

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.” - Jn 6:32

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Sunday, August 4, 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

Weekly Confession

Saturday 4:00 to
4:30 pm

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

Life is always worth living, and there is always hope for the future, even when everything seems to be over. The fact that each of us exists is a unique gift for both ourselves and for others. God never abandons us - He knows how to listen, rejoice, and weep with 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/UC1t1t1t1t1t1t1t1t1t1t1t).



All Parish Sessions—Sharing Your Restructuring Thoughts

The firm, Catholic Leadership Institute will facilitate two on-site church meeting in the church on the following dates

- 1. **Monday, September 30, 7pm to 9 pm**
- 2. **Monday, November 4, 7pm to 9 pm**

The Catholic Leadership Institute is the firm hired by the Diocese to manage Phase 3 Restructuring of the 19 parishes.

Let's make it a high number of attendees!

Liturgy Spotlight . . .

Every time we come to the Eucharistic Fest we recommit ourselves to our Baptismal promises.

We recommit ourselves to all the people God loves.

We recommit ourselves to Jesus and his kingdom.



(I Like Being in Parish Ministry, Assembly p.26)

Eucharistic Revival



By adoring and partaking of his beauty, his goodness and his purity in this Divine Sacrament, you will become all beautiful, good and pure.

-Saint Frances de Sales

THE PURPOSE OF THE TRANSFIGURATION



Immediately following Peter's confession that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, we are given the account of the Transfiguration in which Christ's humanity is transformed and glorified before the apostles Peter, James, and John.

The main purpose of revealing His glory to these men was to strengthen their faith, the faith just confessed by Peter.

For Christ was about to go down to Jerusalem, suffer, and die. Indeed, such a humiliating death is certainly not the kind of thing that a devout Jew of this time would think befitting of a king, let alone the King of Kings, God Himself. Therefore, in order to strengthen them, Christ revealed to them His divine glory in His human body. Having seen His glory, it would be difficult for the apostles to doubt that Christ's suffering and death was not something that He had fully chosen to endure. It would have been obvious to them that Christ had the power to save Himself if He had chosen to do so, therefore Christ must have had a reason for His passion and everything would be okay in the end. The Transfiguration then was meant to strengthen the faith of the apostles that was about to be tested during the passion.

Likewise, the Transfiguration served as a foretaste of the glory of the Resurrection. Not only the Resurrection of Christ but also of the final resurrection when all of the justified will be reunited with their bodies at the end of time. As St. Leo the Great said in regards to the Transfiguration, "with no less foresight, the foundation was laid of the Holy Church's hope, that the whole body of Christ might realize the character of the change which it would have to receive, and that the members might promise themselves a share in that honour which had already shone forth in their Head" (Sermon 51).

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Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar.



Woodridge School District 68 Thanks Christ the Servant Parish



Thanks to all who donated the following school supplies for the Woodridge school children.

206 Spirals	263 Folders	270 Pencils	108 Pens
1 Pencil case	135 Packs of paper	52 Thin Markers	75 Colored Pencils
8 Backpacks	150 Highlighters	7 Scissors	81 Boxes of Crayons
42 Glue Sticks	28 Rulers	7 Pencil Sharpeners	

Mark Your Calendar! Live Play at CTS, Friday, Nov. 8.
Written by Vicki Quade, co-creator of the hit comedy,
Are You Smarter Than Your 8th Grade Nun?
History, mathematics, spelling! How much do you really
remember? Find out at the interactive, comedy game show,
Are You Smarter Than Your 8th Grade Nun?

Church News.

Thursday, August 15th, **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** A Holy Day of Obligation, Masses 8:30 am and 7:00 pm.

Saturday, August 17 & Sunday, August 18
Blessing of the Senior Members of the Parish.

Saturday, August 24 & Sunday, August 25
Blessing the Eucharistic Ministers

Monday, August 26th, Peace and Social Justice will be hosting a special speaker in the Church. Susan Hurley will be talking about a **Living Wage**. Additional information will be provided in the next few weeks so save the date!

