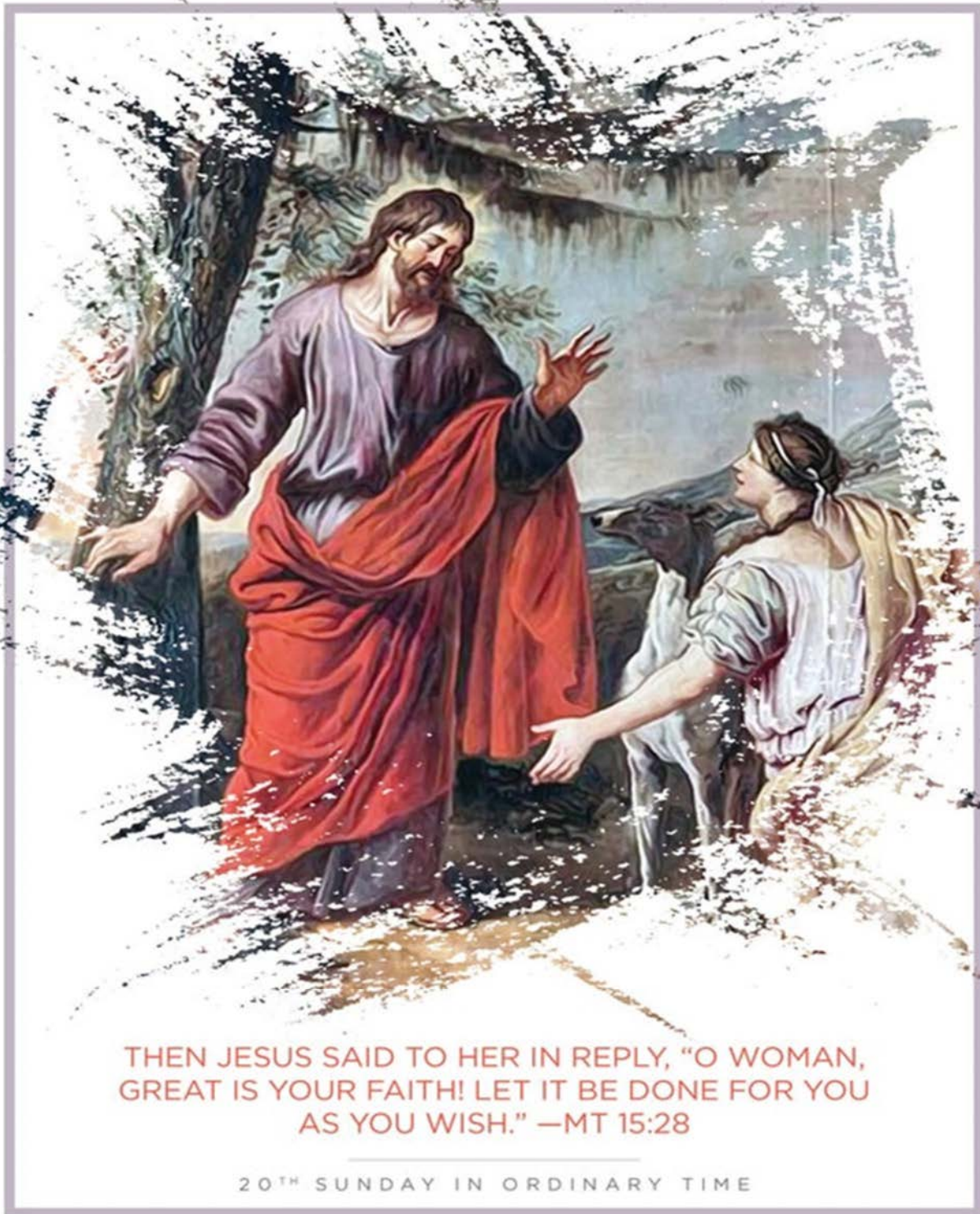


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others.



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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
Love alone extinguishes hatred. Love alone triumphs over injustice. Love alone makes room for others. Love alone is the path towards full communion among us.

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/ChristTheServant).



Sacrament of Baptism
Baptized on Sunday, August 6th



Ava Lynn Blaszczyk,
daughter of Michael and Jenna Blaszczyk

Levi Jhun Rodriguez,
son of Jesus Rodriguez and June Gianan

National Eucharistic Revival

I put before you the one great thing to love on earth:

the Blessed Sacrament.....

There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity and the true way of all your love on earth.

Catholic author J.R.R. Tolkien



Donations for altar flowers will be accepted in the parish office. (\$35 suggested donation). Flower request forms are in a basket in the narthex by the Sacristy. 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.



