

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.

Join us **Wednesday, Mar. 11th**

For Mass, followed by Soup
Supper hosted by **Outreach**
6:00 pm at St. Denis Church

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Mass Times

St. Denis Church

Saturday: 5:30pm (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

Office Hours

M-F, 9:00 am—2:00 pm



March 8th, 2015

| Third Sunday of Lent

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St. Denis Church (Parish Office)
2250 Avy Avenue • Menlo Park

Our Lady of the Wayside Church
930 Portola Road • Portola Valley

Pastor's Corner

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

The gospel story of this Sunday is one of the few incidents mentioned in all the four Gospels, Jesus cleansing the temple in Jerusalem. In the argument that followed, Jesus changed the focus to another temple, the temple of his body. The temple in Jerusalem was destroyed around 70 AD and the temple of his body was also destroyed when he was crucified. So there was no temple for worship. The risen Christ became the new temple. We are members of Christ's body and as such we ourselves are the place of prayer and worship. Paul writes to the Corinthians, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you?" This temple; our body, our soul, our entire being, is constantly in need of cleansing, as Jesus cleansed the temple in Jerusalem. Everything unworthy of God has to be cast out. May this Lenten season be a time when we can let Christ cleanse our whole being.

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

There will be a Second Collection this weekend to support the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.
This weekend Fr. Anthony Giampietro, CSB will be speaking at all the masses at St. Denis Church.

Gospel Reading

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me.

At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well. -John 2:13-25

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat. 3/7 5:30pm for the deceased parishioners of St. Denis

Sun. 3/8 7:30am Bonnie Rock[†] (The Rock Family)
9:30am Al Yujuico[†] (Lu Yujuico)
11:30am Floyd Kenlay[†] (Joe & Mary Merkert)

Mon. 3/9 8:00am Mary C Miller[†] (Nancy Miller)

Tue. 3/10 8:00am Donald & Mary Miller[†] (Nancy Miller)

Wed. 3/11 8:00am Mary C Miller[†] (Nancy Miller)

Thu. 3/12 8:00am Donald & Mary Miller[†] (Nancy Miller)

Fri. 3/13 8:00am Successful Surgery (Anonymous)

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm Terrence Donohoe[†] (Ciotek/Donohoe Family)

9:30am Terrence Donohoe[†] (Ciotek/Donohoe Family)

In your charity, please pray for...

Carol Armstrong, Baby Stella Arde, Agnes Babcock, Bob Bark, Louise Brent, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Lynn Cintron, 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, Matthew Lear, Phyllis Lucas, Luke Mars, Ann Martin, Sheri Martin, Dorothy Meyers, Dennis Miller, Rozeh Nikli, Lorraine O'Connor, Lorie Ortega, Angie Real, Jim Rock, Raymond Shaaf Sr., Aileen Schiel, Kathy Schoendorf, Marie Scott, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, Walter Weber, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli, and Jean Zonner.

Saint of the Week: St. Frances of Rome (March 9)

March 9—One of the greatest mystics of the fifteenth century; born at Rome, of a noble family, in 1384; died there, 9 March, 1440. Her youthful desire was to enter religious life, but at her father's wish she married, at the age of twelve, Lorenzo de' Ponziani. Frances was remarkable for her charity to the poor, and her zeal for souls. She won many Roman ladies from a life of frivolity, and united them in an association of oblates attached to the White Benedictine monastery of Santa Maria Nuova. Later they became the Benedictine Oblate Congregation of Tor di Specchi (25 March, 1433) which was approved by Eugene IV (4 July, 1433). Its members led the life of a religious, but without the strict cloister or formal vows, and gave themselves up to prayer and good works. She had the gift of miracles and ecstasy, as well as the bodily vision of her guardian angel, had revelations concerning purgatory and hell, and foretold the ending of the Western Schism. She could read the secrets of consciences and detect plots of diabolical origin. She was remarkable for her humility and detachment, exemplified on the occasion of her husband's banishment, the captivity of Battista, her sons' death, and the loss of all her property. On the death of her husband (1436) she retired among her oblates at Tor di Specchi, and was made superior. On the occasion of a visit to her son, she fell ill and died on the day she had foretold. Her canonization was preceded by three processes (1440, 1443, 1451) and Paul V declared her a saint on 9 May, 1608, assigning 9 March as her feast day.



