

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 (will resume July 4)

Confession Times:

Saturday: 4:00 pm, Our Lady of the
Wayside
Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. Denis

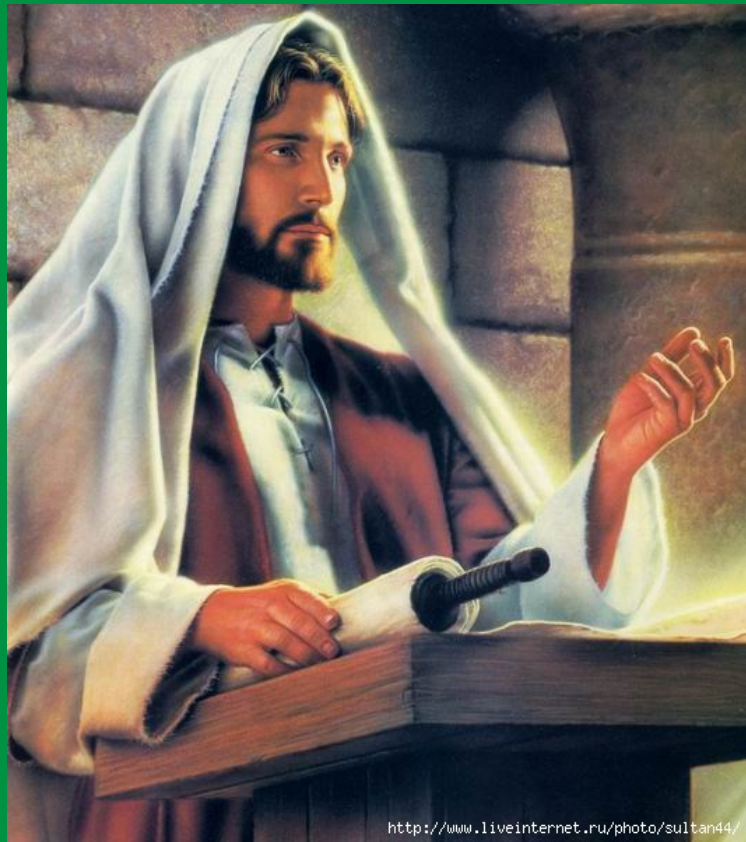
Office Hours

M-F, 9:00 am—2:00 pm

**The Parish Office is closed
Monday, July 5th in
observance of
Independence Day**

*"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place
and among his own and in his own house."*

Mark 6:1-6



<http://www.liveinternet.ru/photo/sultan44/>

July 4th, 2021 14th 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

Gospel Reading

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

I want to give you an update regarding my recent appointment with the oncologist. The doctor mentioned that I have stage 3B colon cancer. 3 of my lymph nodes have cancer. The chemotherapy that I will need entails 3 months of chemotherapy treatments every 3 weeks. And IV and pills will be administered to me.

There will be some side effects which include sensitivity to cold, numbness and tingling of fingers and toes, low immune system and some others. Apparently, these side effects should go away after treatment God willing. I will see how I respond with the first treatment. I may or may not continue with chemotherapy given the side effects.

If I understood correctly, there is a 40% chance of the cancer coming back without chemotherapy and a 15% chance of cancer coming back with chemotherapy. Bottom line, there is always a chance of cancer coming back. In the end, it is all in God's providential plan. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

God bless, Fr. Paul

We Believe

In this week's gospel Jesus returns to his home town with his disciples. On the Sabbath, Jesus astonishes the crowd with his insight into the Scriptures, causing those who grew up with this man to wonder how this carpenter's son had such an ability to impart God's teachings in such a meaningful way.

Jesus' hometown folk found it difficult to see who Jesus had become. They couldn't look past his meager beginnings. Their vision of Jesus' persona was limited by their own memories, experience, and conditioned expectations.

Yet Jesus' disciples saw beyond Jesus' humble beginnings. They allowed themselves to go beyond limited expectation into divine possibility. Jesus invited them into a bigger vision of compassion, forgiveness, and love.

Today's gospel also reminds us to ask ourselves who we really are in the sight of our true selves and in the sight of God. Each of us is called to see through the shadow and disguise of others' opinions (and sometimes our very own) to find that person created in the image and likeness of God.

