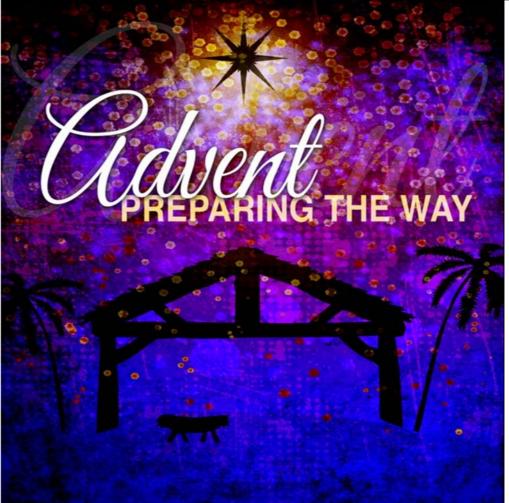
Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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



December 1, 2024

<u>Mass Schedule</u> 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

Solemnity of Immaculate Conception, Not a holy day of obligation 2024.

<u>Weekly Confession</u> Saturday 4:00 to 4:30pm

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.

<u>RECONCILIATION</u>: Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or by appointment with Fr. Bob.

<u>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM</u>: 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.

<u>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</u>: 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.

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.

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,

mass for people who are not able to make it to church, posting it by 4:30 pm Saturdays on the YouTube channel christtheservant.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Not a Holy Day of Obligation 2024

Recently, there have been several reports about the Feast of the Immaculate Conception & its status as a Holy Day of Obligation in the media.

Consequently, and in accord with Canon 87, §1, I therefore issue this decree establishing the following: the obligation linked to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which has been transferred to Monday, December 9, 2024, is hereby dispensed in the Diocese of Joliet. No member of the Catholic Faithful in this Diocese is obligated to attend Mass on December 9, 2024. Because the Blessed Mother is the Patroness of the United States under the title of the Immaculate Conception, I still encourage your participation at Mass and your devotion to the Immaculate Conception. *Bishop Ronald Hicks*

Daily Mass 8:30 am

The Rosary will be said Friday, December 6th, 9:00 am in the Eucharistic Chapel. Please join us.



Eucharistic Revival

The worship of Christ present in the Eucharist is not just a personal, solitary "Iesus and Me"



personal, solitary "Jesus and Me" experience, but involves the entire Church.

-Saínt Pope John XXIII

Help Decorating the Church

The Worship Commission is looking for many hands to help decorate our worship space for Advent and for Christmas.

On **Friday Nov. 29th, at 9AM** we will be removing all the Ordinary Time decor and setting up the Advent banners and altar cloths and the Advent Wreath.



On **Monday**, **Dec. 16th** we will meet at **9:15AM** to put together the Nativity scene (we promise, it will be much easier this year!!).



Then on **Monday, Dec. 23rd, 8:00 am**, we will be taking down all the Advent decorations and getting our Church ready for Christmas!



If you will be available on any or all of these days, please either call the parish office or tell one of the Worship Commission members. Thank you for being true servants of our parish!

Liturgy Spotlight

Advent draws our attention to a future glory while flashing also before our eyes that moment in history wherein hope's fulfillment took its place in a box of straw.

Advent hope finds a source in the coming of Christ in the flesh and fulfillment in the same One's coming in glory.



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

1st Sunday of Advent



December 1, 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

Thank you to everyone who joined us for November's Youth Group Western Night!







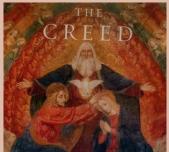
'Ancient of Days"



Nativity and Family Activities

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Adult Study: The Creed



Christ the Servant will be providing an adult study "the Creed" on Monday evenings at 7:00pm. There is no cost to join the study and participants may come to as many

sessions as they are able attend.

December 2: He Suffered Death December 9: Holy Spirit, Giver of Life

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.



Would your child be interested in helping at the 4:00 PM Christmas Mass?

Call or message Christine Goba for more information.

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

December 2/3/4 Regular classes December 9/10/11 Regular classes December 17 (Tuesday) RF Christmas Event:

"Ancient of Days"

December 18-January 5 Winter Break, no classes

January 6/7/8 Regular classes

January 13/14/15 Regular classes

January 20/21/22 Regular classes

January 24 (Friday) Youth Group Activity

Mark Your Calendar for Religious Formation's

Christmas Program "Ancient of Days"



that will be held on Tuesday, December 17th at 6:30pm. Families are invited to the Religious Formation Christmas Celebration "Ancient of Days" on Tuesday, December 17 at 6:30 pm. Donations and Volunteers are needed to make this event a great success if you can help please call or email Christine Goba cgoba@rcdoj.org or 630-910-0770. Thank you!

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 Forward of both our children and the whole of our Catholic community.

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

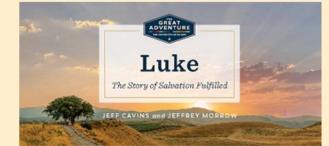
A \$175.00 donation will pay for one year of Faith religious education tuition

\$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.