Saturday, August 31 & Sunday, Sept 1
Blessing Teachers and Students

Saturday, Sept. 14 & Sunday, Sept. 15
Blessing Catechist

Crosstown Classic Raffle Winner & Thanks

The Woodridge Knights of Columbus Council #5918 would like to thank Fr. Bob, the CTS Staff, and our **generous** Parishioners for supporting us in our first Cubs/Sox Crosstown Classic Raffle. We are happy to announce that the winner is **Tom Marciani**, Deacon at St. Scholastica Parish. We would also like to thank our generous donor, Tim Cibulka (CTS Parishioner) and Legacy Professionals LLP.

Thanks again for all of your support. We were able to build up our Fundraising fund and now we are in a great position to support both parishes, the Woodridge Community and Knight's Charities throughout the State of Illinois. God Bless!

The Shrine of Christ's Passion Pilgrimage by bus to St. John, Indiana

Save the date, Saturday
October 5th (full day)
Parish pilgrimage to
The Shrine of Christ's Passion

Details about the pilgrimage will be in upcoming bulletins.



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

This Summer, Youth Group is back!



Children going into **grades 5-7** and **grades 8-12** 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, Bl. Carlo Acutis, St. Don Bosco, and St. Thomas Aquinas 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:



August 8

St. John Bosco—Slime Color War

August 21/22

St. Thomas Aquinas—Murder Mystery Night

Schedule subject to change.



Hurry and Register!! Tuition Increases Sept. 25!

Early Registration for Religious Formation



This year we are providing early registering for the 2024-2025 Religious Formation classes and at a discount! As low as \$21.88 a month!

RF registration information forms can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org and the back of church.

Tuition for students registered for classes

July 2 – September 24	Tuition \$175
September 25 – October 24	Tuition \$190
October 25 – February	Tuition \$200

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.

2024-2025 Religious Formation Elementary Class Days and Times

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

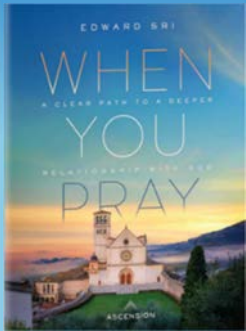
(Additional sessions may be added or canceled as needed)

You may pick one of the following class sessions to attend. Confirmation & Communion remote students are required to be in person for some activities for the Sacrament preparation.

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

ADULT

Parish Enrichment Series - Mondays



Monday, July 29 at 7:00-8:15 pm
– Trust and Surrender

Monday, August 12 at 7:00-8:15 pm
– Meeting God in the Valley

Monday, August 26 7:00-8:15 pm
– In the World, Not of the World

Monday, TBA at 7:00-8:15 pm
– Radiating Christ

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

Participants are invited to meet every week for a 7-week video study program, to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. The workbook is \$25 for participants who wish to purchase a book to follow along but it is not necessary to have a book.

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.

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

Registration for 2023-2024 July 1-September 24
(Tuition \$175)

August 8 Youth Group (All Grades) 7:00-8:00pm

August 12 Adult Study: Meeting God in the valley
7:00-8:15pm

August 21 Youth Group (grades 8-12) 7:00-8:00pm

August 22 Youth Group (grades 5-7) 7:00-8:00pm

August 26 Adult Study: In the World, Not of the World
7:00-8:15pm

September 9, 10, 11 RF Family Open House

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

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

Sunday, August 4

8:30 AM The John Frale family, req. family
 Jeanie Rendak, req. Gierut & Rendak families
 10:00 AM Ronald Wasielewski, req. Pat & Debi Savage

Monday, August 5

8:30 AM St. John the Baptist, Joliet

Tuesday, August 6

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 7

8:30 AM St. Francis Xavier, Joliet

Thursday, August 8

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday, August 9

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, August 10

4:45 PM Intentions of Our Blessed Mother, r. Pat Savage
 Richard (Dick) DuSatko, req. family
 Hamid Josue Reyes Arzate, r. Cleto Reyes family

Sunday, August 11

8:30 AM Carmen Meyer, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek
 Bob Schiller, req. Fran & Ed Fleming
 10:00 AM Thomas Peck, req. Greg & Beverly Peck



