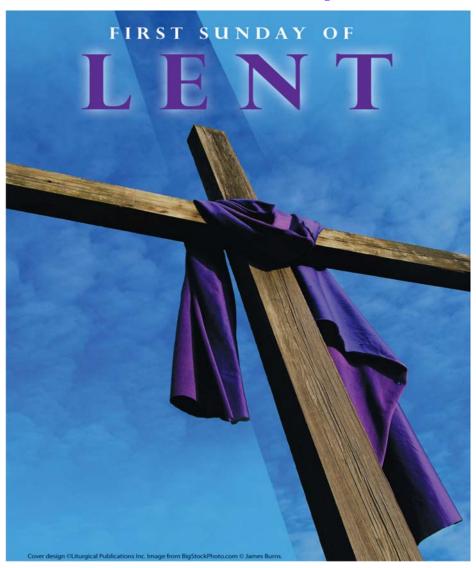
Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Our Faith in Action—Serving God. Serving Others. 8700 Havens Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517 630-910-0770





February 17 & 18, 2024

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:45 pm Sunday: 8:30 am, and 10:00 am

<u>Daily</u>

Monday—Thursday 8:30 am, and Communion Service on Friday 8:30 am

Lent Mission Speaker

February 25 at 3:00 pm Fr. Matthew Jamesson The Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration

The **Rosary** is prayed the first Friday of each month at 9:00 am in the Eucharistic Chapel.

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you to Christ the Servant! Registration forms are available in the narthex by the Sacristy. Please feel free to ask a host member where to find forms, Religious Formation information & the bulletin.

RECONCILIATION: Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or by appointment with Fr. Bob.

SACREMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism is celebrated twice a month, first and third Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:00 am. Patents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class, offered the first Thursday of each month. You must register for the preparation class by calling the parish office at: 630-910-0770.

SACREMENT OF 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>FUNERAL:</u> Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

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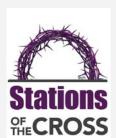
There is a form of sorrow that is part of our conversion and can be transformed into joy with God's grace. But another kind of sadness makes the soul despondent. This second kind of sadness must be fought with all our strength, because it comes from the evil one. Francis' Tweet for the Week

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.



Fridays in Lent 7:00 pm All Are Welcome



February 23 March 1, 15, 22, and Good Friday, March 29.

Friday, March 8, special Lenten service with Father John Dear.

<u>Lent Mission Speaker</u> <u>Sunday, February 25, 3:00 pm</u>

All parishioners are invited to hear Fr. Matthew Jamessson, from the Archdiocese of Chicago speaking in the church about, "The Holy Eucharist Quenches My Thirsting Soul".

"The Holy Eucharist Quenches My Thirsting Soul"



Eucharistic Revival



If I can give you any advice, I beg you to get closer to the Eucharist and Jesus. We must pray to Jesus to give us that tenderness of the Eucharist.

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Liturgy Spotlight

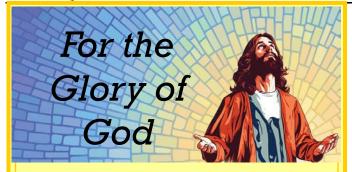
Lent is much more than a long period of selfdiscipline. It is the time when we strive to change our lives, to undergo conversion so we are more perfectly grafted onto Christ. It is a time to celebrate dying to self so that we can continually rise to new life in Christ.



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Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com. Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar. 1st Sunday of Lent Page 3



If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! If we all join together, we can meet our parish's goal of \$42,900. Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly matters and makes a difference.

If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can support the CMAA this year to help those in need throughout our diocese, *For the Glory of God.* Pledge envelopes are still available in the narthex.

Gifts are also welcomed online at: Jolietdioceseappeal.org

Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70% of the amount over goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing.

