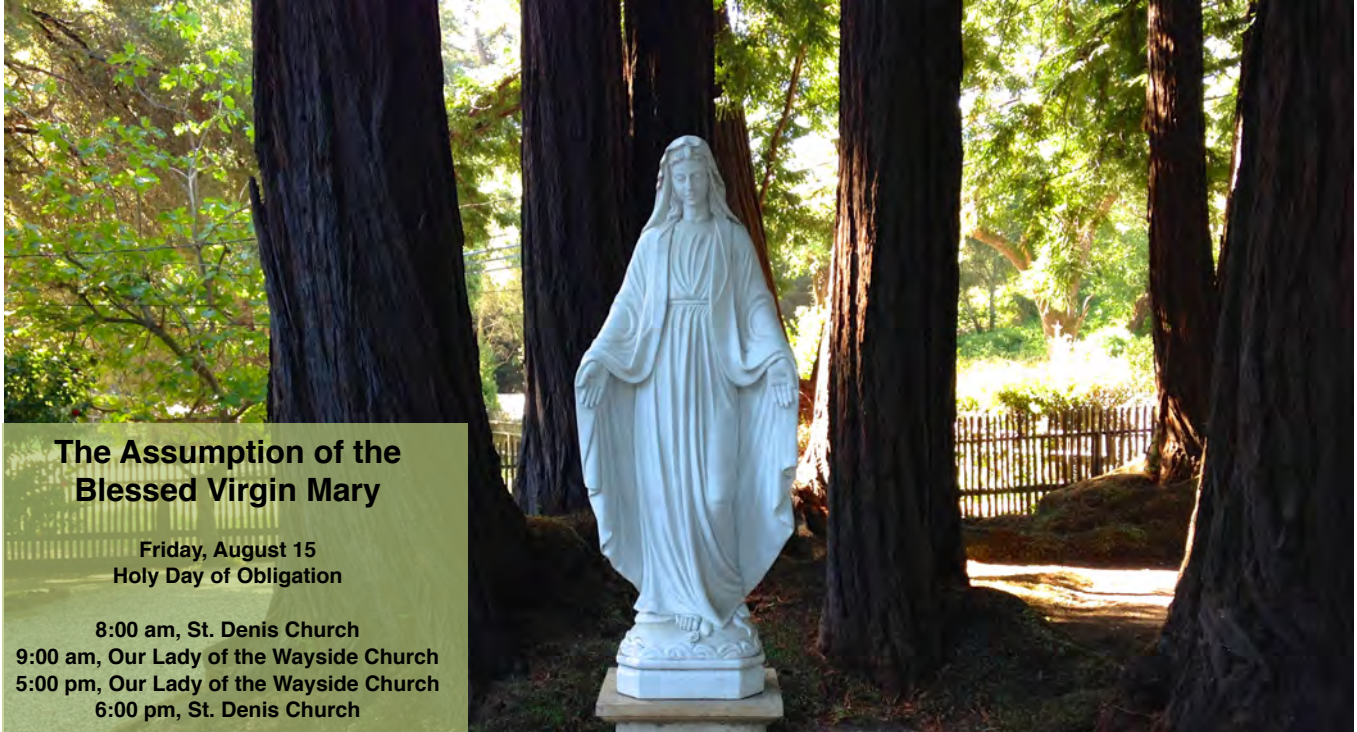


August 10, 2014, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.*



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 15
Holy Day of Obligation

8:00 am, St. Denis Church
9:00 am, Our Lady of the Wayside Church
5:00 pm, Our Lady of the Wayside Church
6:00 pm, St. Denis Church

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Mass Times

St. Denis Church

Saturday 8:00 am, 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Weekdays 8:00 am

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Saturday 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9:30 am

Weekdays: Please refer to the "Mass Intentions" schedule.

