Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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





Sunday, May 12, 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.

Encountering people, sharing a gaze and our stories: this is the closeness of Jesus that we are called to live. An encounter can change a life. The Gospel is filled with these encounters with Jesus that uplift and heal Francis' Tweet for the Week

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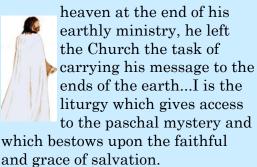
Please continue to check our parish website, www.ctswoodridge.org, and facebook for up to date information about what we are able to offer to help keep our community connected.

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>Feast of the Ascension</u> Liturgy Spotlight

When the Lord ascended into



Woodridge Knights Raffling Cubs Baseball Game Tickets

The Woodridge Knights are selling raffle

-Pastoral liturgy, vol 55 pp 27-28



tickets to win Cubs baseball game tickets. Sales will continue in the narthex May 18/19th. The drawing for the raffles will occur at the Knights meeting on May 22nd.

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.

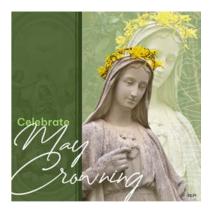
Tickets are \$5 for one or \$10 for 3 raffles.

The 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



You come to me and unite Yourself intimately to me under the form of nourishment. Your Blood now runs in mine, Your Soul, Incarnate God, compenetrates mine, giving courage and support. What miracles! Who would have ever imagined such!

-Saint Maximillian Kolbe

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com. Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar. The Ascension of the Lord Page 3

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. Please write in your name and number 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.

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 fees 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.

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.



The flowers placed at the Blessed Mother Mary statue in loving memory

Pauline Dennis and Uda Kenny

Pat and Debi Lavage





Thank You Exodus World Donations

Thank you to all those who contributed to the Exodus Welcome to America Pack. If you are interested in helping to set up an apartment for refugees, please email Karen at kajackson15@gmail.com with your contact information.

We will have to wait until Exodus notifies us that a family is ready to move into their home before we can go set up the apartment.



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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 instruc-

tion 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



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!

Congratulations to our First Communion Class!



Saturday, May 4th 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 last weekend. Thank you also to all who assisted in the celebration, especially our Youth Choir. Everything was so beautiful!

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.

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 can be found at

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.

This Summer, Youth Group is back!



Children grades 5-12 are invited to join Religious Formation every other week this Summer for a different activity intended to illustrate a concept from Sacred Scripture and Tradition.

Grades 8-12 will meet from 7:00-8:00 pm every other Wednesday and grades 5-7 will meet from 7:00-8:00 pm every other Thursday. The first meeting will be June 26/27 and run until August 21/22. Topics such as St. Paul's Shipwreck, the life of St. Nicholas, the Parables of Jesus, and Jesus' "L AM" statements will be discussed and reinforced with an aligning activity. Activities include Luau night with bonfire, Christmas in July with snow, movie night, a slime color war with slip-n-slide, and murder mystery night.

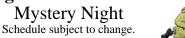
Schedule:



June 26/27 - Luau Night July 10/11 - Christmas in July July 24 - Movie Night

(All grades meet on Wednesday for movie night at 7:30pm)

August 7/8 - Slime Color War August 21/22 - Murder Mystery Night





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Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

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

September 9, 10, 11 RF Family Open House

September 16, 17, 18 First Day Regular RF of Classes



Christ the Servant Church and Religious

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)

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.)



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!!)



This exciting, first-of-its-kind vouth 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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 12—Mother's Day

8:30 AM Josephine Borkowski and Helen Ciolek, req. Ciolek family

10:00 AM Melene Laughlin, req. Ed & Fran Fleming Recipients of Project Love Cards

Monday, May 13

8:30 AM All men and women religious in the Diocese of Joliet, req. The Dciocese of Joliet

Tuesday, May 14

8:30 AM Holy Souls that are near to Heaven & Poor Souls in Purgatory, req. Zenaida Cruz
Sts. Peter and Paul, Naperville

Wednesday, May 15

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, May 16

8:30 AM Almaia Custodio, Louisse, Matteo, Forrest, & Rosalina, req. Zenaida Cruz Holy Spirit Parish, Naperville

Friday, May 17

8:30 AM Immaculate Conception Parish, Morris

Saturday, May 18

4:45 PM Ken Sloup, req. Bill & Donna Ciolek Elena Jasinevicius, req. Melinda Nowak

Sunday, May 19—Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM James Fleming, req.
Ed & Fran Fleming
Rino La Pagilia, req.
La Pagilia family
10:00 AM People of the Parish



Readings for the week of May 12, 2024

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 Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33 Tues.: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17 Wed: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b -19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19 Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Nest Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/ Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

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 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 Pegnatiello Nam Pham Jim Phillips Janice Proskey **Bob Pluta** Wm. (Bill) Rausch Lolit Ranchero 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 those families and friends who have recently lost a loved one.

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

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

Dan Ward, nephew of Sister Rosemary Ward

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Office Hours & Staff

8700 Havens Drive Woodridge, Illinois 60517

Phone: (630) 910-0770 Fax: (630) 910-6060 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 Daysconsult bulletin or call	

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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Calendar of Events

Sun, May 12—Ascension

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

Monday, May 13

8:30 am—daily mass

Tuesday, May 14

8:30 am—daily mass

11:30 am-yoga

7:00 pm— Confirmation

Wed, May 15

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., May 16

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—yoga

Friday, May 17

8:30 am—communion service

7:00 pm-Volunteer Appreciation

Saturday, May 18

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, May 19-Pentecost

8:30 am-mass

10:00 am—mass

2:00 pm—Mary, Mother of CTS

Upcoming Events Calendar

May 13: Parish Life commission 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 18: Catholic Communication Campaign

May 19: Honoring Mary, Mother of Christ

the Servant, and May Crowning 2 pm

May 20: PPC meeting 7 pm

May 26: Holy Trinity Sunday

May 27: Memorial Day, no morning mass

and parish offices are closed.

June 2: Corpus Christi procession 10 am

mass.

Creation Care Corner

Protect Pollinators.

Bees, butterflies, and other key

pollinators are necessary for most of our major food crops. Honey bees pollinate 80 percent of all flowering plants alone, including more than 130 types of fruits and vegetables. According to Farmers.gov, the ecological service provided by pollinators is valued at \$200 billion each year.

Unfortunately, bee populations have dropped alarmingly across North America, as have the populations of many other pollinator species. They are in serious decline due to exposure to parasites, pesticides, disease, habitat loss and other environmental contaminants.

If we all dedicate just a small area to protecting habitats for pollinators, using native plants and sustainable gardening practices, we can help safeguard our common home. Limit pesticide use and consider following these tips to start your own pollinator garden at:

www.fws.gov/story/how-build-pollinator-garden

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2023-2024

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: April 24-April 30

\$ 4,719.00 Sunday Other Donations \$ 3,870.00 \$ General Funds 57.75 Restricted 390.00 Capital Projects 655.00 **Total Contributed** 9,691.00

Differential this period:

Needed: 7,700.00 \$ 9,691.75 Reported Income Difference this period \$ 1,991.75

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Easter Sunday 25.00

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 financial advisor with your information.

2024 **GOAL** \$42,900



PARISH AMOUNT GOAL: \$42,900 as of April 5, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$37,636 **AMOUNT PAID: \$29,381** BALANCE DUE: \$8,255 **DONORS THIS YEAR: 203** 2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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