

July 20, 2014, 16th Sunday in Ordinary

Saint Denis Parish

*Brought together by Christ, we, the parish of
St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside, respond to his call to live our Catholic faith.*



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Mass Times

St. Denis Church

Saturday 8:00 am, 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Weekdays 8:00 am

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Saturday 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9:30 am

Weekdays: Please refer to the "Mass Intentions" schedule.

Confession Times

Saturday, 4:00 pm, Our Lady of the Wayside

Saturday, 5:00 pm, St. Denis

St. Denis Church

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Monday - Friday / 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Pastor's Corner

Dear fellow members of St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside,

The parable of the sower from this Sunday's reading speaks about the Church and the world. It is so easy to look at people and categorize them into good or bad. Every one of us is good and bad. There is light and darkness in each one of us. The Church is not a country club for the elite or the so called good people. It is a place where we can all grow, change and transform ourselves. So, there is no place for condemnation in the church. But as members of the church we encourage everyone to respond to God's love and grace and transform the world.

This Sunday 21st of July, our group of 9 teens and leaders from St. Denis are traveling to South Texas for a service mission trip week. They return next Saturday. Please keep them and the people they will be serving in your prayers.

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

Gospel Reading

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."'"

Mass Intentions

	<u>St. Denis</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Wayside</u>
Sat. 7/19	5:30pm Peggy Meagher+	4:30pm for the Parishioners of OLW
Sun. 7/20	7:30am Irene Goodwin+ (Elaine Schack) 9:30am Rose Leone+ (Lynore Tillim) 11:30am Peggy Meagher+ (Alvina Sawyer)	9:30am Siew Teck Ng+ (Maria Lim)
Mon. 7/21	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	7:30am for the Parishioners of OLW
Tue. 7/22	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	7:30am for the Parishioners of OLW
Wed. 7/23	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	7:30am for the Parishioners of OLW
Thu. 7/24	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Fri. 7/25	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Sat. 7/26	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	

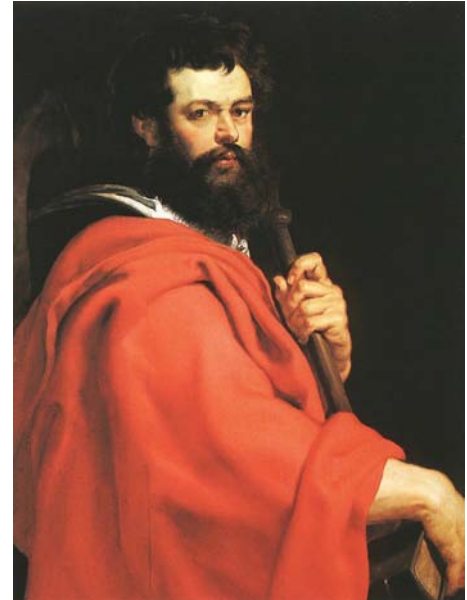
In your charity, please pray for...

Carol Armstrong, Agnes Babcock, Louise Brent, Archie Briggs, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Sandra Dailey, Gertrude DeZelaya, Bob Ellis, Amelia Elsbree, Michael Fil, Susan Fil, Ruben Fuentez, Johnny Gentry, Lauren Goode, Michael Ho, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Dick Kusa, Matthew Lear, Craig London, Phyllis Lucas, Luke Mars, Ann Martin, Sheri Martin, Dorothy Meyers, Dennis Miller, Rozeh Nikili, Lorraine O'Connor, Lorie Ortega, Angie Real, Jim Rock, Raymond Schaaf Sr, Aileen Schiel, Marie Scott, Omid Sharif, Lilly Schulte, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, David Welling, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates and Ada Zilli.

Please call the parish office if you would like a priest to bring Holy Communion.

Saint of the Week: St. James the Apostle

July 25 - The son of Zebedee and Salome, James is styled "the Greater" to distinguish him from the Apostle James "the Less", who was probably shorter of stature. We know nothing of St. James's early life. He was the brother of John, the beloved disciple, and probably the elder of the two. His parents seem to have been people of means. Zebedee was a fisherman of the Lake of Galilee, who probably lived in or near Bethsaida, perhaps in Capharnaum; and had some boatmen or hired men. Salome was one of the pious women who afterwards followed Christ and "ministered unto him of their substance". And his brother John was personally known to the high-priest; and must have had wherewithal to provide for the Mother of Jesus.



James is described as one of the first disciples to join Jesus. The Synoptic Gospels state that James and John were with their father by the seashore when Jesus called them. The Acts of the Apostles records that "Herod the king" (traditionally identified with Herod Agrippa) had James executed by sword. He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is recorded in the New Testament. He is, thus, traditionally believed to be the first of the twelve apostles martyred for his faith.

