

December 30th, 2018 | The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph | (799-801)

Saint Denis Parish

85 Main Street / Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

LORD'S DAY MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

Mon. – Wed. 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,
Funerals, Etc.

The Christian home is the place where children receive the first proclamation of the faith. For this reason the family home is rightly called “the domestic church,” a community of grace and prayer, a school of human virtues and of Christian charity (CCC , 1666).



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Holy Day of Obligation:

Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Monday 12/31/18 at 6 PM (Vigil)

Tuesday 1/1/2019 at 10:00 AM



Sat 12/29 4:30pm
 Sun 12/30 8:00am **Arthur R. Marccoux**
 By Bob & Helene
 10:30am **William & Stella Gage**
 By Family
 Mon 12/31 9:00am Daily Mass


Holy Days of Obligation - Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
 6:00pm
 Tues 1/1 10:00am **Deceased Members of the Sabourin Family**
 By Jeff Lawrence

Wed 1/2 9:00am Daily Mass
 Sat 1/5 4:30pm
 Sun 1/6 8:00am
 10:30am **Daniel W. Gage**
 By Family

**Holy Day of Obligation:
 Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
 Vigil Monday 12/31/18 at 6:00 PM
 New Years Day 1/1/2019 10:00 AM**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
 Start the New Year out right enriching your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan 18-20, 2019 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar 8-10, 2019 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.



 **The K of C council is hoping to establish a youth group for grade 7 and 8 children in St. Denis Parish.** The K of C is also hoping to do the same thing at St. Edward the Confessor Parish in Westminster. We will have both youth groups come together for special events. Since the children know each other from Overlook Middle School they would have much in common.

 The first step is to have parents volunteer to work with the children from each parish. Please contact Joe Macchia 978 874 6282 or email me at josephmacchia@aol.com

New Year's Prayer

Heavenly Father, you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you. Lead each step in my life on the upcoming New Year.

Open doors of opportunities guiding our decisions and turning our hearts to deeply desire you above all else. We ask for your wisdom, for your strength, power, and love to be constantly present within us.

Make us strong and courageous for the road ahead. We beseech your gifts flowing freely through us so that you would be honored by what we do and by what we say, and then others would be drawn to you.

We pray that you'd keep us far from traps of temptations. That you would whisper in our ear when we need to run and whisper in our heart when we need to stand our ground. Holy Spirit from God gives us discernment and insight beyond our years, to understand your will, hear your voice, and know your ways. Provide for our needs with your grace and favor, we beseech your angelical protection over our families and friends.

We pray that you would help us to prosper in the upcoming year and to be known as great givers, to be generous and kind, help us to look to the needs of others and not be consumed by only our own.

May the fruits of your Spirit be evident in my life -your love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Heavenly Father, may we make a difference in this world, for your glory and honor. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, in this New Year, and forever. Amen.



St Vincent De Paul Society

Your St. Denis St. Vincent de Paul Conference works very closely with the Community Church and People's Church in Ashburnham to support the food pantry which is used to assist many people in the area. St. V assists many in the community with emergency medical needs, rent, food, utilities and other means of help. Anyone assisted is treated with respect and confidentiality, as we know how difficult it is to be in a receiving position; our hope is that temporary assistance will help them overcome a difficult period in their lives. Occasionally someone may need assistance with meals or being driven to a doctor's appointment, and we'd like to compile a list of parishioners who might be willing to occasionally help with those needs. A list will be left in the back of the church for sign-ups. These needs may not occur often, but it is a means of demonstrating the love for one another that Jesus has asked of each of us. Thank you for your help.



Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study

Do you desire to deepen your faith in God? We also will use Formed in our studies if you are curious about what it is. The prayer group will meet every Thursday of the month from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Fr Lacy Hall



Men's Group Requesting new Members Come Join us!

Meet 8:00 AM Fr Lacy Hall, first, third and 5th Sundays at 9:00 PM.



Bible Study using Ignatius Press Study Bible
Need volunteers for morning coffee shoppe. 8:00 AM setup and 12:00 PM Cleanup, Easy way to serve your parish!

Help your parish! Use online giving. It can be easily done from home, using our web site. Save the Parish money and save writers cramp from writing checks every week. You will be providing stability to your church and make it easy to see what you gave at tax time.

Online givers will have special cards in the front of the church if you wish to put into the basket! Look on the table in the front of the church. Online Giving is easy! give it a try.



December

- Sun 12/30 8:00am Men's Group/Bible Study
- Mon 12/31 2:00pm Wedding Celebration (Prentice)
- 6:00pm Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

January 2019!

- Tues 1/1 10:00am Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
- Wed 1/2 9:30am Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
- Thur 1/3 6:30pm Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study
- Fri 1/4 7:00pm Adoration
- Sat 1/5 2:00pm Wedding Celebration
- Sun 1/6 8:00am Men's Group Meeting (Bible Study)
- Wed 1/9 9:30am Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
- 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting
- Thur 1/10 6:30pm Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study
- Wed 1/16 9:30am Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group
- Thur 1/17 6:30pm Kerygma Prayer/Bible Study
- Fri 1/18 7:00pm Marriage Matters
- Sun 1/20 8:00am Men's Group Meeting (Bible Study)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- Mon 12/31 3:00pm NO CCD Grades 3-5
- 6:30pm NO CCD Grades 6-8
- Tues 1/1 10:00am NO CGS Classes
- 3:00pm NO CCD Grades 1 & 2
- Wed 1/2 3:15pm NO CGS Classes
- Sun 1/6 8-12pm First Communion Prep
- 6-9pm Grade 10 Classes
- Mon 1/7 3:00pm CCD Grades 3-5
- 6:30pm CCD Grades 6-8
- Tues 1/8 10:00am CGS Classes
- 3:00pm CCD Grades 1 & 2

Adoration First Fridays at 7:00 PM

We have begun a celebrating Adoration on the first Friday of the month at 7:00 PM. All Are welcome to Adore our Lord and savior.



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

- 12/23/18 Sunday Offertory: \$ 2,692.00
- Parish Needs: \$ 165.00
- Fuel & Maint. \$ 477.00
- 12/23/18 Online Donations: \$ 175.00



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