Make-A-Will Sunday

August is National Make-A-Will Month and a perfect opportunity for our community to reflect on the many gifts God has blessed us with. At Christ the Servant, we're taking this a step further with Make-A-Will Sunday. This month, we invite you to set aside time to think through your estate plan and how you can best steward what God has entrusted to you.

To help you with this process, Christ the Servant offers an online estate planning tool you can use to create your will for free online and safeguard all that you love.

Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet to get started on your will.

Welcome New Parish Members

Welcome to the Ryan and Michelle Hyde family who recently joined the parish.



Be gracious to us, O Lord, for we are in distress.

PSALM 31:9

God, bring consolation and relief

to Maui.

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

Many thanks to each of the volunteers who pulled, cut and sprayed the weeds around the entire church property over the past week. The grounds look marvelous with less weeds!



**August Manna
Gift Cards—Sale**



Manna gift card order forms are available in the narthex or on the CTS website. If you have questions, call Bill C at 630-724-9498 or the parish office at 630-910-0770. Orders placed (and paid for) by the 10:30 am mass on August 27th. Orders will be ready for pickup the weekend of September 2nd & 3rd. Thanks for your support.

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 11:00 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, please call Alie Phillips at 630-649-3466.

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, September 7, 7:00 PM**

**Ladies August
Lunch
Tuesday, August
22nd at 1:00 PM**



The over 55 ladies luncheon will be at:
Bar Louie—Main Street Promenade Mall
619 East Boughton Road, Bolingbrook
Please R.S.V.P. by August 20th to:
**Ginny at 630-881-5632 or
Sandy at 770-634-6591**



**Save the Date
Annual Parish Fund Raiser
Friday, October 13th
Starting at 6:00 pm**

Bavarian Blast!

Details about the parish **Bavarian Blast fund raiser** will follow in future bulletins. Remember to, *Save the date* for good food, raffle baskets, music and sharing the evening with your parish community.



Thank you!

As the rising cost of food leaves many of our neighbors unable to make ends meet, local partners like you are making a meaningful difference. Parents are struggling to feed their kids, adults can't afford to buy groceries & seniors facing hunger are being forced to choose between food and medicine. Your generous support is the silver lining in all of this.

Christ the Servant Parish's food donation of **160 pounds** of non-perishable food in July is helping **West Suburban Community Pantry** connect people with food and hope.

"Every day, you're bring us closer to our vision of community without hunger. Thank you for standing with your neighbor". —WSCP

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

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

CHRIST THE SERVANT RELIGIOUS FORMATION



We are excited to assist and accompany your family on their journey of faith here in our parish. The Religious Formation Office is concerned with equipping your child with the skills to develop a personal and grace filled relationship with Jesus. The instruction that we provide for your child is intended to extend your resources in order to help you foster spiritual growth within your family life. The Religious Formation program partners with families in the passing on of the Catholic faith with a formalized, systematic program based

on your child's developmental level for Kindergarten through 8th grade. We are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

Religious Education Registration

RF registration information forms are in the back of church.

July 5 – September 24	Tuition \$175
September 25 – October 24	Tuition \$190
October 25 – February	Tuition \$200

2023-2024 Religious Formation Elementary Class Days and Times

Remote eLearning is independent study and does not have a set time to meet each week



(Additional sessions may be added or canceled as needed)

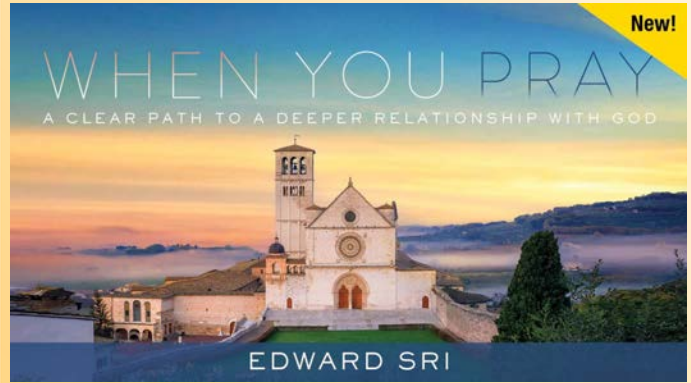
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
4:45-6:00 PM	Grades 1-8	Grades K-4, & 8	Grades 1-8
6:30-7:45 PM		Grades 5-8	Grades 5-8
eLearning	Grades 1-8 (any day of the week)		

Confirmation & Communion remote students are required to be in person for some activities for the Sacrament preparation.



Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith Formation is genuinely happy to be able work with your family to prepare and receive the Sacraments. The Sacraments are God's great gift to mankind and so there is great joy in being able to share this wonderful gift and work of God with your family. The seven sacraments touch all the stages and all the important moments of Christian life: "they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian's life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life." (St Thomas Aquinas)

NEW ADULT STUDY COMING SOON!



