

# 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.*

## Parish Staff

### Rev. Paul O'Dell

wpodell@aol.com  
(415) 686-9951  
Pastor

### Gina Morales

Operations Manager  
gmorales@stdenisparish.org  
(650) 854-5976 press 2

### Lucy Soltau

Director of Faith Formation  
lsoltau@stdenisparish.org  
(650) 854-5976 press 3

### Dede Waters-Masters

Pastoral Minister in charge of  
Liturgy & Senior Services  
dedewm@pacbell.net  
(650) 854-5976 press 4

## 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 for  
Peter's Pence**



**June 30, 2019 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(650) 854-5976  
www.stdenisparish.org

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

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

## Gospel Reading Luke: 51-62

### Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading begins a long section unique to Luke's Gospel. Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem, which will end with his ministry in Jerusalem. We read that Jesus' days for being "taken up" were fulfilled. The Greek word that Luke uses for "taken up" is the same word he uses to describe the Ascension. We also read that Jesus is determined to journey to Jerusalem. For Luke, Jesus ministry begins in Galilee and then is one long journey to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will meet his death but also enter into his glory. Only in Luke does Jesus then spend 40 days in Jerusalem instructing his disciples. It is in Jerusalem that his disciples wait after his Ascension to be sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. And it is from Jerusalem, in Luke's second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, that the Good News is spread to Rome and the ends of the earth.

Immediately Jesus is met with rejection, as a Samaritan village will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. There was animosity between Samaritans who worshiped on Mount Gerazim and Jews who worshiped in Jerusalem. Jesus was also rejected as he began his ministry in Galilee in Chapter 4. And he will be rejected for the last time when he reaches Jerusalem. James and John want to call down fire from heaven to destroy the people in the village, but Jesus rebukes them and moves on. There is often the temptation to use violence to achieve right. Jesus has come to break this temptation. He is aware that he must undergo violence himself before he can enter his glory.

The rest of today's reading is about the radical demands of discipleship. The three people who volunteer to become disciples on this journey show that they do not understand the demands Jesus will make of them. Neither care of self, care for the dead, nor care of one's family (as required by the Fourth Commandment) can come before the demands of discipleship. Jesus reminds the first volunteer, who would go wherever Jesus goes, that animals in the wild have more security than do Jesus and his followers. The second, who wants to bury a parent, is reminded that the demands of proclaiming the Kingdom of God take precedence. And the third, who wants to say farewell to his family, is reminded that once you put your hand to the plow you cannot look back or the furrow will be crooked. Such a person is not ready for the Kingdom of God.

Jesus seems harsh here, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life. He knows this, but the disciples do not understand. Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mission central to his life, and then go forward without looking back.

Excerpt from Loyola Press

## We Believe

### I'M BORED

The holidays and Holy Days are done for a while.  
We're back in Ordinary Time.  
Ordinary colors (green) in the church, ordinary stories  
We've heard a million times in the Gospels.  
But does ordinary have to mean boring?!

When my kids said, "I'm bored",  
I usually told them to find something to do.  
If they wait for me to find something for them,  
They'd end up doing yard work all summer!

So to help with that famous summertime complaint,  
there's an insert in today's bulletin with suggestions  
for every day in July and August!!  
And these suggestions are for anyone of any age, not just kids!

Some examples:  
say a prayer of thanks,  
ride your bike,  
pick a Beatitude and practice it all day,  
family movie night or game night,  
eat breakfast food for dinner,  
go to confession and then ice cream,  
clean house in honor of St. Martha...

Check the enclosed calendar for lots more suggestions!  
Some are fun, some spiritual,  
but all will help you celebrate the ordinary times of our lives  
together,  
the times we sometimes overlook and think are boring!

Happy Summer everyone! Lucy

## Mass Intentions

### St. Denis

Sat. June 29	5:30 pm	For injured or killed in service to USA
Sun. June 30	7:30 am	For injured or killed in service to USA
	9:30 am	For injured or killed in service to USA
	11:30 am	For injured or killed in service to USA
Mon. July 1	8:00 am	For our Canadian brothers & sisters
Tue. July 2	8:00 am	In gratitude
Wed. July 3	8:00 am	For those who follow Jesus
Thurs. July 4	8:00 am	For those seeking independence
Fri. June 5	8:00 am	For peacemakers

### Our Lady Of The Wayside

Sat. June 29	4:30 pm	For injured or those killed in service to the USA
Sun. June 30	9:30 am	For injured or those killed In service to the USA

## In your charity, please pray for...

Judy Lucier, Maria da Ponte, Sarah Lucas, Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Rosa Sharif, Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Janice Varell, Anselmo Briones

## Faith Formation News

### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

The Faith Formation calendar and registration form are now on our parish website [www.stdenisparish.org](http://www.stdenisparish.org) Please take some time this summer to check it out and register your children for our programs and classes. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Sunday classes will gather at 9:15am instead of 9:30am to give the children more time in class and give parents more time in church! Also, we're planning a **FAMILY RETREAT DAY** on September 21 which will include Mass, dinner and a movie night! More details to come!



### LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

On most Sundays during the summer, we invite the children to join us during the 9:30am Mass at St. Denis for the Liturgy of the Word. We'll share the Gospel, talk about the message God is giving us, and discuss ways we can live it out in our daily lives. All children are welcome!

## Catechists Needed & Wanted !

We are always looking for energetic, faith-filled people willing to share that faith with others, to teach in our faith formation programs. All our programs meet on Sundays during the school year. We provide all the materials, training and children! You supply your time, talent and faith! If you are interested, please contact Lucy Soltau anytime at [lsoltau@stdenisparish.org](mailto:lsoltau@stdenisparish.org)

### Knit & Pray

It's time to get your knitting and crochet materials out again. Please join us this Monday June 24th in the St. Denis Parish Hall Library from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Other dates are July 22nd, and August 26th.



### 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](mailto: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 May, 2019	\$401,921.00
Monthly Goal- May 2019	\$36,000.00
May 2019 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$40,603.00

### 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](http://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

## Summer Donations For St. Vincent de Paul

The Outreach Committee is collecting sunscreen, hats, sunglasses, and water bottles for the clients of St Vincent de Paul for the next 3 weeks. Please put all donations in the barrels in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.



## Mass Rides Program

“The Outreach Committee is looking for parishioners who would like to volunteer for our Mass Rides program. Let us know if you’re available to bring someone to mass. Please send your contact information and mass preference ( St. Denis 5:30, 7:30, 9:30 or 11:30) or (OLW 4:30 or 9:30,) to Barbara Mason ([babs412@yahoo.com](mailto:babs412@yahoo.com) or 650-854-2526.

We Thank you!



## Summer Retreat at Vallombrosa

**Beating Back The Gates Of Hell**– Weekend retreat with Bishop Robert Christian July 26-28.

Are you discouraged and heartbroken about the scandals rocking our Church? Find out how a weak church strengthens saints and sinner with a 3 day retreat at Vallombrosa Retreat Center. Bishop Christian, rector of St. Patrick Seminary will confront the realities of sin in the church and show how we can still live Jesus’s victory today.

Full weekend rates and commuter rates for each day are available at [www.vallombrosa.org](http://www.vallombrosa.org) or call 650 325-5614.

