

## SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendar for the St. Denis Church Installation Mass & Reception for our new Pastor, Fr. Paul O'Dell for Sunday, October 25th at the 11:30 am Mass. There will be no Religious Ed. classes that day so we can ALL come to this Parish celebration.



## OLW Welcomes Father Paul

Please join us in making our new Pastor feel at home. Appetizers and libations will be served after 4:30 Mass September 19th, at OLW. All are Welcome!



## Career Clothes Needed

We'll be collecting clothes for Maple Street and Haven House's Career Fair to be held at the end of September. We're looking for clothes that their clients can wear when going out on interviews and can continue to wear when they get the job !! These include:

- Black or dark colored slacks
- Khaki slacks
- White shirts/blouses
- Polo shirts
- Business-casual blouses
- Dark socks



If you have things in your closet that you just don't know what to do with this is a great opportunity to help somebody help themselves. The barrel will be located in the back of the Church.

## Have Information for the Bulletin?

If you have information that you would like to be placed in the bulletin, we ask that all of the information be submitted to us the Tuesday before by noon. Thank you.



## Adult Bible Class

We will start up the classes again on Sunday October 4th. As before there will be six classes in this series. Class starts around 10 minutes after 9:30 am Mass. We generally meet in the library. Everyone is invited to come and join the group. There is no preparation required. If you need more information on any part of the class (subject matter, length of class, participation) Contact John Lippert at 650 854-3278.

# Saint Denis Parish

*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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## MassTimes

**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



September 20th, 2015 | 25th Sunday of Ordinary

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Our Lady of the Wayside Church  
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Pastor's Corner	What We Believe
<p>Dear Parishioners,</p> <p>I'm sure we are familiar with the saying, "Keeping up with the Jones." What is the reason or motivation for us in "Keeping up with Jones?" The more the Jones have the more we want, and the more we want to out do them. Could jealousy and envy be the cause of keeping up with the Jones?</p> <p>Jealousy and envy are motifs that run throughout the Sacred Scriptures. In light of faith, they cause us to do despicable things to others. In the Old Testament, Cain killed Abel because of jealousy and envy. In his Letter, St. James mentions that jealousy and envy are behind disorder, war, conflict and foul practice. As disciples of Jesus, how do we live free of jealousy and envy?</p> <p>A grateful heart is a happy heart filled with the Lord's peace. Think not of what you do not have, but what you do have. We have so much to be grateful for, specially these days. Ten thousand people have been devastated by the Northern California wildfires. Thousands of Syrians have had to flee from their homes and country leaving everything they own behind. An uncertain future is what lies ahead of them. How blessed we are here in Menlo Park. We have more than enough compared to others. Let us always thank God for our many blessings, and let us pray for those who need our prayers.</p>	<p><b>The Entrance Ritual</b></p> <p>We all have personal rituals. For the last 30 odd years or so no matter what I am doing, I have a Saturday night ritual of laying out my "Church" clothes for the next day. It is a habit I acquired when I had to get my kids up and going and manage to get to Religious Ed. on time! Today this little exercise still reminds me that Sunday is "Church" day. It is a simple ritual that reminds me that Mass is a special event that I share with my faith community.</p> <p>That is exactly how the Entrance Procession at Mass started over 1700 years ago and why it was restored with emphasis in recent years. The clothes and liturgical items are prepared, the people, priest, and ministers are gathered, the book of Scriptures is in hand: this is the visual expression of all of us uniting in anticipation for Mass in response to God's loving invitation. Ideally, the Entrance and all the preparations leading up to it mark a special time and space for us to worship together. Someone may fumble to find the right page for the hymn, a baby might cry out, a minister might trip, or you might be in the middle of a little conversation in the pews, but the Eucharistic Celebration is about to begin and so <i>together</i> we stand and sing! Dede Waters-Masters</p>

**Mass Intentions**

<u>St. Denis</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Wayside</u>
<b>Sat. 09/19</b> 5:30pm The St. Denis Community	4:30pm Catherine Lawrence (+)
<b>Sun. 9/20</b> 7:30am Irene Goodwin (+) (The Hagman Family) 9:30am Marilyn Henriksen (+) (Margery Posthauer) 11:30am Deacon Mike Murphy (+) The Sacred Heart Families of St. Denis Church	9:30am The OLW Community
<b>Mon. 9/21</b> 8:00am The St Denis Community	
<b>Tue. 9/22</b> 8:00am The St Denis Community	
<b>Wed. 9/23</b> 8:00am Lino Imperial (+) (Marissa Imperial)	
<b>Thu. 9/24</b> 8:00am	
<b>Fri. 9/25</b> 8:00am	

