Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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





32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

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November 10, 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 9:00 am in the Eucharistic Chapel.



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.

<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.

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.

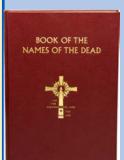
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"Carry me in your heart, Jesus." "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Lk23:42). To remember means "to carry in one's heart." That man, who was crucified alongside Jesus, transformed his dire pain into a prayer, "Carry me in your heart, Jesus." 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 parish 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.

Book of the Dead



The Book of the Dead is on the podium outside the Eucharistic Chapel during the month of November.

All parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in the book.

Liturgy Spotlight

The crucified and risen Christ is our sun

that does not go down, our light that never fades. No matter what our time or season,



Christ is living and present. Christian liturgy is held here and now as we are gathered before God on holy ground.

Ministry Liturgy 12 (Spring 2003))

Eucharistic Revival



"Behold each day he humbles himself as when he came from the royal throne into the Virgin's womb; each day he himself comes to us, appearing humbly; each day he came down from the bosom of the Father upon the altar in the heads of a priest.

-Saint Francis of Assisi

Seminarian Education Endowment



This weekend, our parish is taking up a second collection for Seminarian Education. Your gifts will support the formation of seminarians preparing to serve as our parish priests.

The Diocese of Joliet currently has been blessed with 27 men discerning vocations to the priesthood through seminary formation. Gifts to the second collection are being invested in an endowed fund to ensure the diocese can balance the cost of seminarian education — \$52,350 a seminarian per year — with other ministries essential to the Church's mission.

Please show your gratitude for those who have answered the Lord's call and prayerfully reflect on how you can best help support their formation with a gift. You may place your completed second collection envelope in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.

LITURGY SPOTLIGHT

It is recommended that throughout the year, those who serve in the various Liturgical Ministries receive Blessings. Rightly so!! These women and men are showing the face of Christian hospitality as we come together to pray (Host teams); they prepare the altar for our Eucharistic feast and make sure that all and everyone is ready for our Banquet; (Mass Coordinators); they assist our celebrant who leads us in prayer; (Ministers of the Altar); they share with us the Body and Blood of the Lord (Eucharistic Ministers); they proclaim the Word of God in spoken word (Reader) and song (Music Minister).

There are different Sundays throughout the year when these Ministers are recognized and blessed by all of us, and here are the Sundays in 2025 when these Blessings will take place: Jan 26th - Word of God Sunday (Readers); June 22nd - Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Eucharistic Ministers); a Saturday and Sunday in the Harvest Season for all other Liturgical Ministers

The Lord calls all of us to gather around the altar to pray as one family. The Lord also calls some to serve at this Holy Banquet. Our Blessings upon them show how grateful we are that they live out the charism of our parish - that of the Servant.

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



Ladies 55 and Over Christmas Luncheon

Date: Tuesday December 10, 2024 **Time:** 1:00 pm

Clara's Restaurant 6550 Illinois Rt. 53 Woodridge Family Style meal—Private Room



Please RSVP by December 31st, Payment \$40.00 due by December 5th.

Please Contact Rita Sisko: 708-721-1259 or Andie Wolfe: 630-926-7444

Thank You "Cash for Food" Donors!

Our latest "Cash for Food" Drive raised \$1070.00 in cash donations. Grocery and paper products drop-off donations were an impressive 304 pounds. The cash donations purchased some much-needed items requested by the food pantries. Cases of tuna, spam, ravioli, chili, and mac & cheese were distributed to the West Suburban Food Pantry, Downers Grove Area FISH Food Pantry.





Thanksgiving Sharing meal sign-up, Nov. 16-17. Knights Wine Basket raffle. Nov. 23/24

Green Team Recycling Event, Saturday Nov. 16.

Thanksgiving meal drop-off at the Church:

Nov. 23-Non-perishable, Nov/24-Turkeys, by 12:30pm

Thanksgiving Day, Mass 10:00 am

Advent/Christmas Church decorating, please come help us set-up, Fri. Nov. 29.

Christmas Sharing meal sign-up, Nov. 30 & Dec 1. 1st Sunday of Advent, December 1.