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



Prayers for the Sick

Bill Amplo	Madeline Jascewsky	Sonja Rudny
Barbara Bayro	Rich Johnson	Karen Salvio
Frank Bayro	Roy Kastner III	Jim Sanders
Pam Baxter	Paul Knight	Rita Sisko
Sharon Bhaskar	Barb Kosiek	Marlene Snedeker
Jim Brabec	Mike Leach	Bill Snellenburger
Renee Brennan	Robert Losik	Jennifer Stile
Pat Chang	Marta Lucarelli	Dan Szymanski
Vic Cordes	Cathy Magee	Dennis Szulc
Michael Durkovic Sr	Joyce Maples	Michelle Toro
Rudy Durkovic	Jan May	Mary Vanderplow
Ray DiGrazia	Donna Mays	Jim Verdi
Fr. Bob Duda	Arturo Mendez	Bill Wagner
Marge Felix	Robert Mizek	Judy Ward
John M. Foresman	Anna Moneghini	Nancy Warnecke
Marty Foy	Chuck Neal	Patricia Wheeler
Mary Chap-Grigar	Carmen Pegnatello	
Bill Hartig	Nam Pham	
Michael Harris	Jim Phillips	
Carolyn Heinrich	Janice Proskey	
Carol Hendrich	Bob Pluta	
Fred Huth	Parker Ramirez	
Brian Jackson	Wm. (Bill) Rausch	
Cathy Jackson	Lolit Rancho	
Jessica James	Genevieve Ragnanese	
Rayna Januska	Barb Rogers	
Ed Jascewsky	John Rossi	



WITH HEARTFELT
SYMPATHY

“Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen”

Prayers for the *Jeanne Jordan* family.

Readings for the week of August 4, 2024

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/ Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Wed.: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

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
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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60517
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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

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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, August 4

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

Monday, August 5

8:30 am—communion
7:00 pm—R.F. commission

Tuesday, August 6

8:30 am—communion
12:30 am--mah jong

Wed, August 7

8:30 am—communion service
7:00 pm—youth group (grades 8-12)

Thurs., August 8

8:30 am—daily Mass
9:30 am—yoga
7:00 pm—youth group (grades 5-7)

Friday, August 9

8:30 am—Communion service

Saturday, August 10

4:45 pm—Mass

Sunday, August 11—Anniversary of Fr. Frank Vitus Death

8:30 am—Mass
10:00 am—Mass



Upcoming Events Calendar

- Aug 4: Baptism 11:00 am
- Aug 5: RF commission meeting 7 pm
- Aug 6: Mah Jong 12:30 pm
- Aug 7: Youth Group 7:00 pm
Grades 8-12
- Aug 8: Yoga 9:30 am
- Aug 8: Youth Group 7:00 pm
Grades 5-7
- Aug 12: PLC meeting 7:00 pm
- Aug 15: Assumption of Mary Holy Day of Obligation. Masses 8:30 am and 7:00 pm
- Aug 18: Baptism 11:00 am
- Aug 19: P&SJ meeting 7:00 pm
- Aug 19: Admin/Finance meeting 7:00 pm

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY:2024–2025

Parish Expenses \$ 8,700.00
Total Needed \$ 8,700.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: July 24—July 30

Sunday \$ 3,750.00
Other Donations \$ 1,765.00
General Funds \$ 74.00
Restricted \$ 458.64
Capital Projects \$ 10.00
Total: \$ 6,057.64

Differential this period:

Needed: \$ 8,700.00
Reported Income \$ 6,057.64
Difference this period (-) \$ 2,642.36

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary \$ 30.00

Registered Households—788

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.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION

Dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW)

Leftover household products that can catch fire, react, or explode under certain circumstances, or that are corrosive or toxic are considered HHWs. Products such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides can contain hazardous ingredients and require special care when you dispose of them. Do not dispose of HHWs to landfills, or pour into drains or ditches. Save toxic chemicals and electronic materials for periodic collections. Check with your city, township or county for upcoming HHW collection events, and with your state EPA office for permanent HHW drop site locations. Unused medications can also have harmful effects, including polluting waterways and the environment if they are flushed or thrown in the trash. Some local police stations and large retail pharmacies (Meijer) take back unused meds. Don't forget that electronics are also hazardous waste.

For more info: www.epa.gov/hw/household-hazardous-waste-hhw

"The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth."
—Pope Francis

Creation Care Corner

2024
GOAL
\$42,900



PARISH AMOUNT GOAL:
42,900 as of July 21, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$42,400
AMOUNT PAID: \$38,105
BALANCE DUE: \$4,295
DONORS THIS YEAR: 222
2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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