

Christ the Servant Catholic Church

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



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.
- Lk 4:18

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January 26, 2025

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 4:30pm

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.

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.

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.

**Celebrating the Feast of Candlemas, and
St. Blaise and Throat Blessings
Sunday, February 1st and 2nd**

Feast of Candlemas

The Gospel of next Sunday tells us the story of when Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the temple 40 days after his birth and met Anna and Simeon. Simeon, a faithful Jew and a prophet, declared that Jesus was “the light.. to the nations...”

That is why the Church traditionally blesses candles on this feast day. We invite you to bring the candles you use at home, whether for traditional or personal purposes, to Mass next week, Feb. 1st and 2nd, Father will offer a special blessing for those candles.



Feast of Saint Blaise

Many Catholics are no doubt familiar with the blessing of throats performed on the feast of St. Blaise (February 2nd), one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers, who miraculously healed “a boy, whose life was despaired of by the physicians, on account of his having swallowed a bone, which could not be extracted from his throat,” as it is stated in his biography from Matins. 1 The blessing involves having blessed candles joined in the shape of a cross held to the throat while the Priest recites the following:
By the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every malady of the throat, and from every possible mishap; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. R. Amen.

The use of candles as part of this blessing may have its origin in the following account: “Blaise met a poor woman whose only pig had been snatched up in the fangs of a wolf but at the command of the bishop the wolf restored the pig alive to its owner.

The woman did not forget the favor, for later, when the bishop was languishing in prison, she brought him tapers to dispel the darkness and gloom.



Ladies Over 50 January Lunch

Please join us at: **Carriage Greens Country Club**

8700 Carriage Green Dr., Darien

Date: **January 28, 2025** Time: **1:00 pm**

R.S.V.P. Tina at 630-427-1724 or

Helene at 630-910-5147



Manna Gift Cards



**The January Manna gift card sale
is in progress.**

**Orders are due no later than Sunday
Jan. 26 by 10:30 am.**

Manna order forms are in the narthex, look for the Manna poster. Orders will be available for pickup before/after Masses, Saturday Feb. 1st and Sunday, Feb. 2nd.

Christ the Servant receives a percentage from each sale, & no additional fees to the buyer.



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 cgoaba@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!



- *Welcoming
- *Fun
- *Flexible
- *Educational
- *Affordable

CLASS TIMES:

- Monday 4:45-6:00 Grades K-6, 8
- Tuesday 4:45-6:00 Grades 1-6
- Tuesday 6:30-7:45 Grade 7-8
- Wednesday 6:30-7:45 Grades 7-8
- Remote option (any day of the week)

RF registration information can be found at www.ctswoodridge.org and in the Narthex. For more Information call Christine at 630-910-0770 or email at cgoaba@rcdoj.org

Congratulations to the children who celebrated their First Reconciliation

Congratulation to our students who have received their first Reconciliation or will be receiving the sacrament in the upcoming weeks. Please pray for them that they may always remain close to Jesus through this most holy sacrament. Thank you to their parents and teachers for all of their efforts to preparing and encouraging them.



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

January 30 Sharing in Jesus' Mission

February 13 Following Jesus

February 27 The Triumphal Entry and the End Times

March 13 The Death, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus

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.

Confirmation Reminders and News



Confirmation Date

Christ the Servant's Confirmation Class will be Confirmed by Bishop Dennis Spies, May 13 at 7:00 pm here at Christ the Servant Church. Confirmation practice is Friday, May 9 at 7:00 a parent or sponsor should attend with the student.

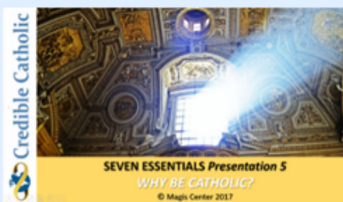
Confirmation Paperwork

Students who are preparing to receive Confirmation this year should start turning in their required paperwork.

