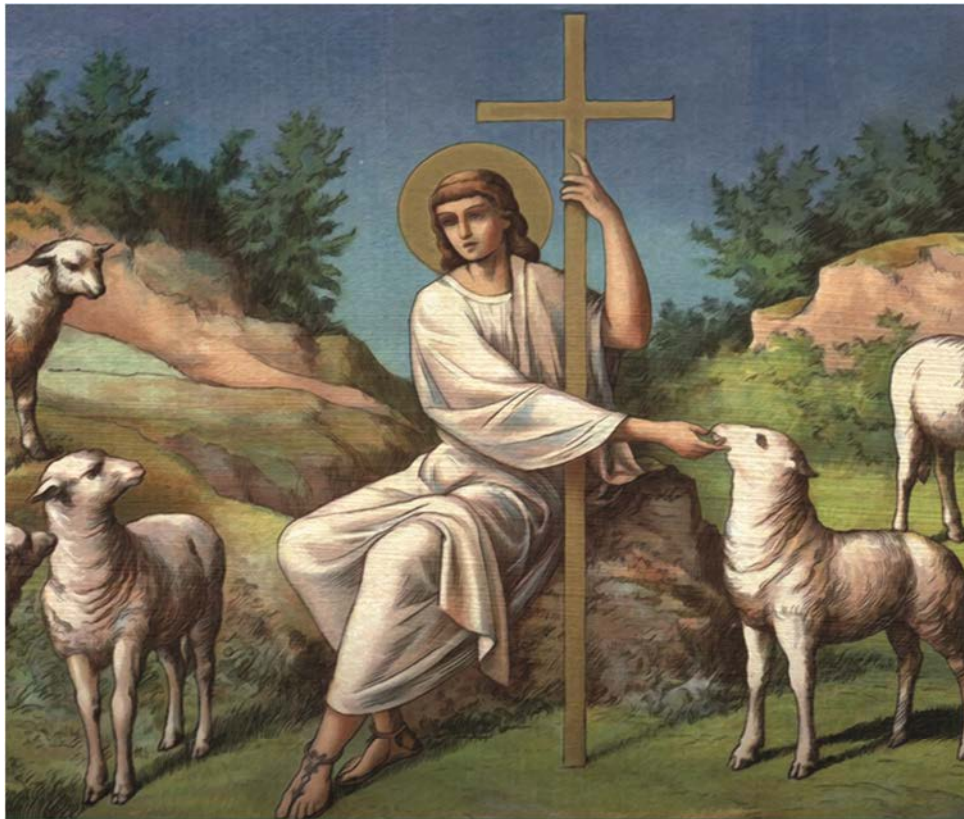


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

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Sunday, April 21, 2024

Mass Schedule

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

Daily Mass Schedule

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

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.

SACRAMENT 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.

SACRAMENT 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.

FUNERAL: Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

Francis' Tweet for the Week

Jesus has triumphed over evil. He turned His cross into the bridge to the resurrection. Raise your hands to Him daily to praise and bless Him. Tell Him the hopes of your heart and share with Him your deepest secrets. God loves this kind of living, concrete, and heartfelt.

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/UC1tththeservant).



**WELCOME TO AMERICA PACK
APRIL 21-22, AFTER ALL MASSES**

On the weekend of April 21-22, there will be tags specifying items to buy for the Exodus Welcome to America Pack. All items need to be NEW and should be brought back to Church April 27/28. The items will be delivered when we have the date and place.



You are welcome to help deliver the Pack and help set up the apartment. It can be a lot of fun! Let one of the organizers know.



The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love

- ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

**Woodridge Knights Raffleing
Cubs Baseball Game Tickets**


This weekend the Woodridge Knights will begin selling raffle tickets to win Cubs baseball game tickets. Sales will continue in the narthex **May 4/5 & May 18/19th.**



The Knights are raffling three separate Cubs ticket packets. Packets are for different game dates. Games are played at Wrigley Field this summer. Buyer can choose the game date (s) to buy raffle tickets for. Knights will have three different envelopes for capturing tickets bought, one set of four tickets for each game. Games: Sunday, June 2, vs. Cincinnati Reds; Wednesday, June 19, vs. San Fran Giants; Thursday, July 4, vs. Philadelphia Phillies; Each game offers excellent seats.

