

September 16th, 2018 | 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (923)

# Saint Denis Parish

85 Main Street / Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

**IN THE SAME WAY,  
FAITH BY ITSELF,  
IF IT IS NOT  
ACCOMPANIED BY ACTION,  
IS DEAD.**

**JAMES 2:17**

**As The Body Without The Spirit Is Dead, So Faith Without Deeds Is Dead**

*James 2:26*

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday – 4:30pm  
Sunday – 8:00 & 10:30am

DAILY MASSES

Monday – Wednesday 9:00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 – 4:00pm  
or by appointment

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NOTIFY THE RECTORY

Visitation of the sick & elderly  
Weddings, Pastoral Care

Church outreach Media

<https://formed.org/> code 6DF8JG

Flocknotes.com (to send message)

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Text to 84576 Message (StDenis85)

Online Giving (<https://saintdenisashburnham.org/online-giving>)



Sat	9/15	4:30pm	<b>Clement Thebault</b> <i>by Heather Barber</i>
Sun	9/16	8:00am	<b>Edwilda Rutan 5th Anniversary</b> <i>by Kim Nolan</i>
		10:30am	<b>Donna, Joey, Bobby Cheves</b> <i>by Kelly &amp; Cheves Families</i>
Mon	9/17	9:00am	<b>Emerenciana &amp; Marcial Yandoc</b> <i>by Family</i>
			<b>Mary &amp; Paul Brennan</b> <i>by Family</i>
			<b>Charley &amp; Millie Dolan</b> <i>By Family</i>
Tues	9/18	9:00am	
Wed	9/19	9:00am	
Sat	9/22	4:30pm	<b>Brian J. Cormier 5th Anniversary</b> <i>By Mom, Dad, and Joan</i>
Sun	9/23	8:00am	<b>Mike Murphy</b> <i>By Family</i>
		10:30am	



“What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, ‘Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. But someone will say, ‘You have faith; I have deeds.’ Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do. You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that – and shudder. For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also”

James 2:14-26



What an astonishing reading from St James to Christians in the first century and certainly to each one of us. More than just talk, our faith is manifested in what we do.

James knew that people needs to see the church displaying tangible evidence of what they say they believe, especially when it comes down to loving one another. Jesus, along with many others in the Bible, let their works speak for them. And, how they worked showed what the real measure of their faith was on the inside of them.

Faith shouldn't be silent. It is full of action. Faith is alive. Faith is shared through works to testify of its genuineness and sincerity.

Faith moves mountains and it is lived out in the lives of the men and women of God, it can move hearts toward salvation!

Fr. Memo

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?” (JAMES 2:5) What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions?



Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first in all things and realize that material things really don't matter and that it's more important to share with those who have less.



**Marriage Matters:** It is the fabric of our society, and it is important to protect it! We meet: 3rd Friday of month 7:00 PM

**Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study**

Open to anyone wishing to deepen their faith: We welcome all people, men, women, youth, and other denominations. The prayer group will meet every Thursday of the month from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. Fr Lacy Hall



**Men's Group Requesting new Members**

Meet 8:00am Fr Lacy Hall, first, third and 5th Sundays at 9:00am Need volunteers for morning coffee shoppe.

# Special Highlights | Offertory Update | Upcoming Events

## Knights of Columbus Council 15972



The Knights of Columbus Council 15972 is collecting new coats for children in the Ash-West school district, grades 1 through 5. Coats donated will be sent to the nurse coordinator for the school district for distribution to needy students on an as needed basis.

Beginning September 15th and running through October 7th, 2018, coupons with coat sizes will be hung at main entrance to the church. Please take a coupon which will have the needed coat size. Please deliver the coats to the bins placed at the church entrance between the above dates. Winter mittens and hats for grade school children will also be appreciated.

## September

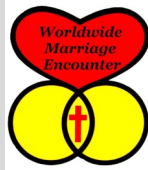
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9/15</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Church Bazaar *****</b>
Sun	9/16	8:00am	Men's Group Meeting
Wed	9/19	9:30am	Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
Thur	9/20	6:30pm	Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study
Fri	9/21	7:00pm	Marriage Matters
Tues	9/25	7:00pm	K of C Meeting
Wed	9/26	9:30am	Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
Thur	9/27	6:30pm	Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study
Sun	9/30	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Men's Group 5th Sunday Meeting</b>

## October

Wed	10/3	9:30am	Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
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### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. Take time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA and Sep 28-30, 2018 in Oneonta, NY. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.



## Religious Education Events

Mon	9/17	3:00pm	CCD Grades 3-5
		6:30pm	CCD Grades 6-8
Tues	9/18	3:00pm	CCD Grades 1 & 2
Sun	9/23	6:00pm	Grade 10 Classes
Mon	9/24	3:00pm	CCD Grades 3-5
		6:30pm	CCD Grades 6-8
Tues	9/25	3:00pm	CCD Grades 1 & 2
Wed	9/26	6:00pm	New to Program (Parents)



### Visit our web site:

- “Knights of Columbus” under “Ministries”
- Parish videos and live feeds - for the home bound, and people who missed a mass
- *Everything* is on the calendar
- Join Parish- under “Home”
- Request mass Intentions online
- Request Letters [www.saintdenisashburnham.com](http://www.saintdenisashburnham.com)
- confirming Sacraments

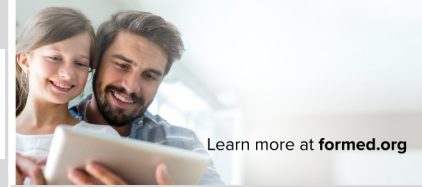


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### *Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the leftovers.*

9/2/18 Sunday Offertory: \$ 1,705.00  
Parish Needs: \$ 50.00



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**Thank you for your generous support of the parish. Your weekly financial support enables Saint Denis to provide for the needs of our parish.**



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