Adult Study: Every Other Thursday 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

December 5 The Early Life of Jesus December 12 Jesus Begins His Public Ministry

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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, December 1 8:30 AM The John Frale family, reg. family 10:00 AM The Slavik family, req. Donna & Bill Ciolek Monday, December 2 8:30 AM St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Bolingbrook **Tuesday, December 3** 8:30 AM Thomas Wolfe, req. Andie Wolfe Wednesday, December 4 8:30 AM For the future Christ the Servant Parish Thursday, December 5 8:30 AM St. Dominic Parish, Bolingbrook Friday, November 6 8:30 AM St. Isidore Parish, Bloomingdale Saturday, December 7 4:45 PM JoAnn Frale, req. family Donna Buonamici, reg. Mary Kiser Sunday, December 8 8:30 AM Rich Buch, req. Marge Buch family 10:00 AM James Sullivan, reg. Carole Sullivan



Readings for the week of December 1, 2024

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37 Thurs: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27 Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35— 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Prayers for the Sick

Bill Amplo Paul Anandappa 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 Ray DiGrazia Marge Felix Cheryl Feltz John M. Foresman Marty Foy Mary Chap-Grigar Bill Hartig Michael Harris **Carolyn Heinrich** Carol Hendrich Fred Huth Cathy Jackson Jessica James

Rayna Januska Ed Jascewsky Madeline Jascewsky **Rich Johnson** Rov 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 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"

Rev. Philip Cleary

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 Bon Jalovo, pophow of Chuck & Linda Jalovo

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



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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Monday—Thursday8:30 AM—4:30 PM		
Friday8:30 AM—1:30 PM		
Mass Schedule		
Monday through Thursday8:30 AM		
Friday Communion Service8:30 AM		
The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.		
Saturday4:45 PM		
Sunday8:30 and 10:00 AM		
Holy Daysconsult bulletin or call		
Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment		
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Creation Care Corner

Calendar of Events

Sun, December 1 - Lent begins 8:30 am-mass 10:00 am-mass Thanksgiving food drop-off. Monday, December 2 8:30 am-daily mass 7:00 pm—Adult study "Creed" cancelled Tuesday, December 3 8:30 am—daily mass Wed, December 4 8:30 am-daily mass Thurs., December 5 8:30 am—daily mass 9:30 am—yoga 7:00 pm—baptism preparation class Friday, December 6 8:30 am— communion service Saturday, December 7-Craft Show 4:45 pm—mass Sign-up to donate Christmas food. Sunday, December 8-Craft Show 8:30 am—mass 10:00 am-mass Sign-up to donate Christmas food. Crafts show before/after Masses.

Upcoming Events Calendar Dec 1: Lent Begins Dec 1: Christmas Sharing—food and /or gift donation sign-up Dec 3: Mahjong 12:30 pm Dec 5: Baptism preparation class 7 pm Dec 5: Adult & youth choir practice Dec 7: Craft show before/after Masses Dec 7: Christmas food donation sign-up Dec 8: Craft show before/after Masses Dec 8: Craft show before/after Masses Dec 8: Christmas food donation sign-up Dec 9: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Not a holy day of obligation this year. 8:30 Mass only. Dec 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Giving an experience.

Our gift-giving traditions often entail the exchange of unwanted stuff from well-meaning people. Much of it will quickly come to rest in a landfill, along with the packaging it came in. Recent studies suggest that participants get more satisfaction and longer lasting pleasant memories from money spent on experiences, compared to material objects. That might be because "stuff," which can contribute to household clutter and waste, can be emotionally distressing. Consider instead giving a nice restaurant meal or museum experience. What about a health club, spa, dance, or educational experience? How about tickets to a concert, movie theater, theatrical or sporting event? Consider a gift of family fun at a local trampoline park, bowling alley, rock climbing gym or laser tag center. If nature is more their speed, consider a National Parks Annual Pass. It will be even better if you can join them for the experience.

"...it is essential to 'sense' that the earth is 'our common home' ... "- Pope Benedict XVI

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY:2024–2025				
Parish Expenses	\$	8,700.00		
Total Needed	\$	8,700.00		

CONTRIBUTIONS: Bulletin due early

Sunday	\$ 4,402.00
Other Donations	\$ 2,190.00
General Funds	\$ 15.00
Restricted	\$ 417.00
Capital Projects	\$ 135.00
Total:	\$ 7,159.00

Differential this period:

Needed:	\$ 8,700.00
Reported Income	\$ 7,159.00
Difference this period (-)	\$ 1,541.00

*Bulletin was due Nov. 21st because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Cash for Food	\$	15.00		
Green Team E-recycli	ng \$	1,095.00		
Thanksgiving/Hopes Front Door:				
	\$	50.00		

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



Active Members 1309





PARISH AMOUNT GOAL: 42,900 as of November 17, 2024.

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$44,219 AMOUNT PAID: \$42,909 BALANCE DUE: \$1,310 DONORS THIS YEAR: 226 2024 REBATE AMOUNT: \$0

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