

November 2, 2014, All Souls

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: 5:30 pm (Vigil)

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

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9:30 am

Confession Times

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

Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. Denis

St. Denis Church

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All Souls Evening Prayer

Nov. 2

4:00 pm

St. Denis Church

*Please join us as
we remember the
faithful departed*



Pastor's Corner

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

This weekend we celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day. We are united to the saints in their victory over sin, evil and death. We are also united in prayer with the souls of those who have died. Death overshadows everything. Our scripture readings speak about the meaning of death. St. Paul says that when we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were *"baptized into his death."* Today the Church calls us to pray for the dead. We pray that God *"will be merciful in judging those who have died."* Pardoning us of all our sinfulness is God's final act of love in our lives. Today we rejoice that we can help our loved ones enter the eternal kingdom and that despite our own failures, God's mercy is continually extended to us. The Month of All Souls is a great time for all of us to pray that our loved ones and all the faithful departed might receive the fullness of God's love. And so we pray, "May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace."

I would like to invite you all to the All Souls Vespers on November 2, Sunday at 4:00 pm at St Denis Church!

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji

Gospel Reading

Jesus said to the crowds: "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me. And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

Mass Intentions

	<u>St. Denis</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Wayside</u>
Sat. 11/01	5:30pm Donald Rush+ (Frank Koch)	4:30pm Gary & Silvia Vonderlinden (anniversary)
Sun. 11/02	7:30am for the deceased parishioners of St. Denis 9:30am for the deceased parishioners of St. Denis 11:30am for the deceased parishioners of St. Denis	9:30am for the deceased parishioners of OLW
Mon. 11/03	8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis	
Tue. 11/04	8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis	
Wed. 11/05	8:00am Tom Kirkbride+ (Mary Ann Robbiano)	
Thu. 11/06	8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis	
Fri. 11/07	8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis	

In your charity, please pray for...

Carol Armstrong, Agnes Babcock, Louise Brent, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Sandra Dailey, Gertrude DeZelaya, Bob Ellis, Amelia Elsbree, Michael Fil, Susan Fil, Ruben Fuentes, Johnny Gentry, Lauren Goode, Michael Ho, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Matthew Lear, 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, Kathy Schoendorf, Lilly Schulte, Marie Scott, Omid Sharif, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, David Welling, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli and Jean Zonner.

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

Religious Education

Religious Ed News

THIS Sunday, Nov. 2nd

10:30-11:30am—Family Service

Workshop for Lucile Packard

5:30pm-7:45pm—Year 2

Confirmation Class



Next Sunday (11/9)

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade

10:30am-11:30am—Big Kids' Sacramental Prep

Upcoming Dates & Events

11/5 (Wed) - Middle School TOB #2 7pm-8:30pm

11/23 (Sun) - Family Advent Workshop 10:30am-11:30am

12/6 (Sat) - Year 2 Confirmation Retreat

12/7 (Sun) - 1st Reconciliation Workshop

12/13 (Sat) - First Reconciliation (2nd Grade)

**Lucile Packard
Children's Hospital
AT STANFORD**



Religious Ed Family Service Project

Join us **TODAY** as we make blessings bags to support and give encouragement to families who have babies in the NICU at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital.

You and your kids will gather to assemble the NICU Blessing Bags and make a card for the parents who will be receiving the bag. We will also have a guest speaker from Lucile Packard. The workshop is immediately following the 9:30am Mass (grab your donut and coffee and bring it over to the parish center).

Thank you in advance for participating in this service project. If you have questions, please contact me (lwest@stdenisparish.org)

Mom's Ministry



Advent Art Contest!

Advent is around the corner (Sunday, November 30th). To celebrate, we want to invite your child, ages 3+, to submit their best Advent-Themed artwork (maximum 8.5 x 11 paper). The staff will select their favorites to be featured on the cover of our Parish Bulletin each Sunday of Advent. Children can submit their artwork to the parish office up until Sunday, November 23rd. Children can incorporate symbols of Advent (the wreath, candles, Jesse Tree), the Nativity Story (manger scene, angels, Wise Men), etc. Contact Lindsey: lwest@stdenisparish.org.