How do we find our true selves? It is a journey of discovery that exposes who we really are when all that is superficial dies when we physically die. What will be left? The answer is who we really are and as believers we are called to make that essential and profound unveiling along the way.

Dede Waters-Masters

Mass Intentions

St. Denis Church

Sat. July 3	5:30pm	National unity
Sun. July 4	7:30 am	National unity
	9:30 am	Fr. Paul O'Dell (living)
	11:30 am	National unity
Mon. July 5	8:00am	Carol Vonder Linden (living)
Tues. July 6	8:00 am	For our youth
Wed. July 7	8:00 am	Betty O'Rourke (+)
Thu. July 8	8:00 am	Fr. Paul O'Dell (living)
Fri. July 9	8:00 am	Safety to travelers



Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Sat. July 3 4:30pm Bill Kerwin (+)

Sun. July 4 9:30am In gratitude

Ann Kirkbride, long time St. Denis parishioner went to God. Funeral Mass will be at St. Denis Church on July 9th at 10:00am with Rosary starting at 9:30am.

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 Kohan, John Cummins, Sandy McGinley **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.



FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR 2021-2022

The Faith Formation schedule for the next school year, and updated registration form are now on the parish website at www.stdenisparish.org. We are planning for in-person classes on Sunday mornings beginning in September. Register now! Contact Lucy Soltau at lsoltau@stdenisparish.org for more information.

Question Of The Week

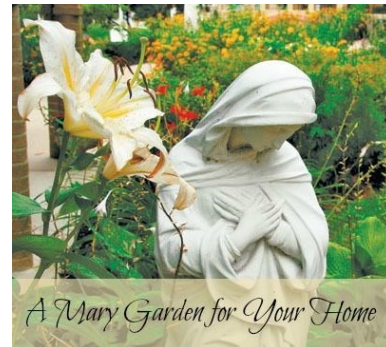
Sometimes, when I think I know what God wants of me, I stop listening to what God is really saying!

I think I know better than God.

Can I stop and really listen, without assuming that I already know?

Build A Mary Garden

Prayer gardens allow a person time in solitude to contemplate, pray, & meditate by reflecting on the sacred space that can include specific flowers, or statues. Mary gardens include flowers named after Our Lady, such as roses, lilies, marigolds, Our Lady's Tears, among other varieties. If you have space in your yard, take time this summer to make this a family endeavor of dedicating to Mary.



Online Giving

Summer is here and many people will spend time enjoying vacations. Whether you're planning to visit the beach or camp in the mountains, don't forget about St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside Churches. The best way to maintain your financial support is to set up a recurring gift. It's fast, easy, and convenient. Once you sign up, you'll never need to think about it again. A link to our online giving site can be found on our website stdenisparish.org. 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

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 May 31st, 2021 (Easter Included)	\$373,701.00
May 2021 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$37,403.00
Annual Appeal 2021 Goal \$98,096	\$98,096.00
Annual Appeal 2021 Actual	\$98,096.00

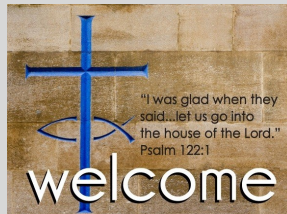
Donation Corner

"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.

Covid Update As of June 15, 2021

In response to California's lifting of most Covid-19 restrictions, the S.F. Archdiocese has announced updates to safety protocols. Many safety precautions will remain in place. Including parishioners, guests, & musicians to wear a mask during Mass indoors. If you are seated outside you do not need to wear a mask. Social distancing is reduced to three feet between households. Doors and windows will remain open for ventilation. Hand sanitizers are available. The Sign of Peace is to be exchanged by waving or bowing to those near them. If you are sick we ask that you stay home. Sunday 9:30am mass & weekday masses will continue to be livestreamed, & then on our Facebook page. We thank you as we continue to keep our community safe.



Senior Lunch Returns!

A Communion Service & Senior BBQ Lunch will be held in the St. Denis Garden for all vaccinated seniors & their vaccinated guests on Thursday July 15th at noon. If you have any questions contact Dede at dedewm@pacbell.net



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!