Some of the following ministries receive funding from the CMAA:

Adult Faith Formation
Disabilities Ministry
Ethnic Ministry
Missions

Catechist
Divine Worship
Family Ministry
Religious Education

Respect for Life Catholic Charities Catholic Schools

Seminarian Education and Vocations (The cost to educate one seminarian is \$52,250 per year)

Thank you for financially supporting our 2024 parish CMAA goal amount of \$42,900.

<u>Ladies 55 and Over February Luncheon</u> Tuesday, February 27, 2024

1:00 pm At: :Shanahan's 1999 75th Street, Woodridge 60517



Please R.S.V.P. Helene 630-910-5147 or Gloria 331-201-6193

Note From Hope's Front Door

We thank you for your generous contribution on 12/30/2023 for \$1,190.00 to Hope's Front Door. Your donation will help provide for those items that are desperately needed such as food, transportation, medication, eye & dental care.

"I did not think other people in the community knew there were people like me who were struggling & needed help. I heard about this organization, Hope's Front Door, and was amazed! This organization was the best place I had ever heard of: I was able to receive help right away & long-term as I looked for a new job." May, Hope's Front Door Client

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

We can all help prevent suicide. The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis re-

sources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States. **Dial 988 to talk!**



https://988lifeline.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

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Religious Formation News

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.

For more information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoba@rcdoj.org



Religious Formation Spring Art Show 2023

The Religious Formation Art Show will be the weekend of April 27-May 5. RF student are asked to summit artwork that they would like to display in the Spring Art show. Parents don't forget to keep saving your Child's artwork and RF class work for the Spring Art Show.

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)

You may pick one of the following class sessions to attend.

Con-						
	Monday Afternoon	Tuesday Afternoon	Tuesday Evening	Wednesday Afternoon	Wednesday Evening	Remote
K		Tuesday 4:45- 6:00 PM				
1st	Monday 4:45- 6:00 PM	FULL 6:00				Remote any day
2nd		Tuesday 4:45- 6:00 PM		Wednesday 4:45-6:00 PM		Remote any day
3rd		Tuesday 4:45- 6:00 PM				Remote any day
4th			Tuesday 6:30- 7:45 PM	Wednesday 4:45-6:00 PM		Remote any day
5th	Monday 4:45- 6:00 PM		Tuesday 6:30- 7:45 PM	Wednesday 4:45-6:00 PM		Remote any day
6th		4	FULL 7:45	Wednesday 4:45-6:00 PM		Remote any day
7th	Monday 4:45- 6:00 PM	4	FULL 7:4-		Wednesday 6:30-7:45 PM	Remote any day
8th				Wednesday 4:45-6:00 PM	Wednesday 6:30-7:45 PM	Remote any day

No Classes Presidents Day

No Class on Presidents Day, Monday, February 19. Students are asked to work online or attend a Tuesday or Wednesday session.

Come join us for a St. Patrick and St. Joseph Mass and Celebration



Come join Religious Formation Families on March 18 at the 4:45 Mass for an Irish Flavored Mass and St. Joseph Table. Refreshments will be served after Mass. Don't forget to wear green!



Confirmation Presentation "True Happiness"



All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, February 21 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation by Cindy Fish on True Happiness. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.



Confirmation Reminders and News

Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Conlon, May 14 at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church.

Confirmation practice is May 13 at 7:00 a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

Confirmation Paperwork

Students who are preparing to receive Confirmation this year are should turning in their required paperwork.

Confirmation Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 11 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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

Choosing Catholic Higher Education



Catholic higher education offers a unique path: delivering academic excellence, preparing students to become leaders, and exploring today's professional responsibilities while incorporating personal responsibility for social justice. 1st Sunday of Lent Page 5

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

February 19 No Class on PRESIDENTS DAY students work online or join Tue or Wed classes

February 20/21 Regular Classes

February 21 (Wednesday) Confirmation Presentation "True Happiness" presented by Cindy Fish

February 26/27/28 Regular Classes

March 4/5/6 Regular Classes

March 6 Saint information form due for all students who plan on being Confirmed 5/14/24