You are invited to a community of moms just for you!

A MOPS group is a dynamic, inviting environment where woman can come just as they are to **build friendships, be encouraged by each other and gain practical parenting strategies.** Moms get together to share food, laugh and hear inspiring speakers.

In a MOPS group, you experience authentic community, mothering support, personal growth and spiritual hope, all to help you be the best mom possible.

Mothers of Preschoolers

Coming Soon to St. Denis Parish

MOPS is a grassroots movement that believes moms are world influencers. MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, and by preschoolers we mean kiddos from birth and up. We know it's a little confusing so let's just stick with "MOPS." **If you are interested in our new ministry for moms, MOPS, contact Lindsey: lwest@stdenisparish.org.**

Youth Ministry



HIGH SCHOOL and COLLEGE STUDENTS!

DESIGN-A-SHIRT CONTEST

The Walk for Life West Coast, the nation's second-largest pro-life event, invites all pro-life artists to use your talents in the service of the littlest among us. Submit a design for the 2015 Walk for Life West Coast design-a-shirt contest!

Contest guidelines:

- Entry must be a 4-color design that will fit on a standard t-shirt.
- Submissions are due on December 15, 2014 and winners will be notified on December 22, 2014.
- Winners attending the Walk on January 24, 2015 in San Francisco will appear on the live EWTN pre-event show!
- Submissions may be made by email to info@walkforlifewc.com and must include your name, age, address, and phone number.



Upon submission, designs become the property of Walk for Life West Coast. See more contest details: www.walkforlifewc.com

the PRIZES: (for each age group!)

1st
\$500

2nd
\$350

3rd
\$150

Young Adult Ministry

Holy Hour-Happy Hour (H4)

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are encouraged to join us for a Holy Hour at Nativity parish (210 Oak Grove, Menlo Park) on Thursdays from 8pm-9pm, followed by drinks at 9pm at the Dutch Goose (3567 Alameda De Las Pulgas, Menlo Park). If you have any questions, please e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com.

Religious Education



Christmas Caroling Service Opportunity

Once again LisaMarie Lombardi is organizing our Christmas Music for Seniors project. All musicians (any age, any instrument, any level of experience) are invited to join us on Sunday December 7 from 2pm to 5pm to bring music of the season to those in retirement homes. We will be going to Palm Villas and Woodside Terrace in Redwood City (a 3rd retirement home may be added). All venues do have a piano available.

We will have one practice session on Wednesday December 3 at 7:00pm at St. Denis Church, 2250 Avy Avenue, Menlo Park. The practice is not mandatory but strongly encouraged. LisaMarie will sign off on service hours for the practice session as well as the concert for those coming to the practice. All Christmas, Hanukkah, and Winter Seasonal music (e.g. Sleigh Ride) is welcome.

Please RSVP directly to LisaMarie Lombardi atmlombardi1220@hotmail.com. Let her know which pieces you (or your child) would like to play, which instrument, and years of experience.

Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers

"The Talk" can be so awkward and challenging. Theology of the Body presents the theology of who God created us to be and what our bodies are meant for. **The next TOB for Middle Schoolers is Wednesday, November 5th, 7pm-8:30pm in Classroom 2 in the Parish Center.** If you have questions, please contact me at lwest@stdenisparrish.org.

Saint of the Week: St. Charles Borromeo



November 4 - Charles was the son of Count Gilbert Borromeo and Margaret Medici, sister of Pope Pius IV. He was born at the family castle of Arona on Lake Maggiore, Italy on October 2. He received the clerical tonsure when he was twelve and was sent to the Benedictine abbey of SS. Gratian and Felinus at Arona for his education.