Craft Show Dec 7-8: before/after Masses

Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Dec 8, Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Ladies Christmas Luncheon, Dec 10, Clara's 1 pm RF Christmas Event-Ancient Days, Live Nativity, Tuesday evening, December 17.

Reconciliation, Wednesday, Dec. 18, 7:00 pm Church Nativity Scene set-up, please come help us set-up, Monday, December 23, 9:00 am.

THANKSGIVING SHARING

Annually, Christ the Servant invites parishioners to help make Thanksgiving a special time for our neighbors in need. The West Suburban Community Panty supplies us with a list of 30 families needing a Thanksgiving dinner. Parishioners have an opportunity to sign up to provide either a turkey or the rest of the meal (the "fixings"). Signups will take place the weekend of

Nov. 9/10 and Nov. 16/17. NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ONLY

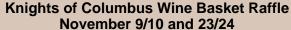
may be dropped off Saturday, Nov. 23 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

TURKEYS & FIXINGS may be dropped off Sunday, Nov. 24, from

8:00 to 10:30 am.

The families will be picking up their meals at the West Suburban Community Pantry between 11 am and 12:30 pm.

Thank you in advance for helping make our neighbors in need have a Happy Thanksgiving.



The Knights of Columbus Council #5918 has started our



first ever Wine Basket raffle. Tickets are \$5 for one or 3 tickets for \$10. We have multiple baskets available, one containing all white wine and one red wine. Even if wine is not your thing, this makes a great Christmas gift for that someone special.

Drawing is December 18th at our monthly meeting. We will be selling raffle tickets before and after all masses the weekends of November 9th-10th and 23rd-24th at Christ the Servant Church. If you're interested and will not be at the respective masses, please text or call Joe Testolin at 630-901-5952. Take care and keep God in your hearts!

West Suburban Community Pantry Thank You Note

Your in-kind donation of 59 pounds of non-perishable food and produce received in September, is helping West Suburban Community Pantry connect many people with food and hope. Thanks for your continued generosity.

Mary Hutchinson, Board Chair



Electronic Recycling—Saturday, Nov. 16th From 8:30 am to 11:30 am



The Green Team at Christ the Servant is sponsoring an Electronics Recycling Event. Bring your old or broken electronics to the church parking lot on Sat., Nov. 16, from 8:30 to 11:30. Textiles and gently used winter apparel

will also be collected.

See the green sign on the church entrance door for more information. Page 4 November 10, 2024

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 Classes

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

Classes available on either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or eLearning For info call 630-910-0770

Amazing things happen here!



Thank You!

Thank you to all of the parents and children who attended the First Reconciliation "Forgiveness Day" Retreat. Please keep our children in your prayers as they prepare to receive this life-giving sacrament!



You can still register after the start of classes, but hurry!

October 25 – February

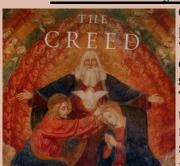
Tuition \$200

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.

Adult Study: The Creed



Christ the Servant will be providing an adult study "the Creed" on Monday evenings at 7:00pm starting November 11th. There is no cost to join the study and participants may come to as many sessions as they are able attend. The Creed, a new

film series blending both documentary footage and dynamic talks, Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed, a fourth-century statement of faith that has profoundly influenced both Eastern and Western spirituality, theology, and liturgy.

Explore the meaning of "belief" and whether it contradicts reason; the creative love of God the Father; the shocking mystery of his Son's Incarnation and the great drama of his Crucifixion and Resurrection; the life-giving power of the Spiritus Sanctus, or "Holy Breath," shared between them; and the mystical reality of the Church, which calls all of humanity out of the world of sin to receive forgiveness and participate in Christ's divinity—not only in the next world but here and now.

The Creed will help you rediscover the great intellectual and spiritual depths of Christian doctrine and reclaim the unity, clarity, and conviction of the Christian faith.

Join us for Youth Group!

Children grades 5-12 are invited to join Religious Formation for a Youth Group night of fun on Friday, November 18th from 6:30-7:45 PM. We look forward to seeing you!