Tickets are \$5 for one or \$10 for 3 raffles. The drawing for the raffles will occur at the Knights meeting on May 22nd.

The Knights will also raffle Cubs vs. Sox tickets later in May or early June. The cross town game is scheduled for Saturday, August 10th at Sox ball park. The winner will be drawn at our meeting on July 24th.



DID YOU KNOW?

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS IS OBSERVED ON GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY.

Liturgy Spotlight . . .

The Liturgy gives glory to God because it allows us—here, on earth to see God in the celebration of the mysteries, and in seeing Him to draw life his Passover. We, who were dead through our sins and have been made be alive again with Christ we are the glory of God.

-Desiderio desideravi. 43

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

Thank You!!

Doesn't our worship space look beautiful? That is because of all those who worked so hard to make our Church a fitting place to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!

Thank you to all of you who volunteered your time to help out the members of the Worship Commission hang banners, place flowers, change altar, credence table and gift table cloths, and decorate the outside of our Church building as well as the inside. The result certainly looks like a labor of love! The Worship Commission also wants to say Thank You to those of you who were able to come to the Triduum practice that was held on Palm Sunday. We know that sometimes sacrifices are made to help - and to be at a practice. The gift of time that you give is never unnoticed and is always appreciated!



Easter Blessings to everyone!



Save the Date

Mark your calendar NOW to reserve the date of Friday, May 17, 2024 @ 6 pm for our annual **Volunteer Appreciation Night!**



Sign up posters will go up soon. Come for a fun evening of comradery, food, drink and our ever popular Trivia Challenge! Prizes awarded to the winning team. Looking forward to seeing you there.

FISH Donation 644 Pounds Hams and Canned Goods

The following letter was received from Downers Grove FISH Food Pantry & Community Services.....

Thank you so much for your generous donation of 644 pounds of hams & canned goods in the month of March. In the last year, our volunteers recorded 8,437 hours of service. Our pantry workers, food recovery drivers, telephone responders, senior delivery drivers, managers & board members all made the commitment to help our neighbors in need. You also make that commitment when you donate to FISH. Your generosity means full grocery bags for those who come to use and help. You give our clients the renewed faith that they do not face their daily struggles alone. Your donations make a difference.
Lynn Hayes
Corresponding Secretary

Thanks Religious Formation students for the donation of 120 pounds of canned goods!

Ladies Over 55 April Luncheon

The ladies lunch will be Tuesday, April 23rd at:

Stevens Restaurant,
2393 63rd St. Woodridge.



We will be meeting at the restaurant at 1:00 pm. **Please join us. Remember to R.S.V.P. to Carol 630-427-9030 or Pat 630-985-5638**



Ordering Gift Cards

Order gift cards through the Christ the Servant Manna program at no additional costs to you.

Manna gift card order forms are in the narthex on the large table by the door. This April order will be in time to give gift cards for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, graduations and daily purchases at local stores, gas stations and restaurants.

Orders are due Sunday, April 28 by 10:30 am. Gift cards will be available for pickup on May 4th & 5th or through the parish office.

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

First Communion Dates

- **April 27th at 10:00 am**
First Communion practice.
- **April 27th** Communion banners and candles are due
- **May 4th 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



Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Conlon, **May 14th at 7:00 pm** here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is Wednesday, **May 8th 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 Interviews

Confirmation interviewed will be during the Wednesday, **April 17** class.