Confession Times

Saturday, 4:00 pm, Our Lady of the Wayside

Saturday, 5:00 pm, St. Denis

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Pastor's Corner

Dear fellow members of St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside,

Water is a symbol of life and death. No life can exist without water. Yet water also reminds us of the story of Noah and the flood. Therefore, water is also a symbol of destruction. In today's reading Jesus appears out of the night, "walking toward them on the sea." It is a symbol of his triumph over chaos and evil. The scene is full of symbolic association. Peter ventures into this dangerous element, and makes his way while he keeps his attention on the Lord, but begins to sink when he looked at the raging sea. Peter represents the typical disciple caught between faith and doubt. Jesus' rebuke, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" is directed at each one of us. Often we too like Peter start out courageously, but begins to doubt and lose heart when faced with a crisis. Christ invites us to trust in him when faced with doubts and fears!

August 15 Friday, the solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. The masses at St Denis on the 15th of August will be at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. The Masses at OLW on the 15th of August will be at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji

Gospel Reading

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

Mass Intentions

	<u>St. Denis</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Wayside</u>
Sat. 8/09	5:30pm Jerry Olsen+ (Glenn Olsen)	4:30pm for the Parishioners of OLW
Sun. 8/10	7:30am Irene Goodwin+ (Hagman family) 9:30am for the Parishioners of St. Denis 11:30am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	9:30am Aoife Redmond+ (Christine Dowd)
Mon. 8/11	8:00am James Bruno+ (Tom & Connie Courtney)	
Tue. 8/12	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Wed. 8/13	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Thu. 8/14	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Fri. 8/15	8:00am George J. Koch+ (Koch family) 6:00pm for the Parishioners of St. Denis	9:00am for the Parishioners of OLW 5:00pm for the Parishioners of OLW
Sat. 8/16	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	

In your charity, please pray for...

Carol Armstrong, Agnes Babcock, Louise Brent, Archie Briggs, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Sandra Dailey, Gertrude DeZelaya, Bob Ellis, Amelia Elsbree, Michael Fil, Susan Fil, Ruben Fuentez, Johnny Gentry, Lauren Goode, Michael Ho, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Dick Kusa, Matthew Lear, Craig London, Phyllis Lucas, Luke Mars, Ann Martin, Sheri Martin, Dorothy Meyers, Dennis Miller, Rozeh Nikili, Lorraine O'Connor, Lorie Ortega, Angie Real, Jim Rock, Raymond Schaaf Sr, Aileen Schiel, Marie Scott, Omid Sharif, Lilly Schulte, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, David Welling, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates and Ada Zilli.

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

Religious Education

Register Now For Religious Ed!

More than just a Sacramental Prep program, sign-up your kids for Religious Ed by August 31st in Pre-K through 8th Grade – registration is online at www.stdenisparish.org/religiousedreg. The earlier you register, the better we can plan how many catechists, aides, and how much materials we need, so registration is available now.

If you have questions, please contact our Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry, Lindsey West, at lwest@stdenisparish.org or 650-854-1081.

Last CLOW this Sunday

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is a drop-in ministry for children 4 years old through 4th Grade at St. Denis Church. The LAST CLOW for the summer is this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass at St. Denis Church. Questions? Contact Lindsey West at lwest@stdenisparish.org.

Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers

Not just another chastity talk or program, Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers (TOB for short) is a course of study to introduce middle school students and their parents to St. Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body". TOB helps provide solid and relevant answers to the questions and confusion tweens sometimes experience concerning their bodies, sexuality, and even their future.

Our program, geared for middle school students in 6th through 8th grade, will bring you and your child together for sessions that answer questions such as "Who am I?", "Are there consequences to my actions?", "What is the difference between love and lust?", "How do I balance family, friends, school, God, music, TV, internet, texting, etc., in my daily life?", and more. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend each of the 8 sessions with their middle school student (but it is NOT mandatory). We will meet approximately once a month on Wednesday evenings 7pm-8:30pm (snacks provided). Register online at www.stdenisparish.org/tob-for-middle-school by August 31st. If you have questions, please contact Lindsey West at lwest@stdenisparish.org or 650-854-1081

Outdoor Mass & BBQ 2014!

Save the date for the official Religious Kick-Off: Outdoor Mass and BBQ will be Sunday, September 21st at 9:30am.