Confirmation Presentation: "Scientific Evidence of God's Existence"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday,



December 4 at the 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation by Deacon Anthony Clishem on Scientific Evidence of God's Existence. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.

Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

November 10 (Sunday) 2:00-3:30 "Grand Event"

November 11 7:00-8:15 PM Adult Study on the Creed

November 11/12/13 Regular classes

November 15 (Friday) Youth Group Activity

November 18 7:00-8:15 PM Adult Study on the

November 18/19/20 Regular classes

November 21 7:00-8:15 PM Adult Study on Luke

November 25 7:00-8:15 PM Adult Study on the Creed

November 25/26/27 No RF classes—Thanksgiving

The Grand Event

On Sunday, November 10, 2:00-3:30 pm



Religious Formation students will be hosting a celebration honoring their grandparents and grand-friends at Christ the Servant Church. Each class will participate by work together to provide an food, entertainment, decorations or set up and clean up for an afternoon of sharing and refreshments for their grandparents, grand-friends and grandneighbors. Religious Formation students are encouraged to invite their grandparents and grand-friends to this Sunday RF event. Student will join their grandparents for refreshments and an afternoon of sharing at Christ the Servant Church.

Religious Education Sponsorship – Faith **Forward**



No child should be denied being taught about God just because their parents cannot afford to send their children. To help our parents pay for Religious Education we are starting a Religious Education Sponsorship program. We invite you to become part of the Faith Forward: Christ the Servant Religious Education's Sponsorship Program. By sponsoring the faith formation of a child by passing your faith forward — you help to lay the foundation and shape the future of both our children and the whole of our Catholic community.

There are several ways to financially assist in passing your faith forward:

A \$175.00 donation will pay for one year of religious education tuition

\$100.00 will pay for the Sacrament fee of a child who cannot afford the fees for receiving a Sacrament

\$25.00 will purchase a child's textbook for the year.

Other sponsorships such as retreat expenses, high school programs, speaker engagements, classroom audio/video equipment are also available.

New Adult Study starting Thursday, Nov. 21st Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled



Please join us for this 8-part study and video series on the Gospel of Luke. We will meet every other Thursday at 7:00-8:15 PM starting Nov. 21st

The Gospel of Luke takes you on a journey that begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and culminates in Jesus' ascension into heaven. On the road to Emmaus, a story unique to the Gospel of Luke, Jesus gave us the greatest Bible study of all time, laying out his fulfillment of the Old Testament.

In this 8-part study, Jeff Cavins and Dr. Jeffrey Morrow will show you the beautiful Biblical roots for Mary, the Rosary, and the Mass that are found in Luke, strengthening your prayer life like never before.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, November 10

8:30 AM Henry Barkowski, req. Ciolek family 10:00 AM Rosemary Valenti, req. John Frale The Slavik family, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek

Monday, November 11

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 12

8:30 AM George R. Koca, req. Karen L. Welch Notre Dame Parish, Claredon Hills

Wednesday, November 13

8:30 AM St. Mary & Joseph Parish, Chebanse

Thursday, November 14

8:30 AM Phyllis & Chuck, req. Pat Sweatt

Friday, November 15

8:30 AM St. Ann Parish, Channahon

Saturday, November 16

4:45 PM Robert W. Deron, req. Barry J. Deron Almaia Custodio, Louisse, Matteo, Forrest, Rosalina, Lianna, & Elcid Cruz, req. Zenaida Cruz

Sunday, November 17

8:30 AM Jean Rendak, req. Gierut & Rendak families 10:00 AM For Christ the Servant Parish



Readings for the week of November 10, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/

Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6 **Tuesday**: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and

29/Lk 17:7-10

Wed: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19 **Thur**: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25 **Fri**: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37 **Saturday:** 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Prayers for the Sick

Bill Amplo Mary Bastuga Barbara Bayro Frank Bayro Pam Baxter Sharon Bhaskar Jim Brabec Renee Brennan **Douglas Bruno** Pat Chang Vic Cordes Michael Durkovic Sr Rudy Durkovic Rav DiGrazia Fr. Bob Duda Marge Felix Cheryl Feltz John M. Foresman Marty Foy Mary Chap-Grigar Bill Hartig Michael Harris Carolyn Heinrich Carol Hendrich Fred Huth Brian Jackson Cathy Jackson