Confirmation Retreat

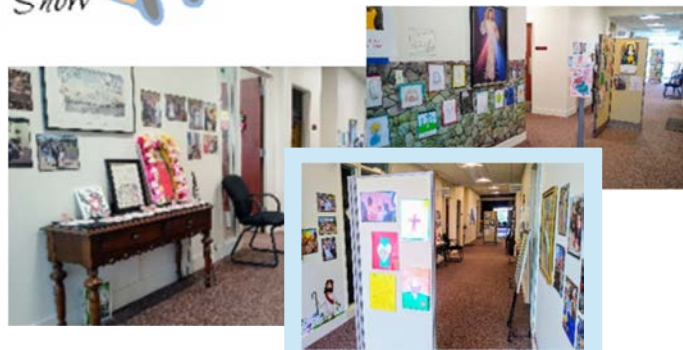
All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on **Saturday, May 11th** at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

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

Religious Formation Spring Art Show 2024



The Religious Formation Art Show will be the weekends of April 27-May 5. RF student are asked to submit artwork that they would like to display in the Spring Art show. Parents don't forget to keep saving your Child's artwork so the piece can be displayed.



This exciting, first-of-its-kind youth event will be held at Lewis University on June 1, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. An unforgettable one-day conference dedicated to

transforming the lives of 8th - 12th graders into passionate and joyful disciples, participants will:

- Engage with national keynote speakers
 - Experience uplifting praise and worship
 - Deepen their faith through Eucharistic adoration
 - Find renewal in Reconciliation
- Cost: \$75/person

Christ the Servant is planning on taking our 7th grade (currently in 7th) thru high school to Illuminate Joliet Youth Day

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

- April 22/23/24 Regular Classes
- April 24 Last Day to Turn in Artwork for Spring Art Show
- April 27-May 5 Weekend Spring RF Student's Art Show
- April 27 (Saturday) 1st Communion Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.
- April 29/30/May 1 Last Classes
- May 4 (Saturday) 1st Communion Mass 11:00 a.m.
- May 8, 7:00pm (Wednesday) Confirmation Rehearsal
- May 11 (Saturday) Confirmation Retreat
- May 14, 7:00pm (Tuesday) Confirmation
- May 19 (Sunday) MASS May Crowning at all Masses
- June 10-14 VBS Vacation Bible School Scuba

CTS's Religious Formation Invites Children to VBS Scuba: Diving into friendship with God!



A summer kids' event called Scuba VBS will be hosted at Christ the Servant from **June 10 to June 14**. At Scuba, kids explore what it means to have a friendship with God! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out sciency-fun experiments that get imagination bubbling. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Fin-tastic Finale that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned.

Scuba is for kids from kindergarten to 4th grade and will run from 9:30 to 11:45 each day. The cost is \$70 and includes a T-shirt. (Kids 5th grade and older are welcomed to join us as team leaders and are Free!!)

\$70.00 per child
Includes a t-shirt

we hope to "sea" you here!

Calling All Youth Singers

Calling all youth singers K-12th Grade! We need your voice to complete the First Communion Mass with beautiful music! Singing is praying twice! First Communion is Saturday, May 4th, at 11am. The Children's choir will be rehearsing on the following Thursdays:

- April 11 - 4:45-6pm
- April 18 - 4:45-6pm
- April 25 - 4:45-6pm
- May 2 - 4:45-6pm

The Children's Choir will be led by Linda Kurtz & Christy Lucarelli. To join or receive more information, please call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgober@rcdoj.org



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.)



New friends - Amazing experiments - Creative games
Super-fun snacks - Surprising adventures - Incredible music

Location: Christ the Servant Church
(church name)

Save these dates: June 10-14
(VBS dates)

Each day's fun happens from: 9:30-11:45
(daily start and end times)

For more information, call or visit: 630-910-0770
(church phone number and web address)

Register online here: Pay for registration at ctswoodridge.org (Donate button-one time donation RF Fee)
(registration web address)

For Grades K-4th
5th graders welcomed as team helpers and are free!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, April 21

8:30 AM Carmen Meyer, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek
Patrick Nimz, req. Dawson family

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's parish in Paseton,
St. Mary's parish in Park Forest and St. Anne's parish in
Oswego.