March 6 (Wednesday) Confirmation Presentation "Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?" Presented by Bill Ciolek

March 11/12/13 Grades 2-8 Reconciliation and Lent Class Projects

March 16 (Saturday) 1st COMMUNION RETREAT First Communion Retreat 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. (Child and Parent event for preparation for 1st Communion)

March 17 (Sunday) MASS RF Student Host St. Patrick and St. Joseph Mass 10:00 and St. Joseph table (hospitality)

March 17 Confirmation Letter to the Pastor due Letter to the Pastor is due for students who are planning on being Confirmed 5/13/24

March 18-27 NO CLASS Spring Break

March 24-30 NO CLASS Holy Week

March 29 Good Friday RF Students Stations of the Cross

March 31 Easter (Holy Day of Obligation)

April 1,2,3 Regular Classes

April 3 Confirmation project and service due Saint project and service work must be completed and turned in for students who plan on be Confirmed 5/13/24

April 3 (Wednesday) All Confirmation students and Parents Confirmation Presentation "Proof of Jesus Resurrection and Divinity" presented by the Schmitz family

April 8/9/10 Regular Classes



Christ the Servant Church and Religious Faith
Formation are genuinely happy to be able to 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)

STARTING THIS JANUARY



Parish Enrichment Series: Thursdays 2:00-3:15 When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

Participants our invited to **meet every**Thursday thru

February 22 for an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellow-

ship. There is a \$25 fee for the workbook for participants who wish to purchase a book to follow along.

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.

Parish Lenten Mission with guest speaker Fr. Matt Jamesson



Join us for our parish mission this Lent on Sunday, February 25th at 3:00 PM. The mission will take place here, at Christ the Servant in the worship space. There will be Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Fr. Matt Jamesson from the Archdiocese of Chicago will give at talk on the Eucharist. All are invited!

Sacrament Reminder

Don't forget, if your child is planning on making a Sacrament **the Diocese of Joliet requires 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.)

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 17

4:45 PM Ken Sloup, req. Worship Commission
Al Urbanski req. Casey Kellner
Joseph DeFrancesco, req. Therese DeFrancesco

Sunday, February 18

8:30 AM Michael Lopez, req. Andie Wolfe Joseph DeFrancesco, req. Therese DeFrancesco 10:00 AM St. John the Apostle, Villa Park, and

St. Alexander Parish, Villa Park, req. Diocese of Joliet

Monday, February 19

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, February 20

8:30 AM St. John the Apostle, Villa Park, req/Diocese of Joliet

Wednesday, February 21

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, February 22

8:30 AM St. Alexander Parish, Villa Park, req. Diocese of Joliet

Friday, February 23

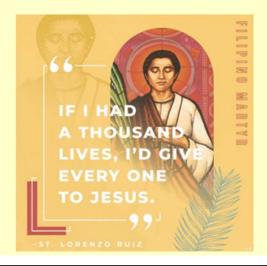
8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, February 24

4:45 PM Ken Sloup, req. Tom & Christine Bojanowski

Sunday, February 25

8:30 AM The John Frale family, req. family 10:00 AM People of the Parish



Readings for the week of February 18, 2024

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15 Wednesday:Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32 Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Prayers for the Sicl

Barbara Bayro Frank Bavro Sharon Bhaskar Jim Brabec Renee Brennan Pat Chang Vic Cordes Michael Durkovic Sr Rudy Durkovic Ray DiGrazia Marge Felix John M. Foresman Marty Foy Mary Chap-Grigar Robert Gripp Joan Haffner Bill Hartig Michael Harris Carolyn Heinrich Carol Hendrich Barbara Hile Fred Huth Tony Iovito John Ito

