

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

**See back of bulletin for
Holy Week Schedule**



April 14th, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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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,

On this Palm Sunday, we enter the holiest week of not only this time of the year, but also our very lives. We are called to be fully immersed in the life of Christ as he undergoes and experiences his Passion. Do we dare join Christ? If so, then this week we are urged to participate in the beautiful masses of this week and especially the beautiful liturgies of the Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. In the mass of Holy Thursday, we recall that Jesus instituted the Eucharist during his last supper with his disciples, the very mass we celebrate every day of the year, and the profound example of service, the washing of the feet.

On Good Friday, if we are courageous enough, we delve into and are united to Christ's tremendous suffering and agonizing death on the cross. Only by traveling with Jesus' way of the cross do we experience for ourselves his unconditional love for all humanity.

The Easter Vigil is the apex of our faith. At last, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. He is risen. He is alive. He is with us always and forever. We travel in this world not alone, but with Jesus at our side. He is with all his people all the time. The resurrection of Jesus makes it possible for him to do this because he has a glorified body. A glorified body has no restrictions or limitations and is not subject to the laws of time and space.

Come be with Christ this week. Be at his side as he is with you. He longs for us to be there when he is nailed to the cross, when he is crucified and when he dies and is laid in the tomb. Let us renew our tradition and customs of our faith.

God bless, Fr. Paul

We Believe

While Holy Week calls us to remember, it also calls us to a mindfulness of the present.

Jesus' last hours as a free man were spent in prayer in a garden, and as we look to the hope and promise of the Resurrection, an event meant for each one of us, we can again turn to the Spring garden as a means of really looking within ourselves and asking, "How do I personally experience the Resurrection of Christ?" . "Under a sky the color of pea soup she is looking at her work growing away there actively, thickly like grapevines or pole beans as things grow in the real world, slowly enough. If you tend them properly, if you mulch, if you water, if you provide birds that eat insects a home and winter food, if the sun shines and you pick off caterpillars, if the praying mantis comes and the ladybugs and the bees, then the plants flourish, but at their own internal clock. Connections are made slowly, sometimes they grow underground. You cannot tell always by looking what is happening. More than half the tree is spread out in the soil under your feet. Penetrate quietly as the earthworm that blows no trumpet. Fight persistently as the creeper that brings down the tree. Spread like the squash plant that overruns the garden. Gnaw in the dark and use the sun to make sugar. Weave real connections, create real nodes, build real houses. Live a life you can endure: Make love that is loving.

Keep tangling and interweaving and taking more in, a thicket and bramble wilderness to the outside but to us interconnected with rabbit runs and burrows and lairs.

Live as if you liked yourself, and it may happen: reach out, keep reaching out, keep bringing in.

This is how we are going to live for a long time: not always, for every gardener knows that after the digging, after the planting, after the long season of tending and growth, the harvest comes." —Marge Piercy

Dede Waters-Masters

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat. Apr. 13	5:30 pm	Christian unity
Sun. Apr. 14	7:30 am	James Mercer (+)
	9:30am	Jonathan Cruz Bogan (+)
	11:30am	Those with chronic illness
Mon. Apr. 15	8:00 am	For those that are unemployed
Tue. Apr. 16	8:00 am	All who follow Jesus
Wed. Apr. 17	8:00 am	In gratitude for blessings
Thurs. Apr.18	8:00 am	NO MASS
Fri. Apr. 19	8:00 am	NO MASS

Our Lady Of The Wayside

Sat. Apr. 13	4:30 pm	Christian Unity
Sun. Apr. 14	9:30 am	Our Lady of the Wayside parishioners

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

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.

CONFIRMATION CLASS RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Sunday, April 28 at 5:30pm in St. Denis church.

All confirmation candidates are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for celebrating Confirmation in May. After the service there will be a make-up class for those who were not able to come to our last class on March 31.



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

Easter Lilies for the Alter

If you would like to remember a loved one at Easter you can give a \$10 donation by cash or check (memo box Easter Lily for St. Denis or OLW) and we will purchase and tag an Easter lily in your loved one's name. Some folks like to remember a few people with their Lily and we will be happy to tag them any way you want. Kindly give to us by this Thursday, April 18th. For further info contact Dede at 854-5976 press 4.



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

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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)	\$98,930.00

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>

