

The Worship Commission wishes everyone a joyful Easter Season, and we ask the Risen Lord to bless each of you and all your loved ones.





# Second Annual Easter Candy Sale Huge Success!

Thank you for helping to make the 2nd Annual Easter Candy sale a huge success! The Parish Life Commission wishes to thank all our friends and parishioners for you support by buying candy and raffle tickets! We were able to raise over \$3,000 which will go towards debt reduction and Religious Formation special programs. Thanks to all the workers who helped sell & wrap. See you in 2024!

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com.

Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar.

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# WOODRIDGE KNIGHTS OF COUNCIL #5918 HOSTING FATHER SAINT DAMIEN PLAY

Knights of Columbus Council #5918 are hosting a one-man play, Damien, starring Wayne Messmer as Father Saint Damien the leper priest of Molokai, Hawaii. The play follows the life of Father Damien, as he dedicated his priesthood to serving the ostracized lepers. The date is Friday, April 28 at 7:30 in the St. Scholastica Church. Doors open at 6:30 pm in the gym for cash bar. Tickets available: VIP tickets (reserved + meet and greet with Wayne) are \$30 each; general admission tickets at \$20 and youth (under 18) at \$10 each. Seating is first come first served. To reserve tickets, go to our event website https:// www.eventcreate.com/e/kofc5918-presents-wayne-messmer or text/call Joe Testolin 630-901-5952. Tickets will also be available after masses at both churches in the coming month. Thank you for supporting the Knights and our parishes (St. Scholastica and Christ the Servant). We hope to see you on April 28th.

## Sacramental Information

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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.

<u>Holy Orders</u>: 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.

<u>FUNERALS</u> 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, May 4, 7:00 PM

#### **OVER 55 LADIES LUNCH**

The April ladies over 55 lunch will be on **Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00 pm**.

Please join us at: **Papa's Pizza Place**8258 Janes Avenue, Woodridge



Please R.S.V.P. to Maryann Eglaston: 630-281-0587 or Alie Phillips: 630-649-3466 Before Sunday, April 23rd.



#### FISH Food Pantry & Community Services

Letter from Lynn Hayes, FISH Food Pantry, Corresponding Secretary was received in the parish office read the following:

Dear CTS Parishioners,

At the end of each week, our shelves can look bare, but then donations from generous individuals and groups show up and once again we are stocked and ready to help our neighbors. We can meet this weekly challenge of having enough food and essential items to distribute because of your help. Your support and support of all our donors keep the Pantry door open.

Thank you so much for your donations of 454 pounds of food in March. We could not do this without you.



Much gratitude for the cash donations for food and all the cans of much needed food.

#### **Hotline Numbers for Help**

Family Shelter Service Domestic Abuse
National Domestic Abuse Hotline

Illinois Adult Protective Services
Will County Crisis Line
Mayslake Ministries
Diocese of Joliet Sexual Abuse Victim

630-469-5650
800-799-SAFE
806-800-1409
815-722-3344
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Assistance Coordinator 815-263-6467 Waterleaf Women's Center 630-701-6270

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## 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



Thank you to all our RF students who presented the Station of the Cross on Good Friday.

You were all very inspirational in the love and reverence showed in sharing Jesus' Passion with the parish.

#### New Date for Confirmation



Due to unforeseen circumstances, Bishop Lane has asked Christ the Servant Church to reschedule Confirmation from Wednesday, May 17 to **Tuesday, May 16** at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church.

The Confirmation Practice will be rescheduled to  $\bf Monday$ ,  $\bf May 15$  at 7:00 a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

#### Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

**April 18-19** 

All Confirmation Students Confirmation Interviews

April 25-26 Class

Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Spring Art Show

**April 26(Wednesday)** All Confirmation students, Parents are invited to Confirmation Presentation "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity"

April 29-May 7 Weekend Masses

Spring RF Student's Art Show

April 29 (Saturday)

1st Communion Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.

May 2-3 Last Classes

May 6 (Saturday)

1st Communion Mass 11:00 a.m.

May 13-14 (Saturday and Sunday Masses)

May Crowning at all Masses

May 13 (Saturday)

Confirmation Retreat Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien

May 16 (Tuesday) 7:00pm

Confirmation Rehearsal

May 17 (Wednesday) 7:00pm

Confirmation

### First Communion News

Don't forget to turn in your Blue Banners and Votive Candle Holders



- April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am First Communion practice
- May 6<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 Reminders and News

All Confirmation paperwork are <u>due or are</u> <u>passed due</u> and should be turned in as soon as <u>possible</u> to be considered for Confirmation for this year. Please get them turned in to Christine Goba.