Jessica James Rayna Januska Ed Jascewsky Madeline Jascewsky Rich Johnson Roy Kastner III Paul Knight Ann Kopp Barb Kosiek Mike Leach Robert Losik Marta Lucarelli Cathy Magee Joyce Maples Jan May Donna Mays Arturo Mendez Robert Mizek Anna Moneghini Laura Murphy Chuck Neal Carmen Pegnatiello Nam Pham Alie Phillips Jim Phillips Janice Proskey **Bob Pluta**

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





"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"

Gerald Swiatek

We pray for those who Serve Our Country

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 Jim Kikilas, godson of Pat & Debi Savage

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Andrew McGraw, nephew of Ann & Mike Andreshak **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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8:30 AM-4:30 PM

www.ctswoodridge.org

Office Hours Monday—Thursday

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Friday	8	:30 AM-	-1:30 PM
Mass Schedule			
Monday thre	ough Thursday		8:30 AM
Friday Comr	nunion Service		8:30 AM
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.			
Saturday			4:45 PM
Sunday	8:3	30 and 1	0:00 AM

Holy Days....consult bulletin or call **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

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Calendar of Events

Sun, November 10—10,000 Villages

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am—mass

2-3:30 pm-RF grand event

Monday, November 11

8:30 am—daily mass

7:00 pm—Adult study "Creed"

Tuesday, November 12

8:30 am—daily mass

Wed, November 13

8:30 am—daily mass

Thurs., November 14

8:30 am—daily mass

9:30 am—yoga

4:45 & 6:30 choir practice

7:00 pm Adult Sacrament prep

Friday, November 15

8:30 am— communion service

7:00 pm—youth group

Saturday, November 16

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, November 17

8:30 am—mass

10:00 am-mass

Thanksgiving Sign-up Saturday & Sunday

Upcoming Events Calendar

Nov 11: RF commission meeting

Nov 14: yoga 9:30 am

Nov 14: Youth & adult choir practice

Nov 15: Youth group

Nov 16: Green Team E-Collection

Nov 16: Thanksgiving Sharing sign-up

Nov 17: Human Development collection

Nov 17: Thanksgiving Sharing sign-up

Nov 18: Adult Study "Creed" 7:00 pm

Nov 18: P&SJ meeting 7:00 pm

Nov 19: Mahjong

Nov 21: yoga 9:30 am

Nov 21: Youth & adult choir practice

Nov 23: Thanksgiving food drop-off

Wintertime Tips to Save Energy, Money and Reduce Harmful Carbon Pollution

Use a programmable thermostat to reduce heat when you are away from home or asleep. Seal and weatherstrip: you could improve the heating system efficiency by as much as 20%. Keep your furnace air filters clean. At minimum, change the filter every three months. Have HVAC equipment tuned-up annually.

Turn off kitchen, bath, and other exhaust fans within 20 minutes after use.

Close your fireplace damper when not in use.

Draperies and shades: Keep south-facing window shades open during the day & closed at night.

Select energy-efficient products when you buy new heating equipment. Look for Energy Star certification.

Creation Care Corner

Make sure vents/registers aren't blocked or covered.

More energy saving tips at: www.energy.gov/energysaver/weatherize

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY:2024-2025

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: Oct 30 -Nov 5

\$ 5,519.00 Sunday Other Donations \$ 5,710.00 General Funds \$ 578.00 455.00 Restricted \$ 1,646.00 Capital Projects All Saints holy day \$1,158.00 Total: \$15,066.00

Differential this period:

Needed: \$ 8,700.00 Reported Income \$ 15,066.00 Difference this period (+) **\$ 6,366.00**

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

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Cash for Food \$ 20.00

Active Members 1309

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 October 20, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$44,169 AMOUNT PAID: \$42,594 BALANCE DUE: \$1,575 DONORS THIS YEAR: 226 2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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