When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

You know that prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.

Join us for When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God at Christ the Servant in coming this fall. Stay tuned for more details.

Is God calling you to share your faith?

Is God calling you to share your faith with His children? No one else can answer God's call to His mission for your life but you. If you do not respond to God's call, the unique work that God wanted to accomplish through you will not get done.

Volunteers and Catechist are essential to running a successful RF program. There are many different ways to help like there are many different types of children.

Come join us as we work to make a difference, one child at a time. Please call the RF Director Christine Goba at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org if you are able to give time to help during the year.



Sacrament Reminder



Don't forget if your child is planning on making a sacrament that **the Diocese of Joliet requires that children complete a minimum of two consecutive years of religious formation before receiving sacraments.** Typically, in 2nd grade, our children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the late fall and the

Sacrament of Eucharist in the spring. (Children must have participated in RF in first and second grade or two other consecutive years of preparation). Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation, which will be conferred at the end of 8th grade according to the Bishop's schedule begins in 6th and 7th grade. (Full participation in RF in 7th and 8th grade is the minimum enrollment required.)

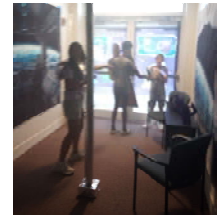
Religious Formation Up Coming Dates

- July 6- September 24** Religious Formation Registration 2023-2024 (Tuition \$175)
- August 22** Youth Group 6:30-7:30
- August 25 or 26** Catechist Retreat / Meeting
- September 5** Youth Group 6:30-7:30
- September 10** Catechist Coffee & Teats Meet-up
- September 11, 12, and 13** RF family prayer service and open house.
- September 17** Catechetical Sunday
- September 18, 19 and 20** first regular class
- September 21 and 22** remote student book pickup 3-5pm
- September 25-October 24** Registration Tuition increase (Tuition \$190)
- October 27** Set up for Reconciliation Retreat
- October 28** Reconciliation Retreat "Forgiveness Day"
- November 4** Confirmation Parent Meeting 11:00
- November 12** RF Grand Event 2-3:30

Youth Group



This Summer, children **grades 5-9** are invited to join Religious Formation twice a month for a different activity intended to illustrate a concept from Sacred Scripture and Tradition. We will meet every other Tuesday in Summer from **6:30-7:30 PM**. The first meeting will be July 11th and run until September 5th.



Topics such as Psalm 22, Virtue, Matthew 16:13-20, Jeremiah 30-33/ Baptism and the New Covenant will be discussed and reinforced with an aligning activity. Activities include: game night, laser tag, movie night, bonfire/glow night, and outdoor water games with slip and slide.

Schedule:

- August 22**—Matthew 16:13-20 & Outdoor Water Games
- September 5**—Baptism & Bonfire/Glow Night



SCAN QR CODE

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

2023 GOAL \$43,500
 AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$44,253 as of August 13, 2023
 AMOUNT PAID: \$39,045
 REMAINING BALANCE: \$5,208
 DONORS THIS YEAR: 217
 2023 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0
Thank you so much for your generosity! God bless you!!!



Religious Education Sponsorship – Faith Forward



No child should be denied being taught about God just because their parents cannot afford to send their children. To help our parents pay for Religious Education we are starting a Religious Education Sponsorship program. We invite you to become part of the Faith Forward: Christ the Servant Religious Education's Sponsorship Program. By sponsoring the faith formation of a child – by passing your faith forward — you help to lay the foundation and shape the future of both our children and the whole of our Catholic community.

There are several ways to financially assist in passing your faith forward:

A \$175.00 donation will pay for one year of religious education tuition

\$100.00 will pay for the Sacrament fee of a child who cannot afford the fees for receiving a Sacrament

\$25.00 will purchase a child's textbook for the year.

Other sponsorships such as retreat expenses, high school programs, speaker engagements, classroom audio/video equipment are also available.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 19

4:45 PM Poor Souls in Purgatory, req. Pat Savage
 Patricia & Leo Gross, req. Judy Juds
 Lorriane Riedl, req. Carlene Arke
 Deacon Tom Fricke, req. Karen & Stephen Jackson
 Una O'Donnell, req. Jim & Melinda Nowak

Sunday, August 20

8:30 AM Arthur Valliere, req. Suzanne Valiere
 10:00 AM Jack Sullivan, req. the Casey family
 The Frale family, req. John Frale
 Dick DuSatko, req. DeSatko family