In 1559 his uncle was elected Pope Pius IV and the following year, named him his Secretary of State and created him a cardinal and administrator of the see of Milan. He was instrumental in having Pius reconvene the Council of Trent, which had been suspended in 1552. He was ordained a priest in 1563, and was consecrated bishop of Milan the same year. He instituted radical reforms despite great opposition,

with such effectiveness that it became a model see. He raised the effectiveness of the diocesan operation, established seminaries for the education of the clergy, founded a Confraternity of Christian Doctrine for the religious instruction of children and encouraged the Jesuits in his see. He increased the systems to the poor and the needy, was most generous in his help to the English college at Douai, and during his bishopric held eleven diocesan synods and six provincial councils. He founded a society of secular priests, Oblates of St. Ambrose (now Oblates of St. Charles) in 1578, and was active in preaching, resisting the inroads of protestantism, and bringing back lapsed Catholics to the Church. He encountered opposition from many sources in his efforts to reform people and institutions. He died at Milan on the night of November 3-4, and was canonized in 1610. He was one of the towering figures of the Catholic Reformation, a patron of learning and the arts, and though he achieved a position of great power, he used it with humility, personal sanctity, and unselfishness to reform the Church, of the evils and abuses so prevalent among the clergy and the nobles of the times.

Please pray for the response of the soul of parishioner

Thomas Kirkbride.

His funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, November 1, at St. Denis Church.

Weekly Stewardship Report

October 25/26, 2014			October 26/27 2013		
	Sunday Collection	E-Giving		Sunday Collection	E-Giving
St. Denis	\$3,821.00	\$2,110.28	St. Denis	\$4,603.00	\$1,704.79
OLW	\$1,006.00	\$431.33	OLW	\$1,447.00	\$405.33
Total: \$6,828.61			Total: \$8,160.12		
Monthly Total, October 2014			Monthly Total, October 2013		
	Sunday Collection	E-Giving		Sunday Collection	E-Giving
St. Denis	\$15,974.00	\$10,669.00	St. Denis	\$20,456.00	\$10,540.17
OLW	\$5,822.00	\$2,181.66	OLW	\$5,381.00	\$2,313.34
Total: \$34,646.66			Total: \$38,690.51		

All Souls Evening Prayer

On Sunday, November 2, the Choir of St. Denis Church will present Solemn Evening Prayer for All Souls, in Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. The service is at **4:00 pm (note that the time of the service has changed)**, St. Denis Church.

Children's Choir

Calling All Singers!!!

There will be four rehearsals for Children's Choir, Christmas Eve Mass. The rehearsals will each be on Sunday following the 9:30 am Mass, in the church. *There will be a sign-up table outside of the church on November 16 and November 23.* You can also sign-up by emailing Jeffery Abbott at jabbott@stdenisparish.org.



Rehearsal schedule:

November 30
December 7
December 14
December 21

Christmas Tea

8th Annual Parish Christmas Tea

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Saturday, December 13, 1:00-3:00 pm
St. Denis Parish Center

Guest Speaker:
Fr. Gladstone H. Stevens, S.S.

The Parish Tea Committee will sell tickets on Sunday November 2nd and November 16th after the 9:30 am Mass. Tickets can also be purchased (\$25.00 per guest) in the parish office.

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Winter Clothing Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County (SVdP) serves the forgotten, suffering or deprived in our midst. Annually, SVdP helps over 31,000 people - almost half of whom are children. November 2nd, 9th, and 16th at St. Denis, there will be a barrel in the Church available for donations of winter clothing for children such as coats or jackets, socks, hats, or gloves. Your donations will be gratefully received to help families and neighbors in need. Thank you in advance, and may God bless you for your generosity.

Ministry Schedule

next week, November 8 & 9

St. Denis

5:30pm **Lector:** Joan Mersch-Foss
E.M.: Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris, Anne Marie Jewell

7:30am **Lectors:** Danuta Eustice, Paul Kirincich
E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Bill & Gerri Beasley

9:30am **Lectors:** Jill Stanley, Scott Stanley
E.M.: Susanna Tang, Catherine Coluzzi, Josephine Dorval, Marlene Hunter, Barbara Mason*, Dave Welch

11:30am **Lector:** F Muennemann
E.M.: E Parsons, S Flax, P Dewes

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm **Lector:** DuBois
E.M.: Sullivan, Welling

9:30am **Lector:** Broome
E.M.: Carroll, Aymerich, Anderson