Weekly Stewardship Report

Deficit Fund Goal: \$21,748

Collected to Date: \$8,354

July 5/6, 2014			July 7/8, 2013		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$2,823.00	\$2,691.60	St. Denis	\$4,848.00	\$1,813.80
OLW	\$1,325.00	\$534.16	OLW	\$797.00	\$329.66
Total: \$7,373.76			Total: \$7,788.46		
Monthly Total, June 2014			Monthly Total, June 2013		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$18,699.00	\$10,766.42	St. Denis	\$19,320.00	\$9,069.01
OLW	\$6,406.00	\$2,136.66	OLW	\$5,979.00	\$1,648.34
Total: \$38,008.08			Total: \$36,016.35		

July 12/13, 2014			July 13/14, 2013		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$3,744.00	\$2,691.60	St. Denis	\$3,042.00	\$1,813.80
OLW	\$1,055.00	\$534.16	OLW	\$877.00	\$329.66
Total: \$8,024.76			Total: \$6,062.46		
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Religious Education

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word THIS SUNDAY

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is a drop-in ministry for children 4 years old through 4th Grade at St. Denis Church. Children come to Mass with their parents and then are invited to come forward to Children's Liturgy of the Word after the welcome. The kids are then dismissed with a catechist and return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. **There is NO CLOW this Sunday. We will resume on July 27.**

Register Now For Religious Ed

More than just a Sacramental Prep program, sign-up your kids for Religious Ed by August 31st in Pre-K through 8th Grade – registration is online at www.stdenisparish.org/religiousedreg. The earlier you register, the better we can plan how many catechists, aides, and how much materials we need, so registration is **available now**.

Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers

Not just another chastity talk or program, Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers is a course of study to introduce middle school students and their parents to St. Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body. The premise is that being created in God's image and likeness means something for us and our human existence as children of God. TOB helps provide solid and relevant answers to the questions and confusion tweens sometimes experience concerning their bodies, sexuality, and even their future. Our program, geared for middle school students in 6th through 8th grade, will bring you and your child together for sessions that answer questions such as "Who am I?", "Are there consequences to my actions?", "What is the difference between love and lust?", "How do I balance family, friends, school, God, music, TV, internet, texting, etc., in my daily life?", and more. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend each of the 8 sessions with their middle school student. We will meet approximately once a month on Wednesday evenings 7pm-8:30pm (snacks provided). Register online at www.stdenisparish.org/tob-for-middle-school by August 31st.

Young Adult Ministry

20s-30s Group: Holy Hour, Happy Hour

Young adults from several different parishes in the mid-peninsula (Redwood City-Menlo Park-Palo Alto) are meeting every Thursday at 8pm at Nativity Parish in Menlo Park for a Holy Hour followed by a Happy Hour at the Dutch Goose (Ave and Alameda de las Pulgas). If you're a young adult looking to connect with a young adult community, please join us! If you can't make the Holy Hour, stop by the Dutch Goose around 9:20pm and join us for a couple drinks. To sign up for our mailing list and find out about other activities, please contact Brendon Ford at BrendonRuelas@gmail.com

Senior Ministry

Senior Summer Luncheon

Monday, July 28, at 12 noon in the St. Denis Parish Center. All Seniors invited. RSVP by calling (650) 854-5976 or see Dede after Mass.

Youth Ministry

**OnFire
Nor Cal
2014**



Who: High School Students (incoming Freshmen and up) and Young Adults.

When: Saturday, September 20th 9am-9pm

Where: Six Flags Vallejo

Cost is \$80 and includes: breakfast, lunch & dinner, transportation, mass with all of the Nor Cal Bishops, preferred seating at the evening concert, mass with all of the Nor Cal Bishops, inspiring speakers throughout the day, and exclusive ride access in the evening.

More info, promo video, and permission slip available at www.stdenisparish.org/onfire2014

Return permission slip and payment by Sunday, September 7th to Lindsey West in the Parish Office

High Schoolers:

Sunday Lunches on Sex, Dating, and Relationships

Theology of the Body for Teens explores the meaning of our bodies, the significance of our sexuality, and the purpose for our lives. Using a mix of stories, real life examples, honest conversation, and a safe space for discussion, we'll delve into the answers to questions like "Why did God give us our sexual desires?", "What is the difference between love and lust?", "What does our sexuality teach us about God?", "What is the 'language of the body' and how do I 'speak' it?", and more. All high school students and friends are invited to sign-up. We will meet one to two times a month Sundays after the 11:30am Mass from 12:30pm-2pm, beginning with lunch together. There are 12 sessions in total. Register online at www.stdenisparish.org/hstobreg by August 31st.

Ministry Schedule

next week, July 26 & 27

St. Denis

5:30pm Lector: Jerry Griffin

E.M.: Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris, Anne Marie Jewell

7:30am Lectors: Danuta Eustice, Maria Decker

E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Sandy Rock

9:30am Lectors: Josephine Dorval, Sean Monahan

E.M.: Ann O'Hearn*, George Quiter III, Kathie Shaw, Heather Scholl

11:30am Lector: E Parsons

E.M.: Nancy & Bob Neuer, Flax

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm Lector: DuBois

E.M.: Schar, DeStaebler

9:30am Lector: Reid-Krensky

E.M.: Healey, Carroll, Ruggeri

* sacristan