Catholic Scouting

Calling all Girl Scouts! Are you interested in furthering your scouting adventures and deepening your faith through service, fun and prayer? Join our Faith-Bases Girl Scout Group which will meet once a month during the school year. Sign-ups will begin at the upcoming outdoor mass. Contact Elizabeth Radford: lizradford@yahoo.com or 650-485-9491.

Young Adult Ministry

Wine & the Word



Join Fr. Jose and other Catholic Young Adults (21+) for some delicious wine while mulling over Sacred Scripture. The first Wine and the Word is Monday, September 15th at 7:30pm at Fr. Jose's house behind the parish office. Please RSVP to Lindsey West (Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry) via lwest@stdenisparish.org or 650-854-1081. Cost is free and you need not be Catholic to attend, so invite friends or colleagues.

20s-30s Group: Holy Hour, Happy Hour

Young adults from several different parishes in the mid-peninsula (Redwood City-Menlo Park-Palo Alto) are meeting every Thursday at 8pm at Nativity Parish in Menlo Park for a Holy Hour followed by a Happy Hour at the Dutch Goose (Avy and Alameda de las Pulgas). If you're a young adult looking to connect with a young adult community, please join us! If you can't make the Holy Hour, stop by the Dutch Goose around 9:20pm and join us for a couple drinks. To sign up for our mailing list and find out about other activities, please contact Brendon Ford at BrendonRuelas@gmail.com

Youth Ministry

GATHER BE INSPIRED **PRAISE**
PRAY **ENCOUNTER**

St. Denis
St. Raymond
Nativity

Mid-Peninsula Encounter

Guest Speaker:
Jim Harbaugh

Wednesday,
October 22 @ 6:30p-8:30p

Tickets are \$10 each

For tickets contact Lindsey West:
lwest@stdenisparish.org or 650.854.1081

Event is for High School & Middle School students

Our Youth Ministry is joining St. Raymond, Sacred Heart and Nativity's youth ministry for a day of prayer, worship and rides at OnFire NorCal Jam at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo, CA on Saturday, September 20th from 6:00am-11:00pm. Children must be high school age or older to participate. The cost is \$80 per student which includes the entrance to the OnFire Jam, three meals, and transportation. Contact lwest@stdenisparish.org for more info on the OnFire NorCal Jam 2014 teen event.



Promo video, and permission slip available at www.stdenisparish.org/onfire2014

Return permission slip and payment by Sunday, September 7th to Lindsey West in the Parish Office

High Schoolers: Sunday Lunches on Sex, Dating, and Relationships



Theology of the Body for Teens (TOB for short) explores the meaning of our bodies, the

significance of our sexuality, and the purpose for our lives. Using a mix of stories, real life examples, honest conversation, and a safe space for discussion, we'll delve into the answers to questions like "Why did God give us our sexual desires?", "What is the difference between love and lust?", "What does our sexuality teach us about God?", "What is the 'language of the body' and how do I 'speak' it?", and more. All high school students and your friends are invited to sign-up. We will meet one to two times a month Sundays after the 11:30am Mass from 12:30pm-2pm, beginning with lunch together (yup, food is included). There are 12 sessions in total. Register online at www.stdenisparish.org/hstobreg by August 31st. If you have questions, please contact Lindsey West at lwest@stdenisparish.org or 650-854-1081.

Youth Mission Trip Recap

Thanks to the parish for your support and prayers as 9 of us traveled to McAllen/San Juan, Texas July 20-26. We spent the week building a house for a family in



need and met another family (of 9) in some of the poorest conditions. We were able to help this second family have a floor to walk on in their severely damaged mobile home and put up railings where one of the side walls of the home was missing. We also had the opportunity to volunteer with Sacred Heart Church where Catholic Charities is providing emergency aid for the massive influx of immigrants that have flooded across the border recently. We also had time for prayer, spiritual conversation, and fun and games. It was a great experience!

