

# Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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



## 2024 First Communicants

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Addison Bialek  
Almaia Custodio  
Seth Felizardo  
Henry Gonzalez  
Arianna Johnson  
Meara Johnston  
Hudson Procailo  
Angelina Stepps

### 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**

The joy of the Gospel, when truly embraced, triggers in us the movement of discipleship. It provokes a real exodus from ourselves and sets us on a path to encounter the Lord and experience the fullness of life.

Please continue to check our parish website, [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://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/UC1tHeservant).



**Liturgy Spotlight . . . .**



The Scriptures of the Easter Season give us rich food for reflecting on the fruit of the Paschal Mystery in our lives—what it means to share in the life of grace that Christ won for us. Having met the Risen Christ in Easter sacraments, we mediate on Gospel images that help us understand what it means to live “in Christ”. -Pastoral Liturgy, vol. 55 pg. 22

**Woodridge Knights Raffleing Cubs Baseball Game Tickets**

The Woodridge Knights are 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.

**A Celebration of Mary, Mother of Christ the Servant**

**On Sunday, May 19 at 2PM,** we will celebrate Mary, the Mother of Christ the Servant.

Please join us at 2:00 pm as we honor Mary through Scripture, song, the Rosary, a Litany, and the Crowning of an image of Mary. We hope you will be able to join us in this special prayer to honor our Blessed Mother.



**Eucharistic Revival**



“A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jeus in the Blessed Sacrament.”

-Saint Padre Pio

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com). Type “Christ the Servant Catholic Church” into the search bar.

### **Volunteer Appreciation Night**

Friday, May 17, 2024 @ 6 pm is our annual **Volunteer Appreciation Night!**

The sign up posters are in the narthex letting us know you will be attending.



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.

### **Worship Commission – Art & Environment**

The Worship Commission is looking for someone to assist them in preparing and decorating the church. There are guidelines to help with the appropriate décor for the various liturgical seasons as well as special occasions such as First Communion and Confirmation. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office.



### **Electronics Recycling Event, Textile & Book Collection**

**Saturday, May 18th 8:30 am to 11:30 am**

The Green Team at Christ the Servant is hosting an Electronics Recycling Event and Book & Textile Collection on **Saturday, May 18 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.**

#### **What electronics will be collected?**

Almost anything with a cord attached to it! This includes computer equipment, cell phones extension cords, copy machines, hard drives, etc. Televisions are costly to recycle. The electronic recycling company eWorks charges a fee for: CRT, flat screens, projection TV's monitors.

**The recycling fees for these items:**  
**\$25 per unit for screens less than 21 inches.**  
**\$35 per unit for screens 21 inches or larger.**  
**Cash or Credit Cards are accepted.**  
**No Checks please.**

#### **What is unacceptable for this collection?**

Large appliances, air conditioners, hazardous waste or mercury containing devices like light bulbs, thermostats, batteries, not accepted.

This Green Team event we are collecting new/old clothing, sheets, household textiles. Please, no heavily soiled items. Items must be in plastic bags. In addition, we are collecting books, one box limit per car.

Remember, do not get out of your car. Space cars out. Exact change only. Do not sign the credit card receipt.

Financial Donations to support the Green Team service projects are greatly appreciated.

### **Huge Thank You!**

Dear Christ the Servant,

For my Eagle Project I have been working to make birthday bags for children in foster care. While working on my project, I have seen God at work in many ways. First, I have seen him in all the amazing foster families who take care of children in need. I have seen him in the members of my family, friends and scout troop who have volunteered many hours to build collection bins, make fleece blankets, and other tasks. I have seen him in Christ the Servant and other parishes willingness to support my project by partnering with me for my drive. I have seen him through the members of the congregation and my community who have donated to my drive. I was quickly overwhelmed with the incredible generosity and compassion from everyone with the donations and kind words.

I can't thank you enough. Because of you I am able to donate 20 jam packed bins of socks, shoes, pajamas and toys to the IL Foster Closet to create birthday bags. Your support will help make birthdays happy for many children.

Thank you again for your support!

Sincerely, Jack Stevens



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

Thanks to all the people who signed Bread for the World letters to our Congress Representatives and Senators asking for their support of bills that feed the hungry here and abroad.

The letters have been sent to their local offices.



# 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:cgoba@rcdoj.org)

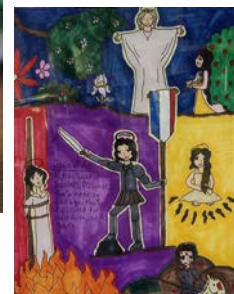
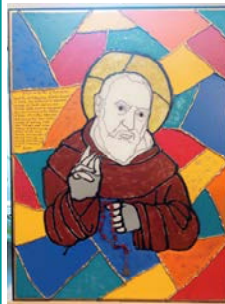


Have a great summer everyone! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share our faith and love of God with your children. It is always a great blessing to get to work with such wonderful families during the school year. Thank you, parents, for your help and all your efforts. May God bless you with a joyful summer!

## 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. Come and see what our RE students have been working on! Art is displayed down the hallway to the offices.



## Congratulations to our First Communion Class!



Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> eight of our parish children received Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers that they always remain close to Him throughout the rest of their lives.

Thank you to the catechists, Alison Candler, Barb Gutman, Gayle Herce, and Marj Wilkey, who helped prepare the children of the parish for their First Communion this weekend. Thank you also to all who assistance in the celebration, especially our Youth Choir. Everything was so beautiful!



First Communion

## 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 Retreat

All Confirmation students are asked to attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, May 11 from 9:50 - 2:00pm at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.