**In your charity, please pray for...**

Bob Shaw, Jose Diaz, Carol Armstrong, Baby Stella Arde, Agnes Babcock, Bob Bark, Louise Brent, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Lynn Cintron, Sandra Dailey, Gertrude DeZelaya, Bob Ellis, Amelia Elsbree, Michael Fil, Susan Fil, Ruben Fuentes, Johnny Gentry, Lauren Goode, Michael Ho, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Matthew Lear, Phyllis Lucas, Luke Mars, Ann Martin, Sheri Martin, Dorothy Meyers, Dennis Miller, Rozeh Nikli, Lorraine O'Connor, Lorie Ortega, Jim Rock, Robert Roger, Raymond Shaaf Sr., Kathy Schoendorf, Marie Scott, Dorothy Skala, Doug Ury, Walter Weber, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli, and William and Jean Zonner. **NAMES WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR A MONTH UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.**

Alzheimer's and Dementia Talk	Need a Ride to Mass?
<p>Connie Vincent, a member of St. Denis and author of Not Going Gently, offers a fresh look at Alzheimer's and dementia from both personal and professional vantage points—and provides a plan for prevention. We have invited Connie to share her expertise and experience with us on Sunday, September 27, at 12:30 pm. We will begin with lunch followed by her talk. We will have signups for this parish event during the month of September but mark your calendar now. Don't forget "ha ha !" For more information contact Dede Waters-Maters, dedewm@pacbell.net.</p>	<p>Do you need a ride to Mass? The St. Denis Outreach Committee is here to help those who are unable to get to Mass but need a ride. For more information please call Maritza Longland at (650) 291-0657.</p> 

Religious Education	Bake Sale
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES begin NEXT SUNDAY!!**  
**Schedule:**  
 PreK thru 5th grade meets at 9:30 am Sundays,  
 6th-7th grade meets at 10:30 am Sundays,  
 8th grade (Confirmation) meets at 5:30 pm Sundays.

Fees: \$125 for first child, \$75 for each additional child, \$75 for each Sacramental program.


**ALL Classes will begin September 27!**  
**Contact Lucy Soltau for more information: 650 854-1081 or [lsoltau@stdenisparish.org](mailto:lsoltau@stdenisparish.org)**

**CATECHISTS NEEDED!**  
 We are in need of faith-filled, spirit-filled, energetic folks to share the faith with our children! We could use help with any age group, from Kindergarten to 8th grade. See above for schedule. No experience needed. We supply the materials, training and children; you bring your faith! If you are interested at all, please contact Lucy Soltau at 650 854-1081 or [lsoltau@stdenisparish.org](mailto:lsoltau@stdenisparish.org)

**CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING**  
 Please join your child for our first night, Sunday, September 27th with Mass at 5:30 pm and a light dinner. Then your children will have class while parents meet with Lucy Soltau for an information meeting. You'll find out about the sacraments, requirements, schedules and celebrations. Hope you can all join us!

Our Annual Bake Sale will be held on Sunday, October 11th after the 9:30 am Mass. The money raised will help fund St Anthony's Padua Dining Room's kitchen renovation. St. Anthony's Dining Room helps to answer the needs of its local community by providing hot nourishing meals Monday thru Saturday year round to all who come seeking a meal and a safe place to eat.

We will have sign up sheets for baked goods donations after Mass next Sunday.



**Stewardship Report**

September 12/13, 2015			September 13/14, 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$3,677.00	\$3,121.88	St. Denis	\$3,603.00	\$2,612.86
OLW	\$2,390.00	\$570.00	OLW	\$1,127.00	\$539.50
<b>Total: \$9,758.88</b>			<b>Total: \$7,882.36</b>		
Monthly Total, August 2015			Monthly Total, August 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$14,873.00	\$12,487.50	St. Denis	\$17,661.00	\$10,451.42.00
OLW	\$4,547.00	\$2,280.00	OLW	\$5,560.00	\$2,156.60
<b>Total: \$34,187.50</b>			<b>Total: \$35,829.02</b>		