

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

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

*"Peace be with you." And when he had said this he
breathed on them saying "Receive the Holy Spirit..."*
John 20:19-23



May 23rd, 2021 Pentecost Sunday

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

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

Pastor's Corner

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

On this Pentecost Sunday, we not only celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples, but also the birth of the Church. Jesus promised that He would give His disciples the Advocate, the Holy Spirit to be with them always, and so He did. The Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to go forth from the locked room into the whole world to emphatically proclaim Jesus is risen. Those who believed in Christ Jesus were baptized. Countless individuals from all nations would become members of the Body of Christ. And so the Church was formed.

We have come to realize and to believe on this Pentecost Sunday that God desires to save all peoples for we are all made in His image and likeness. Each and every one of us is worth being saved even the most wretched of us. Jesus came not to condemn the world, but to save it and to give all the fullness of His life. Everyone is invited into the kingdom of God, and there is always room at the table of the Lord for those who hunger and thirst for Him.

How blessed we are to be sons and daughters of God. We too have come to believe in all that Jesus did for us. For He suffered, died and rose from the dead to give us eternal life. We have everlasting life in the risen Lord. Let us rejoice and be glad for we are saved.

God bless, Fr. Paul

We Believe

This week we remember the divine empowerment bestowed on the first followers of Jesus. The Holy Spirit, embodying the life force of all creation, brought the energy and insight needed for the Apostles to go forth and spread the Good News as exemplified by the life, death, and Resurrection.

We can embrace the meaning of Pentecost, considered the birthday of the Church, by allowing the Holy Spirit to work in us right now, bringing us to new understanding and an invigorated sense of Christian witness in the real lives in which we live. Choosing to actively live our faith beyond recalling what has happened in the past acknowledges God's participation in our lives and the Holy Spirit's power to move us toward positive renewal and necessary change, both individually and collectively as Catholics.

A Prayer for Pentecost

By Sr. Joan Chittister

May the gifts of the Holy Spirit bring fire to the earth

So that the presence of God maybe seen in a new light,

In new places, in new ways.

May our own hearts burst into flame so that no obstacle,

No matter how great, ever obstructs the message

Of the God within each of us.

May we come to trust the Word of God in our heart,

To speak it with courage, to follow it faithfully,

And to fan it to flame in others...

Amen

Dede Waters Masters

Mass Intentions

St. Denis Church

Sat. May. 22	5:30pm	Betty O'Rourke (+)
Sun. May. 23	7:30 am	Peace in the Middle East
	9:30 am	Ted Shelton living)
	11:30 am	Jack Sullivan (+)
Mon. May. 24	8:00am	Peace in the Middle East
Tues. May. 25	8:00 am	Communion Service
Wed. May. 26	8:00 am	Frank Spillane (+)
Thurs. May. 27	8:00 am	Peace in the Middle East
Fri. May. 28	8:00 am	For graduates



Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Sat. May 22 4:30pm Bill Kerwin (+)

Sun. May 23 9:30am Mass temporarily cancelled

In your charity, please pray for...

T.J. Pryor, J.M., G.G., Janice Varvelle, 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.

Faith Formation News

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

During 9:30am Sunday Masses all Summer!
All school aged children are invited to join Lucy and Dede in the parish garden to read and share the Sunday readings during the first part of the Mass. Then we return to the church at the offertory.



Spiritual Book Group

On May 19, we'll begin our discussions of *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship* by Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ. Fr. Boyle founded Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles to offer young men coming out of prison an opportunity for their first jobs. Fr. Boyle uses his heartwarming stories of the Homeboys to address the negativity in our present culture and to invite us all to recognize both our biases and our shared brotherhood/ sisterhood.

Come join our discussions of the book and how these issues touch our lives. We read one chapter a week and meet Wednesday mornings on Zoom at 10:00 am. Please contact Tereza McNamee for more info. 650-323-6859. We happily offer Zoom orientation if needed.

Question Of The Week

Am I using the gifts of the Holy Spirit to their fullest?
Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Courage,
Reverence, Right Judgement, Awe and Wonder.
Which gifts do I need to use more often?

Cathedral Golden Jubilee Lectures

Cathedral Golden Jubilee "50 Years of Faith and Gratitude" Lecture Series-Historical Background and Belief in Saint Mary's Assumption

Father Dorian Llywelyn S.J., Speaker

Sunday, May 30, 2021 12:30 – 2:30 pm

Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption

1111 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

For more information, contact Deacon R. Christoph Sandoval Rcs7777@comcast.net

Free Parking, Free Will Donations Appreciated, Limited Seating.

Please reply with your reservation to Rcs7777@comcast.net

Fr. Dorian Llywelyn is the President of the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies (IACS) at the University of Southern California and an active member of the Mariological Society of America. He also served as Executive Director of the Ignatian Center since August 2016 at Santa Clara University. Fr. Llywelyn has written several books and scholarly articles on the intersection of faith and culture. His research interests focus on the place of land and national identity in the spirituality of peoples, and the intersection of devotion to the Virgin Mary with politics and culture.

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

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

limitations. Thank You!



Stewardship

July 1, 2020 to June 30th, 2021 (Estimated Goal)	\$410,000.00
July 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021	\$336,298.00
April 2021 Sunday Offertory Collections (including Easter)	\$64,844.00
Annual Appeal 2021 Goal \$98,096	\$98,096.00
Annual Appeal 2021 Actual	\$98,096.00

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.

Welcome Back To Masses Inside Church

As we welcome you back to Mass inside of church here are a few reminders:

Wear a face mask, covering your nose and mouth at all times. Practice physical distancing by staying 6 feet apart by following the marks and taped areas on the floor and pews. Use the hand-sanitizers that are provided.

We will continue to live-stream the Mass Monday thru Fridays at 8:00am and Sunday at 9:30am. on Facebook. It will be available on our website www.stdenisparish.org immediately following mass.



Volunteers Needed At St. Pius Church For Grief Care Program

St. Pius Church and parishes in that area are beginning to search for new volunteers for their grief care programs. A training will hopefully follow in late May 2021. A date will be posted and details of the training will be given to those responding. All parishes in the three counties are invited to identify and invite people to be trained to respond to those in grief regardless of the outreach program or structure you are finding useful within your parish.

Contact Sr. Toni Lynn, to receive information on the training. tlgallagher@sistersofm...



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 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. We thank you for your support!

