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

Ash Wednesday is February 14th. See the back of the bulletin for mass times.

Take a copy of the Little Black Book home with you for Lent.

February 11th, 2018  6th Sunday in ordinary time

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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
The 2018 Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, with Easter Sunday on April 1.

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to sacrifice self-control through fasting. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446). USCCB

The Season of Love

How did Lent arrive so quickly? This year we will be combining Valentine’s Day, February 14th, with Ash Wednesday, so maybe a good way to approach Lent 2018 is to focus on love. In Sunday’s Gospel we hear about the loving act of Jesus, who “moved with pity,” touches the outcast leper and cures him. Jesus performs this miracle in secret, but despite Jesus’ request for secrecy, the man cannot contain himself, and Jesus’ kindness becomes problematic, inhibiting him from entering towns openly.

This is where Scripture really does ring true to life, because sometimes, with the best of intentions, our kind actions can make our lives more difficult. “If I take my elderly neighbor to the store, she might grow to expect it;” “If I call my friend going through a divorce, I’ll never get off the phone;” “If I donate to this charity, I'll end up on their mailing list;” these are voices and choices that this Lenten season may be calling us to overcome.

Forgoing the possibility of inconvenience and irritation is a Lenten challenge that calls each of us to reach out in love, so if you should see should see one of those little pink candy hearts that say “Be mine” let us remember Who is giving us that invitation.

Dede Waters-Masters

Mass Intentions

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In your charity, please pray for...

Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Sandy Rock, Mila Wright, Rosa Sharif, Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Janet Sue Cox, Janice Varell

The List has been updated. Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.
MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP!! HONOLULU, HI
JUNE 25 THRU JUNE 29, 2018

That’s right! We’re taking current 6th, 7th, and 8th graders on a 5 day mission trip to Hawaii.

The sponsoring organization is the Center for Ministry Development www.cmdnet.org

We’ll be staying at a local retreat center and working on service projects selected for us by the local diocese. The cost is $290 per person (not including transportation).

Permission forms and $100 deposit are due February 25.

Space is limited! First come, first served!

To sign up, contact Lucy at lsoltau@stdenisparish.org for more information.

CRS RICE BOWL

CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services’ Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent, and hear stories from our brothers and sisters in need worldwide. We devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform our relationship with God and neighbor. You will find Rice Bowls near the bulletins beginning February 4. You may bring your filled Rice Bowls to church anytime during Holy Week and the Easter season. Just put them in the collection basket or in the box in the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

ONLINE GIVING WITH WESHARE

New to online Egiving? Follow the link in our parish website to create a new account. If you gave online through ParishPay, the work of transferring your account to WeShare is done. Go to the parish website and click on the WeShare online giving link. Follow the instructions to verify your existing account.
Upcoming Events

February 11th    Our Lady of the Wayside fellowship & donuts  today after 9:30am mass
February 11th    Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast & Lenten Family Workshop
                   10:30am in the St. Denis Parish Hall.
February 14th    Ash Wednesday Mass Times:  8:00am mass at St. Denis,
                   12 noon mass at St. Denis, followed by Soup lunch in the hall,
                   6pm mass at St. Denis.
February 16th    Stations of the Cross every Friday (During Lent) after the 8:00am
                   Mass with refreshments in the St. Denis Parish Hall afterwards.
March 20th       Lenten Retreat at St. Denis with Sister Sharon McMillan
                   At 9:30am with mass and lunch to follow.

Parish Outreach Committee Update

Update St. Denis/OLW Outreach 2017 Plan:
In 2017 we asked you to support a refugee family in need. You responded with your hearts. Thanks in large part to you the members of the Azimi family from Afghanistan are well on their way to becoming productive members of our society. They are very grateful for everything you have done for them. Your generous spirit went on after Easter to produce more good fruit for another family of refugees from Congo. This family continues to struggle with challenges of transition, but a small interfaith group continues to work with them. A Swahili-speaking volunteer helps with communication. The faith-based group raises money for rent whenever needed, provides ESL courses for the adults, and transportation to and from many doctor appointments. Now we will move into our 2018 Plan.

St Denis/OLW Outreach Plan 2018 Plan:
As a Lenten Outreach project we have decided to focus on homeless families in our local communities through the Home and Help organization. This group provides homeless families by providing shelter and meals. Homeless families rotate weekly to churches in our area where they are housed and fed for one week. You can participate in two different ways: 1.) Financial support by contacting homeandhope.net. 2.) Volunteering to help provide a meal at a local church one evening during Lent. If you are interested in helping with this meal please contact Pat Mach at 415-640-0245. Thank you.