Brian Jackson

Cathy Jackson Jessica James Rayna Januska Ed Jascewsky Madeline Jascewsky Ramon Joson Jeanne Jordan Paul Knight Barb Kosiek Barbara Kuehn Mike Leach Robert Losik Cathy Magee Joyce Maples Jan May Donna Mays Arturo Mendez Robert Mizek Anna Moneghini Chuck Neal Nam Pham Carmen Pegnatiello Janice Proskey **Bob Pluta**

Wm. (Bill) Rausch Lolit Ranchero Genevieve Ragnanese **Barb Rogers** John Rossi Sonja Rudny Karen Salvio Jim Sanders Rita Sisko David Sivak Marlene Snedeker Jennifer Stile Dan Szymanski **Dennis Szulc** Michelle Toro Mary Vanderplow Jim Verdi Bill Wagner Judy Ward Nancy Warnecke Patricia Wheeler

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.



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



We pray for those who Serve Our Country

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. 1st Sunday of Lent Page 7

Office Hours & Staff

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Office Hours

Monday— I nursday	8:30 AM—4:30 PM					
Friday	8:30 AM-1:30 PM					
Mass Schedule						
Monday through Thursday	8:30 AM					

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment

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Mary Goba, Admin Assistant Ext. 102

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, February 18

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

Monday, February 19

8:30 am—daily mass

7:00 pm—finance commission

7:00 pm—P&SJ meeting

Tuesday, February 20

8:30 am—daily mass

Wed, February 21

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., February 22

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—yoga

Friday, February 23

8:30 am—communion service 7:00 pm—stations of the cross

Saturday, February 24

4:45 pm—mass

2:00 pm—wedding

Sunday, February 25

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass 3:00 pm—Lent Speaker Fr. Matt

Jamesson in the church

Upcoming Events Calendar

Feb 19: Presidents Day

Feb 19: Finance commission 7 pm

Feb 19: P&SJ meeting 7 pm

Feb 23: Stations of the cross 7 pm

Feb 24: Wedding 2 pm

Feb 25: Lenten Mission Speaker, Fr.

Matthew Jamesson 3 pm

March: Easter Treat Sale

March 1: Stations of the cross 7 pm

March 8: Fr John Dear-speaker for

Lent at 7 pm in the church.

March 9 Knights of Columbus Easter Egg Hunt at St. Scholastica 11:30 am

March 15: Stations of the cross 7 pm

March 20: Confessions 7 pm

March 22: Stations of the cross 7 pm

Creation Care Corner

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023- 2024

Parish Expenses \$ 7,700.00 Total Needed \$ **7,700.00**

CONTRIBUTIONS: Feb 7—Feb 13

 Sunday
 \$ 4,020.00

 Sunday other forms
 \$ 4,469.00

 General Funds
 \$ 30.00

 Restricted
 \$ 18.75

 Capital Projects
 \$ 393.00

 Total Contributed
 \$ 8,930.75

Differential this period:

 Needed
 \$ 7,700.00

 Reported
 \$ 8,930.75

 Differential this period:
 \$ 1,230.75

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Ash Wednesday \$ 30.00

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 your financial advisor with information.

2023 GOAL \$43,500



AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$46,964 as of January 21, 2024.

AMOUNT PAID: \$44,484 REMAINING BALANCE: \$2,480 DONORS THIS YEAR: 230 2023 REBATE AMOUNT: \$689

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

Fast for Creation Care

2023 was the hottest year on record.

Pope Francis continues to remind us that irresponsible consumption patterns and their associated carbon pollution have a very real and negative impact on the poor. The

prophet Isaiah suggested that the only kind of fasting worth our time is fasting that "breaks unjust bonds, ... and does not turn its back on its own" (Is. 58:6-7). Consider taking decisive steps this Lenten season to hear "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor," and to reduce energy consumption.

Simple individual steps you can take include eating less meat, eating lower on the food chain, driving and flying less, adjusting the thermostat, wasting less water, generating less plastic waste and stepping-up your personal advocacy. This message is even more urgent now because of our planet's ecological crisis, which has as its root causes overconsumption and misuse of the earth's resources.