Monday, April 22

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 23

8:30 AM George R. Koca, & Helen Ganiec

Wednesday, April 24

8:30 AM St. Mary Parish, Peotone

Thursday, April 25

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, April 26

8:30 AM St. Anne Parish, Oswego

Saturday, April 27

4:45 PM Elena Jasinevicius, req. Melinda Nowak

Sunday, April 28

8:30 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Parishioners of Ascension of our Lord, Oak-
brook Terrance, St Jude Parish, New Lenox & St. Thomas
the Apostle, Naperville, req. DOJ



Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,
29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn
10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and
8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk
16:15-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/
Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn
14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30,
31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Prayers for the Sick

Barbara Bayro
Frank Bayro
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
Bill Hartig
Michael Harris
Carolyn Heinrich
Carol Hendrich
Fred Huth
Tony Iovito
John Ito
Brian Jackson
Cathy Jackson
Jessica James
Rayna Januska

Ed Jascewsky
Madeline Jascewsky
Jeanne Jordan
Paul Knight
Barb Kosiek
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 Rancho
Genevieve Ragnanese
Barb Rogers
John Rossi

Sonja Rudny
Karen Salvio
Jim Sanders
Rita Sisko
Marlene Snedeker
Jennifer Stile
Dan Szymanski
Dennis Szulc
Michelle Toro
Mary Vanderplow
Jim Verdi
Bill Wagner
Judy Ward
Nancy Warnecke
Patricia Wheeler



*Please Pray for the
Joson family who
recently lost husband
and father
Ramon*

The tabernacle light burns this week in loving memory of the deceased members of this 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

Patrick Judge, nephew of Mary & Bob Glaz

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

Please call the parish office to add a name: 630-910-0770.



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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Christine Goba, Religious Formation Director
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Nova Baranski, Bookkeeper *Ext. 102*

Mary Goba, Admin Assistant *Ext. 102*

Commission Chairpersons

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

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 21

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
Exodus World

Monday, April 22

8:30 am—daily mass
7:00 pm—PPC meeting

Tuesday, April 23

8:30 am—daily mass

Wed, April 24

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., April 25

8:30 am—daily mass
9:30 am—yoga

Friday, April 26

8:30 am—communion service

Saturday, April 27

4:45 pm—mass
R.F. Art show, narthex & hallway

Sunday, April 28

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass
11:00 am—baptism
R.F. Art show, narthex & hallway

Upcoming Events Calendar

April 22: PPC meeting 7 pm
April 27: WC meeting 9:00 am
April 27/28: Religious Formation Art Show in the narthex and hallway
April 28: Baptism
May 4: 1st Holy Communion 11:00 am
May 4/5: Project Love cards for sale
May 6: R.F. commission meeting 7:00 pm
May 6: Parish Life meeting 7:00 pm
May 4/5: Project Love, card sale
May 14: Confirmation 7:00 pm with Bishop Conlon
May 17: Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
May 18: Green Team E-collection
May 19: Special Mother Mary event 2 pm

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023- 2024

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: April 10-April 16

Sunday \$ 4,168.00
Sunday other forms \$ 3,382.00
General Funds \$ 130.00
Restricted \$ 18.75
Capital Projects \$ 373.00
Total Contributed \$ 8,071.75

Differential this period:

Needed \$ 7,700.00
Reported \$ 8,071.75
Differential this period: \$ 371.75

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

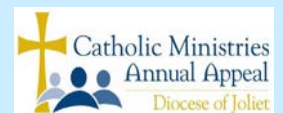
Easter Sunday \$ 160.00

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.

2024 GOAL \$42,900



PARISH AMOUNT GOAL: \$42,900 as of April 14, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$35,806
AMOUNT PAID: \$26,566
BALANCE DUE: \$9,240
DONORS THIS YEAR: 190

2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

Carbon Pricing: A Catholic Solution for Climate?

Following in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II and Benedict XVI, Pope Francis recognizes the scientific consensus that the current problematic warming trend is mostly caused by human activity. Deforestation and burning fossil fuels are major contributors. While some have wrongly turned climate change into a political issue, Pope Francis recognizes it as a social justice and a moral issue. This is because those who will suffer most from the resulting environmental damage are the poor and future generations...who are least responsible for contributing to the problem. Francis has called upon individuals, governments, and corporations to make changes to mitigate the problem. He met with top energy company executives who agreed to consider supporting government policies that put a price on carbon.

Because human suffering will be significant if we fail to adequately address the climate problem, immediate action is required. Carbon pricing could be a part of the solution.

Creation Care Corner