Saint of the Week: St. Clare of Assisi

August 11 - St. Clare of Assisi was born into a wealthy Italian family but soon shunned her luxurious upbringing to embrace the life of piety and poverty. When Clare was 18, Francis of Assisi came to preach in the church of San Giorgio at Assisi. Inspired by his words, Clare asked Francis to help her in dedicating her life to God, and he vowed to do so. The following year (1211), Clare's parents chose a wealthy young man for Clare to marry, but she pointedly refused, fleeing soon after for the Porziuncola Chapel, where Francis received her. She took vows dedicating her life to God, and March 20, 1212, marked the beginning of the Second Order of St. Francis. Clare's sister Agnes soon joined her, and they moved to the Church of San Damiano, recently rebuilt by Francis. It wasn't long before other women joined them, and San Damiano's residents, known for their ascetic lifestyle, became known as the "Poor Ladies." Ten years after Clare's death the order would be renamed the Order of Saint Clare. The group became known for their austere and devout lifestyle and for the power of their prayer, which is credited with saving Assisi from invaders twice. After Francis' death, Clare continued his work and broadened her own influence. Clare cared for Francis toward the end of his life and was with him when he died in 1226. Afterward, despite ill health, Clare continued to promote the growth of her order until her death in 1253. Clare died in 1253 and was canonized two years later by Pope Alexander IV.



Please pray for the repose of parishioner **John Hayden Byrne**.
The funeral Mass was celebrated this past week at
Our Lady of the Wayside Church.

Weekly Stewardship Report

Deficit Fund Goal: \$21,748
Collected to Date: \$8,479

August 2/3, 2014			August 3/4, 2013		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$3,765.00	\$2,678.25	St. Denis	\$5,181.00	\$2,412.66
OLW	\$1,433.00	\$531.66	OLW	\$1,889.00	\$816.25
Total: \$8,407.91			Total: \$10,298.91		
Monthly Total, July 2014			Monthly Total, July 2013		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$12,983.00	\$10,713.00	St. Denis	\$15,735.00	\$9,650.67
OLW	\$4,614.00	\$2,126.66	OLW	\$3,095.00	\$3,265.02
Total: \$30,436.66			Total: \$31,745.69		

Music for the Mass

This weekend we begin singing a new musical setting of the Mass for the following Masses:

Saturday 4:30 OLW
Saturday 5:30 OLW
Sunday 9:30 St. Denis
Sunday 9:30 OLW

The new Mass setting is a revision of Owen Alstott's *Heritage Mass* and can be found in our hymnals. Please refer to the hymnal for help as we learn this music together.

Glory to God, #901
Holy, #902
When We Eat This Bread, #904
Amen, #906
Lamb of God, #907

Mass Rides

Need a ride to Mass?

~ or ~

Would you like to volunteer to drive people to Mass?

Call Tom Kirkbride at (650) 323-1172.

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Music Ministry

Cantor Workshop

St. Denis will be hosting a cantor workshop on Saturday, August 30, 9:00 am - 11:00 am. The workshop will introduce you to the NPM Basic Cantor Certification program. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Jeffery Abbott: jabbott@stdenisparish.org or (650) 854-5976, ext. 101.

Choir

Choir resumes singing at Mass on September 7. We need your voice! If you read music, *even just a little*, we have a spot for you. We have an exciting program in the works: in addition to our regular Sunday Mass, we will be singing Evening Prayer (Vespers) on November 2 (All Souls) in a service commemorating of our faithful departed. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. Please contact Jeffery Abbott: jabbott@stdenisparish.org or (650) 854-5976, ext. 101, to sign up.



Ministry Schedule

next week, August 16 & 17

St. Denis

5:30pm Lector: Ann Marie Jewell
E.M.: Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris, Anne Marie Jewell
7:30am Lectors: Paul Kirincich, James Tornes
E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Sandy Rock
9:30am Lectors: Jill Stanley, Scott Stanley
E.M.: Susanna Tang, Catherine Coluzzi, Josephine Dorval*, Marlene Hunter, Barbara Mason, Estelle Crawford
11:30am Lector: R Draeger
E.M.: L Lombardi, R Lombardi, Flax

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm Lector: Sullivan
E.M.: Vonderlinden, DeStaebler
9:30am Lector: Hauer
E.M.: Carroll, Anderson, Alfano B.

* sacristan