A Big Thank you from St. Anthony's!

The clothing drive for St. Anthony's ended last week and we were able to bring them close to 100 bags of shoes and clothing because of the incredible generosity of our two churches. And because of your donations, last week St. Anthony's was able to give away 400 pieces of clothing to women and 300 pieces to men. I would also like to thank those of you who stepped in to help with the delivering ... Anne VanCamp who took care of everything at Our Lady along with Susanna Tang, Jill & Scott Stanley and Pat Mach for each taking a carload. Heartfelt thanks for everyone who participated. According to the head of the Clothing Center ... we have given their clients a great gift.

Weekly Stewardship Report

February 28/ March 1, 2015			February 22/23, 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$3,881.00	\$2,544.08	St. Denis	\$3,792.00	\$2,120.83
OLW	\$1,156.00	\$511.66	OLW	\$784.00	\$637.70
Total: \$8,092.74			Total: \$7,334.53		
Monthly Total, February 2015			Monthly Total, February 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$14,675.00	\$10,176.33	St. Denis	\$12,563.00	\$8,483.34
OLW	\$3,167.00	\$2,046.66	OLW	\$4,110.00	\$2,550.82
Total: \$30,064.99			Total: \$27,707.16		

Lenten Day of Reflection

St. Denis will be hosting a Day of Reflection for all adults on Monday, March 23, from 10:00am—2:00pm. Fr. Russ Roide, S.J., will give a presentation on the topic, “Lessons of Inner Strength for Challenging Times.” Our day will start with coffee and treats and will include Mass, reflection time, and lunch. We will have sign-ups following the Masses at St. Denis beginning THIS weekend or you can drop off your check at the parish office during business hours. Please feel free to invite your friends to join us. The cost is just \$19 and is open to everyone.

Dementia Caregiver Course

Please join Catholic Charities and the City of San Mateo Parks and Recreation department as we host the “Dementia Care Strategies for Family Caregivers” course. This 2 hour overview will be held on Saturday March 28 from 10am-12pm at the San Mateo Senior Center (2645 Alameda de las Pulgas). The free course will introduce the latest, most effective strategies for dementia care, and will be helpful for caregivers with all levels of experience. Presenter Patricia Hurst, Case Management Coordinator, will cover several topics including effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find extra information and assistance. Please register by visiting www.erecog.com (Course #66167). For help with registration you can call 650.522.7490.

Discover . Love . Anew

YOUNG ADULTS this is YOUR time!

Are you looking to:

- Get away to reflect on your personal relationships and their meanings?
- Reignite your passion in Life?

. . . . Then come away with other young adults in their mid 20's and 30's to a Caritas Retreat and get more out of your faith and your life!

Caritas Retreat

April 23-26, 2015

Mt. Hermon, CA

Learn more & register at: www.caritasretreat.org

Lenten Services

March 10, Wednesday
6:00 pm Mass followed by Soup Supper
Prepared by the Outreach Committee

March 18, Wednesday
6:00 pm Mass followed by Soup Supper

March 25, Wednesday
6:00 pm Reconciliation Service and
Confessions.

March 28, Saturday
6:30 pm Seder Dinner

St. Patrick's Celebration

We will be having a St. Patrick's Day Parish Dinner on Saturday, March 14, following the 5:30pm Mass. The cost is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child over age 6. The menu will include corned beef and cabbage and many other delights. We will have sign-ups during the first weekend in March.

Spiritual Book Group

The Spiritual Book Group will take a break and not meet on March 10. We'll resume on March 17th. Currently we are reading Iona Dreaming: the Healing Power of Place by Clare Cooper Marcus. We read a couple of chapters each week and meet in the library in the Parish Center. Tuesdays, 9:00 am. Please call Tereza McNamee for specifics, 323-6859 and join us later this month.