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

## Early Registration for Religious Formation



This year we are providing early registering for the 2024-2025 Religious Formation classes. RF registration information forms will be handed out to students at class time and can be found at [www.ctswoodridge.org](http://www.ctswoodridge.org) and the back of church.

Whatever it takes, we are committed to helping your child come to know and love God and to help your family grow in their faith.

### Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

- 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
- June 26 Youth Group (grades 8-12) 7:00-8:00pm
- June 27 Youth Group (grades 5-7) 7:00-8:00pm
- July 10 Youth Group (grades 8-12) 7:00-8:00pm
- July 11 Youth Group (grades 5-7) 7:00-8:00pm
- July 24 Youth Group (All grades) 7:00-8:00pm
- August 7 Youth Group (grades 8-12) 7:00-8:00pm
- August 8 Youth Group (grades 5-7) 7:00-8:00pm
- August 21 Youth Group (grades 8-12) 7:00-8:00pm
- August 22 Youth Group (grades 5-7) 7:00-8:00pm

### 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 sciencey-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!!)

### Thank You to our Youth Choir

Thank you to our Youth Choir who sang at First Communion this past Saturday, May 4th, at 11am. A special thank you to Linda Kurtz & Christy Lucarelli for their dedication to our youth singers!



Keep an eye out for more opportunities to sing with the Youth Choir this coming Fall!

### 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.)



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

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Sunday, May 5

8:30 AM The John Frale family, req. family  
Elsa Perez, req. family

10:00 AM Vincent Lucarelli, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek  
Thomas Peck, req. Greg & Beverly Peck

### Monday, May 6

8:30 AM St. Raphael Parish, Naperville

### Tuesday, May 7

8:30 AM People of the Parish

### Wednesday, May 8

8:30 AM St. Margaret Mary Parish, Naperville

### Thursday, May 9

8:30 AM People of the Parish

### Friday, May 10

8:30 AM St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Naperville

### Saturday, May 11

4:45 PM Pauline Dennis, req. Pat & Debi Savage  
Tommy Dongarra, req. Dongarra family  
Elena Jasinevicius, req. Melinda Nowak

### Sunday, May 12

8:30 AM Josephine Borkowski and Helen Ciolek,  
req. Ciolek family  
10:00 AM Melene Laughlin, req. Ed & Fran Flemming  
Recipients of Project Love Cards



## Readings for the week of May 5, 2024

**Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

**Wed:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-20

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20  
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

**Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

**Next Sunday: Ascension:** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

**Seventh Sunday of Easter:** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

## 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  
Carmen Pagnatiello  
Nam Pham  
Jim Phillips  
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



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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[www.ctswoodridge.org](http://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

**Fr. Bob Duda**, Pastor Ext. 101  
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**Rod Accardi**, Permanent Deacon  
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**Bryn Wildman**, Bus. Mgr (part-time) Ext. 102  
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**Christine Goba**, Religious Formation Director  
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**Janet Alikpala**, Music Director  
[janet@ctswoodridge.org](mailto:janet@ctswoodridge.org) Ext. 104

**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

### Sun, May 5- Project Love Card Sales

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

### Monday, May 6

8:30 am—daily mass

### Tuesday, May 7

8:30 am—daily mass  
11:30 am—yoga  
12:30 pm—mahjong

### Wed, May 8

8:30 am—daily mass

### Thurs., May 9

8:30 am—daily mass  
9:30 am—yoga

### Friday, May 10

8:30 am—communion service

### Saturday, May 11

Confirmation Retreat  
4:45 pm—mass  
**Sunday, May 12**

8:30 am—mass  
10:00 am—mass

### Upcoming Events Calendar

**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 14:** Confirmation 7:00 pm with Bishop Conlon

**May 17:** Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

**May 18:** Green Team E-collection 8:30 am

**May 18** Worship Commission meeting

**May 19:** Honoring Mary, Mother of Christ the Servant, and May Crowning 2 pm

**May 20:** P&SJ meeting 7 pm

**May 26:** Holy Trinity Sunday

**May 27:** Memorial Day, no morning mass and parish offices are closed.

## Parish Giving

### NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023- 2024

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

### CONTRIBUTIONS: April 24-April 30

Sunday \$ 4,038.00  
Other Donations \$ 2,298.00  
General Funds \$ 230.00  
Restricted \$ 750.00  
Capital Projects \$ 45.00  
Total Contributed \$ 7,361.00

### Differential this period:

Needed: \$ 7,700.00  
Reported Income \$ 7,361.00  
Difference this period \$ 339.00

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

### OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Easter Sunday \$ 405.00

Registered Households—784

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

**Did you know...**To donate stocks, visit [www.dioceseofjoliet.org](http://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](http://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.

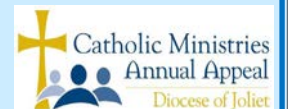
## Creation Care Corner

### Calculate your carbon footprint.

Popes Francis, Benedict XVI and John Paul II have all spoken of the need to address climate change. It's influenced by the amount of heat trapping CO2 and other greenhouse gases (GHGs) in the atmosphere. Small atmospheric GHG % increases can have a significant impact on Earth's temperature rise. Every day, across everything we do and buy, we contribute to GHG emissions. Calculators can help us better understand how much carbon is produced by different activities. Then, if you decide to reduce your emissions, you'll know where you can generate the biggest impact. Start with this easy-to-use calculator: <https://www3.epa.gov/carbon-footprint-calculator/> (This EPA calculator does not include air travel, which often is a major contributor to household emissions, but can still help you ID great savings opportunities).



2024  
GOAL  
\$42,900



PARISH AMOUNT GOAL:  
\$42,900 as of April 28, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$36,076  
AMOUNT PAID: \$28,811  
BALANCE DUE: \$8,265  
DONORS THIS YEAR: 197  
2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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