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

Confirmation Presentation: "Why be Catholic"

All Confirmation students are asked to attend Wednesday, January 29 at 6:30-7:45 class for a presentation on "Why be Catholic." Parents and sponsors are invited to attend also.



Religious Formation Upcoming Dates

January 27/28/29 Regular classes
January 29 (Wednesday) Confirmation Speaker presentation on “Why Be Catholic?”
February 3/4/5 Regular classes
February 10/11/12 Regular classes
February 12 (Wednesday) Confirmation Speaker
February 17 (Monday) PRESIDENTS DAY Monday students work online or join Tue or Wed classes
February 18/19 Regular classes
February 24/25/26 Regular classes
February 28 (Friday) Youth Group
March 3/4/5 NO CLASSES All Students are asked to attend an Ash Wednesday Service instead of Class
March 5 (Wednesday) 4:30 Ash Wednesday Service
March 8 (Saturday) 1st Communion Retreat 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. (Child and Parent event for preparation for 1st Communion)
March 10/11/12 regular classes
March 12 (Wednesday) Confirmation presentation: Why would an All-Loving God Allow Suffering?
March 16 (Sunday) RF St. Patrick’s Mass
March 17/18/18 regular classes
March 24/25/26 regular classes & Reconciliation for grades 2-8
March 29-April 6 Spring Break

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.

SACRAMENTS 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)



Thank you to all who joined us for Youth Group last Friday.

Choosing Catholic Higher Education



Catholic higher education offers a unique path: delivering academic excellence, preparing students to become leaders, and exploring today’s professional responsibilities while incorporating personal responsibility for social justice.

Sacrament Reminder

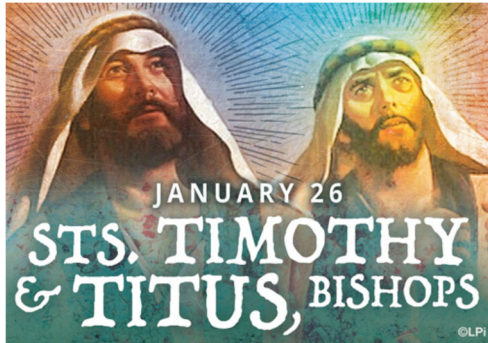
Don’t forget, if your child is planning on making a Sacrament the Diocese of Joliet requires children complete a minimum of two consecutive years of Religious Formation before receiving Sacraments. Typically, in 2nd grade, our children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the late fall and the 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.)



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, January 26

8:30 AM Michael Aube, req. Ciolek family
 Walter Bugay, req. Rod & Chestine Accardi
 10:00 AM Lottie Bugay, req. Rod & Chestine Accardi
 10:00 AM Caterina Perricone, req. Perricone family



Monday, January 27

8:30 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Tuesday, January 28

8:30 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Wednesday, January 29

10:00 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Thursday, January 30

8:30 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Friday, January 31

8:30 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Saturday, February 1

4:45 PM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Sunday, February 2

8:30 AM Bill Haas, req. Elena Haas
 10:00 AM The future of Christ the Servant Parish

Readings for the week of January 26, 2025

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20
Thurs: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Prayers for the Sick

Bill Amplo	Ed Jascewsky	Lolit Rancho
Paul Anandappa	Madeline Jascewsky	John Rossi
Mary Bastuga	Rich Johnson	Sonja Rudny
Barbara Bayro	Roy Kastner III	Steve Ryba
Frank Bayro	Paul Knight	Karen Salvio
Pam Baxter	Ann Kopp	Jim Sanders
Sharon Bhaskar	Barb Kosiek	Rita Sisko
Jim Brabec	Mike Leach	Marlene Snedeker
Renee Brennan	Robert Losik	Bill Snellenburger
Douglas Bruno	Marta Lucarelli	Jennifer Stile
Pat Chang	Joyce Maples	Dan Szymanski
Michael Durkovic Sr	David Marcotte	Dennis Szulc
Rudy Durkovic	Jan May	Michelle Toro
Ray DiGrazia	Donna Mays	Mary Vanderplow
Marge Felix	Sandy McKee	Jim Verdi
John M. Foresman	Arturo Mendez	Bill Wagner
Marty Foy	Robert Mizek	Judy Ward
Craig Frommelt	Anna Moneghini	Nancy Warnecke
Barb Gutman	Chuck Neal	Patricia Wheeler
Bill Hartig	Carmen Pegnatiello	
Michael Harris	Nam Pham	
Carolyn Heinrich	Allie Phillips	
Carol Hendrich	Jim Phillips	
Fred Huth	Janice Proskoy	
Cathy Jackson	Bob Pluta	
Jessica James	Parker Ramirez	
Rayna Januska	Wm. (Bill) Rausch	