Shields maybe turned in at the May 13 retreat.

# <u>Confirmation Presentation:</u> <u>"Proof of Jesus' Resurrection</u> <u>and Divinity"</u>

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation by



Imogen, Sharon and Corby Schmitz on <u>Proof of Jesus'</u>
<u>Resurrection and Divinity</u>. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

#### **Confirmation Retreat**

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

<u>Please pray for our Confirmandi as they prepare to receive this most</u> 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!

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# Shine Jesus' Light!

CTS's Religious Formation Invites Children to Stellar VBS: Shine Jesus' Light! A summer kids' event called Stellar VBS will be hosted at Christ the Servant from June 19 to June 23. At Stellar, kids discover how they can shine Jesus' love and hope in everyday life! Stellar is for kids from kindergarten to 4th grade and will run from 9:30 to 11:45 each day. The cost is \$60 and includes a T-shirt. (Kids 5th grade and older are welcomed to join us as team leaders and are Free!!)

### Religious Formation Spring Art Show 2023

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The Religious Formation Art Show will be the weekend of April 29 - May 7. Please stop by after Mass to view our RF student's artwork and help support their interest in giving praise to God through the Arts.

Parents don't forget to keep saving your Child's artwork

and RF class work for the Spring Art Show Coming the weekend of April.

#### Save the Date!

Electronics Recycling/Textile & Book Collection Saturday, May 20, 2023 from 8:30 to 11:30 am Parking lot of Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Electronics recycling, clothing and book collection sponsored by eWorks ESI and CTS Green Team. Collection is open to all residents and small businesses. If you have more than 50 items, (3 pallets or greater), please contact eWorks to arrange for a special pickup.

Donation fee will apply for all televisions and monitors. Exact change only or credit card.

All types of books accepted, please 1 box only

Clean textiles will be accepted, please donate in plastic bags only.

#### Costs

CRT, Flat Screens, Projection TVs & Monitors Under 21 inch screen, cost: \$25 per unit 21 Inch screen and over, cost: \$35 per unit

Cash or Credit Card accepted. Please no checks.



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STUDENTS PLANNING ON ATTENDING A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL or Accredited University, College, or Trade School are Eligible to apply for the

## LEONARD M JARKA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship application and full eligibility requirements can be obtained from the Parish Office or by contacting out Scholarship Chairman Peter Gavlin at 630.416.9760. All applications must be submitted by APRIL 17, 2023. Applications can be submitted via email to gavhome@aol.com, printed and mailed to our Post Office Box (Robert P. Connelly Council #5918, PO Box 5144, Woodridge, IL 60517), or given to any Council 5918 officer or our Scholarship Chairman. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May.

#### Mass on Your Car Radio

To hear the mass clearly on our car radio, please use the parking spaces closest to the church, north end of parking lot.

### 2023 Catholic **Ministries Annual Appeal Diocese of Joliet**

2023 GOAL \$43,500

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$34,963 as of April 9, 2023

**AMOUNT PAID: \$27,890 REMAINING BALANCE: \$7,073 DONORS THIS YEAR: 185** 2023 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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



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## 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, April 15

4:45 PM Deceased members of the Dennis family, req. Pat Savage Ken Nelson, req. Paul Wisdom Lorraine Riedl, req. Cathy & Mark Porlier

#### Sunday, April 16—Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 AM Almaia Custadio, Louisse Imo, & Forrest Cruz req. Zenaida Cruz

10:00 AM James J., James G. Frale, Catherine & John Frale req. Frale family

#### Monday, April 17

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Tuesday, April 18

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Wednesday, April 19

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Thursday, April 20

8:30 AM People of the Parish



#### Friday, April 21

8:30 am Holy souls in Purgatory that are near heaven, souls that are most forsaken, req. Zenaida Cruz

#### Saturday, April 22

4:45 PM Lorraine Riedl, req. Jocob family James Crockett req. Colette & family Alan Adamski, req. Melinda Nowak

#### Sunday, April 23

8:30 AM Betty Peterek, req. Peterek family
10:00 AM Deceased members of the Frale family,
req. John J. Frale

## Bible Readings April 16 - April 23

SUNDAY: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42)

or Mt 28:1-10 (41) or Lk 24:13-35 (46)

MONDAY: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 (261)