Monday, August 21

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 22

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 23

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, August 24

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, August 25

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, August 26

4:45 PM Jack Sullivan, req. Paul Wisdom
 Rosemary DiVincenzo, req. Vince DiVincenzo
 Lorriane Riedl, req. Julie & Scott Lucas
 Jessica Marshall, req. Chandler family

Sunday, August 27

8:30 AM Robert Glas, req. John & Marge Stancel
 Ed Rechner, req. Ed Rechner, req. Ann & Jim Kolar
 10:00 AM Deacon Tom Fricke, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek
 Eddie Williamson, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek

Bruce Barnhard	Carol Hendrich	Nam Pham
Barbara Bayro	Barbara Hile	Janice Proskey
Frank Bayro	Fred Huth	Bob Pluta
Sharon Bhaskar	Tony Iovito	Wm. (Bill) Rausch
Jim Brabec	John Ito	Lolit Rancho
Renee Brennan	Brian Jackson	John Rossi
Pat Chang	Jessica James	Sonja Rudny
Donna Ciolek	Rayna Januska	Jim Sanders
Vic Cordes	Ed Jascewsky	Rita Sisko
Michael Durkovic Sr	Madeline Jascewsky	David Sivak
Rudy Durkovic	Paul Jasinevicius	Ken Sloup
Ray DiGrazia	Ramon Joson	Jennifer Stile
Tina Fassero	Jeanne Jordan	Dan Szymanski
Marge Felix	Ida Kenny	Dennis Szulc
John M. Foresman	Paul Knight	Mary Vanderplow
Marty Foy	Barb Kosiek	Bill Wagner
Joanne Fricke	Barbara Kuehn	Judy Ward
Robert Gripp	Robert Losik	Patricia Wheeler
Joan Haffner	Joyce Maples	
Bill Hartig	Jan May	
Michael Harris	Donna Mays	
Carolyn Heinrich	Chuck Neal	



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

We pray for the Deceased



May God give comfort and peace to Melinda and Jim Nowak, they recently lost,
Una O'Donnell

The tabernacle light burns this week in loving memory of the People 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.

Readings for the Week August 13-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/
 Mt 14:22-33 (115)
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27 (413)
Tuesday: Rv 11:19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk1: 39-56 (622)
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20 (415)
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 18:21—19:1 (416)
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24/Mt 19:3-12 (417)
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16: 1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15 (418)
Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/
 Mt 15:21-28 (118)

Office Hours & Staff

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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

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Commission Chairpersons

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, August 20

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
11:00 am—baptism

Monday, August 21

8:30 am—daily mass
7:00 pm—P&SJ commission

Tuesday, August 22 -

8:30 am—daily mass
6:30 pm--RF youth group

Wed, August 23

8:30 am—communion service

Thursday, Aug 24

8:30 am—mass
9:30 am—yoga

Friday, August 25

8:30 am—communion service

Saturday, August 26

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, August 27

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass



Upcoming Events

Aug 20: Baptism 11 am
Aug 21: P&SJ 7:00 pm
Aug 22: RF youth group 6:30 pm
Aug 28: PPC 7:00 pm
Sept 3: Baptism
Sept 4: Labor Day—Parish offices are closed
Sept 5: Mahjong 12:30 pm
Sept 5: RF Youth group 6:30 pm
Sept 6: New Catechist meeting
Sept 7: Baptism prep class 7 pm
Oct 13: Bavarian Blast— all parish

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: 2023- 2024

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: Aug. 9—Aug. 15

Sunday	\$ 3,654.00
Sunday other forms	\$ 4,922.00
General Funds	\$ 20.00
Restricted	\$ 230.00
Debt Reduction	\$ <u>381.00</u>
Total Contributed	\$ 9,207.00

Differential this period:

Needed	\$ 10,300.00
Reported	\$ 9,207.00
Differential this period:	\$ 1,093.00

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Assumption of Blessed Mary: \$25.00

Debt to Diocese 7/31/2023
\$24,703.00

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. You can avoid paying taxes on your IRA disbursements by having the check mailed directly to the church. Consult with your financial advisor for information. You can avoid paying taxes on your IRA disbursements by having the check mailed directly to the church. 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.

Leave a Legacy.

Creation Care Corner

Faith, Urgency & Action

Climate stories have been dominating the news cycle lately. Record breaking heat waves, droughts, wildfires and related air quality issues are getting progressively worse. Pope Francis reminds us that the scientific consensus is that burning fossil fuels is the primary driver.

God has given us the intelligence to address the problem before irreversible damage is done. Francis, in his World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation tells us we **"must listen to science and institute a rapid and equitable transition to end the era of fossil fuels."** Let us act individually with a sense of urgency to do what we can to mitigate the problem. Let's also join with larger groups to amplify our power and to influence our representatives, civic and religious leaders to act.

-Pope Francis