

St. Denis Parish

St. Denis Church
2250 Avy Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:30pm
Sunday – 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am
Daily Mass: 8:00am



Our Lady of the Wayside Church
930 Portola Road
Portola Valley, CA 94028
650-854-5976

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:15pm
Sunday 9:30am
Daily Mass: 7:30am (Tue, Wed, Thu)

Parish staff: Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor
Fr. Tom Moran, In residence

Parish Office, Mary Cague, Secretary, 650-854-5976;
FAX: 650-854-3754 – **Office Hours:** Mon. – Fri.: 9-12 & 1-5.

Religious Ed Office, Rosemary Lyon, 650-854-1081; e-mail, ryon.stdenis@gmail.com
Sr. de Chantal Selenger, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 650-854-1251
Baptisms and Marriages: Call the parish office

www.StDenisParish.org

Confessions: Saturday – 4:30pm to 5:00pm at both Churches

JANUARY 3, 2010 – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Dear Parishioners,

Epiphany is a beautiful celebration. For the first time Jesus is revealed to people who are not Jews. This celebration brings everybody together. It tells us that every human being shares in the same inheritance as a son or daughter of God, that Jesus was born for everyone. But that does not mean that the barriers that divide people have disappeared. We still see divisions in the world, divisions that are based on race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, and wealth. All these divisions reflect also the separation that exists between people and God. As Christians we are all called to bring about love and healing. May all of us work to build a world that is free from all division, exploitation, war and violence.

I am sure that you all had a wonderful Christmas, that you were able to celebrate it with your family, loved ones and friends. I would like to thank you all for your generosity to St. Denis and OLW during the Christmas season! Let me wish you all a Happy New Year! May the New Year be a year of many blessings!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

NEWCOMERS

If your family is new to St. Denis Parish, you are encouraged to register in our parish community so that we may have your mailing address. The Parish Registration Form is available at the back of the church.

ST. DENIS PARISH LIBRARY BOOK CART

The Parish Library has a book cart in the rear of the church near the organ pipes. There are many great titles for your perusal. Look them over and check one out.

Christmas collection: \$46,568.00 - Sunday collection Dec. 27, 2009 - \$8,835.00.
Last year's Christmas collection: \$40,240.00 - Sunday collection Dec. 29, 2008 - \$6,687.00.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There are no regularly scheduled Religious Education classes until January 10th 2010. Please check the updated Religious Education schedule of classes on our Parish website!

INTERESTED IN HELPING TO PROTECT GOD’S GIFT OF CREATION?

Parishioners of all ages are invited to join a new group at St. Denis that will promote ecology, environmental justice, and the stewardship of Creation through outreach efforts and education. First meeting to be held in mid-January. Please contact Kathy Ruppel at 650-248-6602 or kathleen.ruppel@ucsf.edu if you are interested.

TRANSITIONS SUPPORT GROUP – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2010 – 7:30 pm

Transitions is a drop-in support group for those who are undergoing the transition from couple-hood to single-hood. If you, or someone you know, has suffered the breakup of a marriage or significant relationship, this group may be helpful. The meetings are informal and unstructured, confidential and safe. You don’t need a reservation, and there are no age boundaries. There is no charge. Meetings are held at St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center, 3290 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. For more info call Randy Jones, 408-739-2881 or email transitions@paloaltocatholic.org.

ANNIVERSARY MASS AT ST. MARY’S CATHEDRAL

Bishop William Justice cordially extends an invitation to all married couples of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, and beyond, to a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration and renewal of vows on Saturday, February 27th, 2010 at 12 Noon at St. Mary’s Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco.

Registration forms are available by download at www.sffamilylife.com. For more information call (707) 552-3394 or email sfcath@gmail.com. Special honor will be shown to those who are celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ Wedding Anniversaries.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SLEEPING BAG APPEAL

Just \$25. will purchase one new bag rated for very cold weather to be distributed at one of SVDP’s Homeless Help Centers in S. San Francisco, San Mateo and Redwood City. Donate online at www.svdp-sanmateocounty.org or mail a check to SVdP Sleeping Bag Appeal, 50 North B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401. We appreciate your compassion for those without a warm bed or their own shelter.

IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.

Al Allen, Agnes Babcock, Michael Bohn., Robert Biagini Bradbury, Robert Collins, Gertrude DeZelaya, Jonathan Phillis Flinn, Bob Hunter, Brent Hunter, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Phyllis Lucas, Ann Martin, Ian Mitchell, Raymond Schaaf Sr, Mary Schleifer, Don Schroeder, Bill Selenger, Nancy Snideman, Kathleen Spillane, Stephen Tillim, Vincee Viso, Frank Vitale, Charles Winter and Bill Zonner.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK INCLUDE

Sat. 5:30 pm	Jean Charles Mornand	Sun. 11:30 am	Ann Morey Goodwin
Sun. 7:30 am	Joe Brew	Wed. 8:00 am	Ralph Oswald
Sun. 9:30 am	Heather Crawford Hill	Fri. 8:00 am	Dolores Runyun

2010 CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCES TODAY