TUESDAY: Acts 2:36-41/Jn20:11-18 (262)

WEDNESDAY: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24: 13-35 (263)

THURSDAY: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24;35-48 (264)

FRIDAY: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14 (265)

SATURDAY: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15 (266)

SUNDAY: Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn20:19-31 (43)

## We pray for the Sick

Barbara Hile **Bruce Barnhard** Barbara Bayro Fred Huth Sharon Bhaskar Brian Jackson Jessica James Jim Brabec Ravna Januska Pat Chang Donna Ciolek Ed Jascewsky Vic Cordes Madeline Jascewsky Jeanne Jordan Michael Durkovic Sr Ida Kenny Rudy Durkovic Paul Knight Vic Cordes Ray DiGrazia Barb Kosiek **Robert Losik Karl Eggers** Joyce Maples Marge Felix John M. Foresman Jan May Marty Foy Donna Mays Sue McGuire Joanne Fricke **Chuck Neal** Robert Gripp Joan Haffner Janice Proskey Bill Hartig **Bob Pluta** Wm. (Bill) Rausch Michael Harris Lolit Ranchero Carolyn Heinrich Robert Rodriguez Carol Hendrich

John Rossi
Sonja Rudny
Jose Sabado
Jim Sanders
Rita Sisko
Ken Sloup
Jennifer Stile
Dan Szymanski
Dennis Szulc
Frank Tiesenga
Mary Vanderplow
Bill Wagner
Judy Ward
Eddie Williamson
Andie Wolfe



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 **Tom Fricke family**, Especially his loving wife, Joanne.

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

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

Dan Ward, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward

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## Office Hours & Staff

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#### Office Hours

Friday	8:30 AM—1:30 PM
Mass Schedule	
Monday through Thursday	8:30 AM
Friday Communion Service	8:30 AM

Monday—Thursday......8:30 AM—4:30 PM

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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## Calendar of Events

#### Sunday, April 16 **Divine Mercy Sunday**

8:30 am-mass 10:00 am—mass

#### Monday, April 17

8:30 am—daily mass

3:00 pm—deacon Fricke's visitation 7:00 pm—P&SJ commission meeting

7:00 pm—R.F. commission meeting

#### Tuesday, April 18

8:30 am—daily mass

11:00 am-deacon Fricke's funeral mass 12:30 pm-Mah Jong (cancelled)

#### Wednesday, April 19

8:30 am—daily mass

#### Thursday, April 20

8:30 am—daily mass 9:30 am—yoga

Friday, April 21

8:30 am—communion service

#### Saturday, April 22

Peace & Soc Justice Letter Signing

4:45 on-mass

#### Sunday, April 23

Peace & Soc Justice Letter Signing 8:30 am-mass 10:00 am-mass

#### **Upcoming Events**

April 15/16—Jason Mohn, Exodus World Service & Peace and Social Justice Sharing Tree

April 15/16: Sign Offering Letters— Farm Bill

**April 15/16**—Divine Mercy Sunday

April 17—Deacon Fricke's wake 3 pm

**April 18**—Deacon Fricke's mass 11 am **April 17**—P&SJ commission

April 17—R.F. commission

(rescheduled)

April 22/23: Sign Offering Letters— Farm Bill

## Creation Care Corner

Avoiding the "Ostrich Effect"

Pope Francis challenges us to be on guard against the psychological tendency to minimize the climate crisis. "As often occurs in periods of deep crisis which require bold decisions, we are tempted to think that what is happening is not entirely clear. Superficially, apart from a few obvious signs of pollution and deterioration, things do not look that serious, and the planet could continue as it is for some time. Such evasiveness serves as a license to carrying on with our present lifestyles and models of production and consumption. This is the way human beings contrive to feed their self-destructive vices: trying not to see them, trying not to acknowledge them, delaying the important decisions and pretending that nothing will happen". (LS59)

## 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: April 5– April 11** 

Sunday 5,889.00 Sunday other forms \$ 9,892.00 General Funds \$ 172.00 Restricted \$ 00.00 671.00 Debt Reduction **Total Contributed** 16,624.00

Differential this period:

10,300.00 Needed Reported 16,624.00 Differential this period: 6,324.00

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

#### OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Holy Thursday (PADS) 1,062.00 \$ Good Friday (Holy Land) \$ 372.00 Easter collection 5,641.00

Debt to Diocese 3/31/2023 \$70,255.00 Registered Households—784

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

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