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”

Victor Cordes

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
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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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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- Nova Baranski**, Bookkeeper Ext. 102
- Mary Goba**, Admin Assistant Ext. 102

- Commission Chairpersons**
- Robert Ramirez**, Pastoral Council Co-Chair
- Bill Yunker**, Pastoral Council Co-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, January 26, 2025

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Monday, January 27

8:30 am—daily mass
7:00 pm—PPC meeting
7:00 pm—P&SJ meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 28

8:30 am—daily mass

Wed, January 29

8:30 am - daily mass

Thurs., January 30

8:30 am—daily mass
9:30 am—yoga
4:45 pm—youth choir practice
6:30 pm—adult choir practice

Friday, January 31

8:30 am— communion service
**Celebrating Feast of Candlemas,
and Feast of St. Blasé**

Saturday, February 1

4:45 pm—mass

Sunday, February 2

8:30 am—mass
10:00 am—mass

Upcoming Events Calendar

- Jan 25/26:** Collection for Latin America
- Jan 27:** P&SJ meeting 7:00 pm
(rescheduled from Jan 20th)
- Jan 27:** PPC meeting 7:00 pm
- Jan 28:** Ladies over 55 lunch at Carriage
Greens 1:00 pm
- Jan 30:** Yoga 9:30 am
- Jan 30:** Youth choir practice 4:45 pm
- Jan 30:** Adult choir practice 6:30 pm
- Feb 1st and 2nd:** Celebrating the Feast of
Candlemas—Remember to bring a candle
or candles to be blessed if you wish.
- Feb 1st and 2nd:** Celebrating the Feast of
St. Blaise, Blessing of Throats

Parish Giving

NEEDED WEEKLY:2024–2025

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: Jan 15 thru 21

Sunday \$ 4,945.00
Other Donations \$ 1,690.00
General Funds \$ 158.00
Restricted \$ 335.00
Capital Projects \$ 35.00
Total: \$ 7,163.00

Differential this period:

Needed: \$ 8,700.00
Reported Income \$ 7,163.00
Difference this period (-) \$ **1,537.00**

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

Active Members 1312



2024

GOAL \$42,900
PARISH AMOUNT GOAL:
42,900 as of January 19, 2025

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$46,617
AMOUNT PAID: \$46,072
BALANCE DUE: **\$545**
DONORS THIS YEAR: 230
2024 REBATE: \$2,220

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

Laudate Deum - Individual & Systemic Change

Pope Francis once again urges the world to take action to reduce the impact of climate change in his recent Apostolic Exhortation *Laudate Deum*. A key concern of his is that climate change is especially harmful to the poor and future generations. As individuals we can and should take actions like switching to a more plant-based diet, flying and driving less, and adjusting the thermostat, etc.. But Francis notes that much of the problem is systemic, i.e.: the carbon pollution that is baked into existing systems of electricity generation, transportation, agriculture and building construction. So, in addition to taking personal action, we must find ways to engage our government officials. As Christians we should meditate on the questions: What am I doing for Christ? What ought I do for Christ? Consequently, if the discipleship of Jesus Christ includes care for creation and concern for humans suffering, including suffering from the results of climate change, we ought to ask: What am I doing to care for creation? What ought I do to care for creation?

Creation Care Corner