Ministry Schedule

St. Denis

Mar. 14 / Mar. 15

5:30pm **Lector:** Ann Marie Jewell
E.M.: Ann Marie Jewell, Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris

7:30am **Lectors:** Maria Decker, Danuta Eustice
E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Sandy Rock

9:30am **Lectors:** Tereza McNamee, Peter McNamee
E.M.: Susanna Tang, Josephine Dorval, Marlene Hunter, Barbara Mason, Heather Scholl, Catherine Coluzzi*

11:30am **Lectors:** F Muennemann
E.M.: L. Lombardi, L. Marco, P. Dewes

4:30pm **Lectors:** Mingram
E.M.: Vonderlinden, Sullivan

9:30am **Lectors:** Reid-Krensky
E.M.: Alfano B., Anderson, Ruggeri

Religious Ed Announcement

A Bittersweet Goodbye

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I am sad to announce that I will be resigning as the Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry at St. Denis Parish. I have been so grateful for my time at St. Denis for the past almost three years. This community is a blessing and there are so many good things happening and still to come for the parish. My husband, Scott, and I have a 16-month-old son, Jack, for those who may not know or remember. Scott and I discerned, after a lot of prayer and discussion, that we needed to move to a more affordable area for the best interest of our family.

While I am sad to be leaving, it is also an exciting time as my family prepares for a new chapter of our lives in Roseville, CA (near Sacramento). I am praying for St. Denis as Fr. Jose searches for the next Director of Religious Ed and Youth Ministry. Between Fr. Jose, the Parent Advisory Board, and Kenny, we are putting a plan into place to minimize any disruptions to Religious Ed during the time of transition.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to Fr. Jose for being so supportive of Religious Ed and Youth Ministry, to the Parent Advisory Board for being great partners and supporter in the mission of building up our Religious Ed Ministry, to the staff, and especially to all of you for allowing me to help shape and guide our Religious Ed & Youth Ministries. I will be in the background to help with the transition, especially once a new DRE is found, but my last Sunday at St. Denis will be March 15th.


Religious Education/Youth Ministry

St. Denis Parish


High School Service Event

Food Delivery

Tenderloin



Cost: \$25 per person



Saturday, March 14th | 8:00 am - 3:00 pm | Carpool to/from St. Denis

Information or Questions?
Contact Kenny Van Tilburg at
kvantilburg@stdenisparish.org

Last Day to Sign-Up for both of these great events is this Sunday!

Contact Kenny!

Middle School Social: Rockin' Jump Trampoline Park



Friday, March 13th

- > WHEN: FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH
- > WHERE: ROCKIN' JUMP
401 QUARRY ROAD
SAN CARLOS, CA 94070
- > TIME: LEAVE ST. DENIS AT 6:00PM AND ARRIVE BACK AT 9:30PM
- > COST: \$20 per person



MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS?
CONTACT KENNY VAN TILBURG AT KVANTILBURG@STDENISPARISH.ORG

Religious Education/Youth Ministry

Religious Ed Calendar

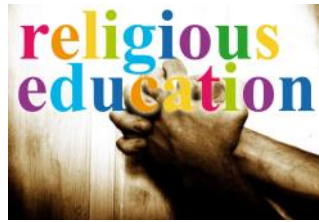
THIS Sunday, Mar. 8th

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade

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

5:30pm-7:45pm—Year 2 Confirmation



Next Sunday (3/15)

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade

12:30pm-1:30pm—TOB for HS

Upcoming Dates & Events

3/13 (Fri) - Middle School Rockin' Jump Trampoline Party

Calling All Actors!

We will be reenacting the Gospel narrative for Palm Sunday. We will need several youth to act and several youth to read for this narrative.



There will be ONE practice on

Saturday, March 21st from **10:00am to 12:00pm**. The re-enactment will be **Sunday, March 29th** at the **9:30am Mass**.

Sometimes called the Passion Play, this Gospel re-enactment helps bring the story of Jesus' Passion to life for the community gathered at Mass. We want kids and youth, Grades 3 and up to help us bring the Gospel reading to life.

If you're interested in participating as a reader or an actor please contact Kenny Van Tilburg ASAP!

St. Denis Parish

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July 19 - August 1
2016

Questions/Info

Contact: Kenny Van Tilburg

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Share your faith with Catholic youth from all over the world!

Permission slip and information can be found at www.stdenisparish.org/worldyouthday2016. Please have registration form and deposit submitted by **Sunday**,