

# 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: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am  
Monday-Friday: 8:00am

**Our Lady of the Wayside Church**  
Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil)  
Sunday: 9:30 am (temporarily  
cancelled)

**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**  
**Peter's Pence (Holy Father)**

**And whoever gives only a cup of cold water  
to one of these little ones to drink because  
the little one is a disciple-amen, I say to  
you, he will surely not lose his reward.**

**Matthew 10:42**



**June 28, 2020 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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2250 Avy Avenue • Menlo Park

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## Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. Once again our understanding of the Gospel is strengthened by considering the context in which it was written and the perspective of Matthew's audience.

The conditions of discipleship outlined in Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth—choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division to their family.

Matthew also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship, yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples have also welcomed him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love. Loyola Press "Sunday Connection"

## We Believe

In today's first reading, we find a woman who offers food and lodging to the holy man, Elisha. This affluent woman translates her hospitable thoughts into practical generosity. In the second reading, Paul reminds us that as baptized believers, we have an unwavering commitment to follow Christ. Today's Gospel reminds us that in our discipleship we are truly united to Christ, and thereby to God.

As followers of Christ we are called to be channels of divine blessing to others. With the experiences of the past months, perhaps some of us have grown tired of the call to reach out or even the call to become better informed of the problems and needs that exist in our community, our country, and our world. As believers we can't "disinfect" ourselves from the realities of marginalization and suffering.

As Independence Day approaches, some people may examine the relationship between patriotism and following Christ. We can all express our gratitude to God for living in a country dedicated to freedom and justice, but our professed belief in Christ requires that we have an ongoing commitment to bringing those same human rights and opportunities to all Americans.

As we navigate the challenges of supporting our nation and living out our faith, the means is just as important as the end. Modeling kindness and respect to those with whom we vehemently disagree, motivating ourselves to care for others besides our immediate circle, and trying to really listen to the stories of marginalization are very difficult challenges, compounded by the Corona-19 virus. Seeking improvement should not be confused with being unpatriotic, but using violence to make a point is unchristian. As believers, our dedicated faithfulness to the example of Christ is the only reliable way.

Dede Waters-Masters

## Mass Intentions

### St. Denis

Sat. June 27 5:30 pm For the end of Covid-19  
 Sun. June 28 7:30 am Wilson Sharif (+)  
 9:30 am Patrick Cimprich (+)  
 11:30 am End of Covid-19  
 Mon. June 29 8:00 am Christian unity  
 Tues. June 30 8:00 am St. Denis & Our Lady  
 of the Wayside parishioners  
 Wed. July 1 8:00 am Christian unity  
 Thur. July 2 11:30 am For doctors and nurses  
 Fri. June 3 11:30 am For increased faith



### Our Lady of the Wayside

Sat. June 27 4:30 pm For the end of Covid-19

In your charity, please pray for...

Betty O'Rourke, T.J. Pryor, J.M., G.G., Janice Varvelle, Teresa Bautista, Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Rosa Sharif, John Hunter, Anselmo Briones, Grace Kohen [Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.](#)

## To Our Parishioners

Now that public Masses have resumed in a limited way, we have begun scheduling First Communion celebrations. First Communion families can choose any scheduled weekend Mass starting June 21. Only 2 families per Mass will be scheduled and one row for each family will be reserved. Please join them in prayer!

We are still waiting to hear about rescheduling our Confirmation celebration for our young people. The Archbishop's office is working on it and will let us know soon.

The adults who have been preparing to celebrate their Sacraments of Initiation will also be rescheduled sometime soon! So much to celebrate, but with caution and little by little! Please keep them in your prayers.



## Question Of The Week

**What cross are you carrying?  
How can Jesus help you carry it?**

## Prayer During Spiritual Communion

"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there,  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen!"



## Outreach Ways To Help

If you are interested in helping with Outreach efforts we have the following opportunities available.

St. Francis Center needs groceries. Peanut butter, cooking oil, cans of corn, bags of beans, rice, and tuna. You can drop these items off in the barrels that are outside of St. Denis Church.

July 12th we will be providing a meal for 120 clients at Maple Street.

You can donate for the various charities that we give to which are St. Francis Center, St. Anthony's, Maple Street Shelter, St. Catherine Center, and Catholic Worker House by dropping off or mailing a check made out to St. Denis Parish with 5th Sunday collections in the memo or you may go to our website [stdenisparish.org](http://stdenisparish.org) and go to WeShare for egiving, choosing 5th Sunday collections for a one time donation or monthly donations. Thank you for your generosity.



## Bulletin Deadline

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deadline for bulletin articles is Tuesday before noon, before the weekend of publication. All announcements during Mass are to be scripted and approved by Dede prior to Masses. Contact her at [dedewm@pacbell.net](mailto:dedewm@pacbell.net)

NOTE: Announcement may not appear until the next bulletin due to space



## Stewardship

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (Estimated goal)	\$459,000.00
July 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020	\$391,747.00
Monthly Goal- May 2020	\$45,000.00
May 2020 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$41,301.00
Annual Appeal 2020 Goal	\$107,655.00
Annual Appeal 2020 Actual	\$85,325.00

## 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 800 950-9952.

## Welcome Back!

We welcome you back to our churches for in-person Masses.

There are a few other things you should know before you come:

If you are at risk, either by age or health concerns, or if you are not feeling well, please do not attend. The archbishop has extended dispensation from Sunday obligation.

Everyone over the age of 3 should wear a face covering and use the hand-sanitizers at the entrances.

Please maintain 6 feet physical distancing by following the marks on the floor, pews and refrain from singing as tiny droplets can spread even through masks per California public health and San Mateo County guidelines, however feel free to softly hum. To keep these distances, we will need to limit the number of people inside the church. At St. Denis, there will be extra seating on the patio and wifi available in the parking lot.

We will continue to live-stream the Mass Monday thru Friday at 8:00am and Sunday at 9:30am. It will be available on our parish website [www.stdenisparish.org](http://www.stdenisparish.org) immediately following the Mass.

Communion will be distributed after the dismissal in the church and on the patio.

We ask that everyone leave the parish grounds immediately after receiving communion.

We are excitedly looking forward to seeing you again and being able to worship face to face, in community, with the Sacrament. Thank you for your faithfulness and prayers during this unusual time.

## Saints & Holy People

8 Black Saints & Holy People of God Every Catholic Should Know, With Prayers for Intercession |

<https://churchpop.com/2020/06/19/8-black-saints-holy-people-of-god-every-catholic-should-know-with-prayers-for-their-intercession/>



## Supporting Your Parish During These Difficult Times

Please continue to financially support your parish so that we can continue to provide the ministries that everyone relies on. You may mail your donations to the parish office, or you may give online through WeShare. Go to the parish website, [stdenisparish.org](http://stdenisparish.org) to find the links to set up your donation or you may call WeShare at 800 950-9952, press 3, then press 2 or email [weshare@4lpi.com](mailto:weshare@4lpi.com). We thank you for your support!

