

Saint Denis /Our Lady Of The Wayside Churches

*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: 5:30pm (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

**Second Collection today
for Catholic Relief
Services**



March 31st, 4th 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

Parish Lenten Retreat

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

Given how our world seems to be these days, what we taste and what we see is bitter and appalling. When I was in high school, my Irish Catholic mother used to tell me that the world is getting worse. That was a very long time ago. The older I get, the more I become like my mother. It does seem like the world is getting worse though. Kids are cyberbullying other kids. More than ever children and adults are victims of gun violence. We have heard scandal after scandal in the Church, in academia, in Hollywood and in the US Women's Gymnastics Organization. Unfortunately, I could go on and on. I am beginning to sound like my mother.

Today's Responsorial Psalm instills and gives us hope and what truly is possible. The words of the Responsorial Psalm are taste and see the goodness of the Lord. I sought the Lord and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. We are called and challenged to live the faith. By living the faith, then the good Lord can work in and through us so that those in need can taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

When we are kind to others, they taste and see the gentleness of the Lord. When we are forgiving of others, they taste and see the mercy of the Lord. When we care about others, they taste and see the compassion of the Lord. When we are loving of others, they taste and see the glory of God because love is the essence and spirit of God. The world can get better if we choose to live our faith the best we can each and every day. May we be committed to living the faith, our faith in God to prove my mother wrong.

God bless,
Fr. Paul

We Believe

Choices

This past week was the feast of the Annunciation celebrated on March 25. A young Jewish girl is summoned by an angel to birth Jesus into the world. While we may repeat those words of the Angel Gabriel every time we say a "Hail Mary," how often do we really think of their tremendous significance in human history? Our loving Creator chose to engage a human being, a woman, in the divine plan of salvation and sending a holy messenger to Mary shows the value God has for all of us in this world. As a co-creator, a life-giver, and a Christ-bearer, Mary models a role that we all share as followers of Christ and this fundamental story within our faith history once again points to the importance God places on our power to choose. Mary chose to be a part of God's salvific plan, we have the opportunity to do the same.

Lent is a great time to review our choices and priorities as we seek to renew ourselves as Christ-bearers. An angel may not come to us, but avenues of hope and grace are there for the taking. Some Lenten soul-searching may cause us to ask the questions, "How will we birth Christ into our daily lives, our habits, and our routines?" "To what will we answer 'Yes!'"

Dede Waters-Masters

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat. Mar. 30	5:30 pm	Christian unity
Sun. Mar. 31	7:30 am	Irene Goodwin (+)
	9:30am	Felicidad Carrasco (+)
	11:30am	Georgia Sexton (+)
Mon. Apr. 1	8:00 am	Ann Affrunti (+)
Tue. Apr. 2	8:00 am	Robert Pederzani (+)
Wed. Apr. 3	8:00 am	Religious vocations
Thurs. Apr. 4	8:00 am	Those in service of peace
Fri. Apr. 5	8:00 am	In gratitude

Our Lady Of The Wayside

Sat. Mar. 30	4:30 pm	For persecuted Christians
Sun. Mar. 31	9:30 am	For small farmers

In your charity, please pray for...

Maria da Ponte, Sarah Lucas, Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Rosa Sharif, Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Janice Varell, Peter Fulchiron

Faith Formation News

CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETS SUNDAY

Sunday, March 31 beginning with Mass at 5:30pm then dinner and class til 8:00pm.

Bring your journals and folders and any paperwork you have ready to turn in.

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

There are no classes on April 7 (Spring break), April 14 (Palm Sunday) or April 21 (Easter)

Classes will resume on April 28.



EASTER EGG HUNT AT ST. DENIS

Easter Sunday, April 21 right after the 9:30am Mass. Join us in the garden behind the church to search for candy-filled eggs.

There will be separate areas for older and younger children and a limit of THREE eggs per child so that everyone will get some! Join the fun!

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

Please celebrate with our children as they receive the Lord for the first time in the Eucharist!

(rehearsal for all 4 groups will be Saturday, April 27 at 10:00am at St. Denis)

Saturday, April 27 at 5:30pm at St. Denis

Sunday, April 28 at 9:30am at St. Denis

Saturday, May 4 at 10:00am at St. Denis

Sunday, May 5 at 9:30am at Our Lady of the Wayside

Kenya Help Lenten Project

The Outreach Committee, along with Father Paul, has selected the organization Kenya Help as our Lenten Project for this year. Kenya Help built a girls Catholic high school several years ago in Navisha, Kenya, and they are looking for help to fund scholarships for the students both at the boys and girls high school level. The cost is \$800 per student per year and we would like to make sure we can cover all 4 years of high school for as many students as possible. Many of the board members will be here for discussion and to showcase the crafts from Kenya, after Masses on April 6-7 (Saturday and Sunday at St. Denis, Sunday only at Our Lady of the Wayside) We hope you will take the time to listen, discuss and help with this very worthwhile project. Thank you as always for your generosity.



Friendly Reminders

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deadline for bulletin inserts is (The Tuesday Before Noon,) before the weekend of publication. All mass announcements are to be scripted and okayed by Dede prior to masses. Contact her at dede@pacbell.net

NOTE: Announcement may not appear until the next

Bulletin due to space

limitations.

Thank You!



Stewardship

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 (Estimated goal)	\$468,000.00
July 1, 2018 to February, 2019	\$293,875.00
Monthly Goal- February 2019	\$36,000.00
February 2019 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$33,055.00
2019 Annual Appeal Goal	\$110,000.00
2019 (Actual Annual Appeal to date)	\$80,605.00

Donation Corner

“Save Time and Donate Online!”

Online Giving is available for parishioners with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit our website stdenisparish.org, and follow the links. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call WeShare at 800 950-9952.

The Triduum



Holy Week

Holy Thursday– April 18th at 7pm at St. Denis mass with feet washing, Benediction

**Good Friday Services– April 19th– Noon at St. Denis Stations, Passion,
Adoration of the cross, Communion**

Easter Vigil– April 20th– 7pm at St. Denis with reception afterwards

Easter Sunday– April 21st– Regular Sunday schedules:

Our Lady of the Wayside Church at 9:30am with Easter Egg Hunt

St. Denis Church 7:30am mass

9:30am mass with Easter Egg Hunt

11:30am mass

Retreat at Vallombrosa in Menlo Park

This day is for mothers of all ages and in all stages of life. Motherhood is a special calling. We'll reflect on how God blesses, sustains and consoles us as we live our unique vocation.

Light snacks and coffee in the morning. Lunch is included and Eucharist will be celebrated.

Seating is limited. Sunday, April 28, 2019 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM PST

Call 650-325-5614 or Register Here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/retreat-for-mothers-with-mary-abinante-tickets-52969849245>

