

August 24, 2014, 21st 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.*

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Mass Times

St. Denis Church

Saturday: 5:30 pm (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

St. Denis Church

2250 Avy Avenue • Menlo Park, CA 94025

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

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LAST CHANCE to SIGN UP!!!

The senior luncheon is
Tuesday, August 26, at 12:00.
Please call 650-854-5976
by Monday to sign up.

Pastor's Corner

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

It is very easy to answer the question, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" You are giving someone else's answer. On one occasion John Lennon said, "We are more popular than Jesus now; I don't know which will go first, rock 'n' roll or Christianity," Later he explained that it was a comment on society and not on Jesus. Many people through the ages have imagined how Jesus would be received if he were to appear in modern society. Thomas Carlyle, the 19th-century historian wrote, "If Jesus Christ were to come today, people would not even crucify him. They would ask him to dinner, and hear what he had to say, and make fun of it." The real question that each one of us has to answer is, "Who do you say that I am?" The first question is easily answered. But the second question, only a true disciple can answer. Every time we Christians meet in the name of Jesus, or gather together to pray and worship, we are responding to his question, "Who do you say that I am?"

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji

Gospel Reading

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesare'a Philip'pi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Eli'jah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Mass Intentions

	<u>St. Denis</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Wayside</u>
Sat. 8/23	5:30pm Steve Bellumori+ (Margot Lockwood)	4:30pm for the Parishioners of OLW
Sun. 8/24	7:30am for the Parishioners of St. Denis 9:30am Siew Teck Ng+ (Maria Lim) 11:30am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	9:30am Aloysius H. Nathe+ (Alfred Sanguinetti)
Mon. 8/25	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Tue. 8/26	8:00am for the Parishioners of St. Denis	
Wed. 8/27	8:00am John & Bernice Meyer+ (Steven Meyer)	
Thu. 8/28	8:00am John & Bernice Meyer+ (Steven Meyer)	
Fri. 8/29	8:00am John & Bernice Meyer+ (Steven Meyer)	

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.



Theology of the Body for Middle Schoolers: An Enrichment 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 Ed 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 Catholic Young Adults (21+) for some delicious wine while mulling over Sacred Scripture at Fr. Jose's house. The first Wine and the Word is Monday, September 15th at 7:30pm. Fr. Jose's house is behind the parish office. Please RSVP to Lindsey West or Fr. Jose at lwest@stdenisparish.org or joseshajhi.62@gmail.com.

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 (Ave 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** **PRAY** **DORE** **PRAISE**

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 visit stdenisparish.org/xlt
Questions? Contact Lindsey West at
lwest@stdenisparish.org

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



What is XLT (exalt)?

St. Denis' Youth Ministry, along with St. Raymond and Church of the Nativity are excited to present the first-ever **XLT-Mid-Peninsula** with 49ers head coach, **Jim Harbaugh**, on **Wednesday, 22 October 2014**, to be held at **Sacred Heart School**. During XLT ("exalt"), teens from different Catholic parishes come together to pray and worship. The night includes inspiring music by a phenomenal band and a dynamic talk geared for teens. High School and Middle School students are invited to this special evening. XLT is 7pm-8:30pm, with hospitality beginning at 6:30pm.

To order your tickets (\$10/ticket), please go to <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/xlt-mid-peninsula-encounter-with-jim-harbaugh-tickets-12537178037>. Seating is limited.

If you have questions, contact Lindsey West at lwest@stdenisparish.org.

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.

Saint of the Week: St. Joseph Calasanz



August 25 - From Aragon, where he was born in 1556, to Rome, where he died 92 years later, fortune alternately smiled and frowned on the work of Joseph Calasanz. A priest with university training in canon law and theology, respected for his wisdom and administrative expertise, he put aside his career because he was deeply concerned with the need for education of poor children. When he was unable to get other institutes to undertake this apostolate at Rome, he and several companions personally provided a free school for deprived children. So overwhelming was the response that there was a constant need for larger facilities to house their effort. Soon Pope Clement VIII gave support to the school, and this aid continued under Pope Paul V. Other schools were opened; other men were attracted to the work and in 1621 the community was recognized as a religious community, the Clerks Regular of Religious Schools (Piarists or Scolopi). Not long after, Joseph was appointed superior for life. A combination of various prejudices and political ambition and maneuvering caused the institute much turmoil. Some did not favor

educating the poor, for education would leave the poor dissatisfied with their lowly tasks for society! Others were shocked that some of the Piarists were sent for instruction to Galileo (a friend of Joseph) as superior, thus dividing the members into opposite camps. Repeatedly investigated by papal commissions, Joseph was demoted; when the struggle within the institute persisted, the Piarists were suppressed. Only after Joseph's death were they formally recognized as a religious community.

Volunteer Reception

It is your turn to be thanked and honored at a special reception in your honor after the 5:30 pm Mass in the St. Denis Parish Hall on Saturday, August 30. Please come and join in the celebration of your continued dedication and generosity. Please RSVP: 650-854-5976.

Weekly Stewardship Report

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

	August 16/17, 2014			August 17/18, 2013			
		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>	
August 15 Assumption	St. Denis	\$3,897.00	\$2,678.25	St. Denis	\$5,025.00	\$2,412.66	
	OLW	\$1,163.00	\$531.66	OLW	\$1,159.00	\$816.25	
	Total: \$8,269.91			Total: \$9,412.91			
	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	\$692.00	\$12,983.00	\$10,713.00	St. Denis	\$15,735.00	\$9,650.67	
OLW	\$234.00	\$4,614.00	\$2,126.66	OLW	\$3,095.00	\$3,265.02	
Total: \$926.00		Total: \$30,436.66			Total: \$31,745.69		

The Outreach Committee will be collecting **magazines and paperback books** for San Mateo County Jail. Collection boxes will be placed at the back of both churches on August 23, 24, 30, and 31. The inmates love National Geographic magazines. Please note: **NO HARDCOVER BOOKS.**

Rector Installation Mass

Fr. Bud Stevens
will be installed as the sixteenth
President-Rector of St. Patrick Seminary



Monday, August 25, 2014, 5:00 PM

St. Patrick Seminary
320 Middlefield Road
Menlo Park

Pillow Case Dresses

Parish Tea Committee will be collecting Pillow cases, fabric, buttons, lace, ribbons from Sunday September 14-28. Please no see thru fabric and no Disney characters. We will arrange two workshops (TBC: Oct 19 and 26 "Lunch Provided") or you could make the dress at home. Instructions will be provided after 9:30 Mass on the Patio on September 14 and 9/28. ***We're not just sending dresses, we're sending hope.*** ***Human traffickers are less likely to snatch little girls for slavery if the girls are well clothed.*** In the red dirt of Malawi, a simple idea was born to not only offer relief, but to also plant the seeds of worthiness, in the hearts of God's most vulnerable: little girls. For more detail please call Josephine at 650.506.6571 or email: jsdorval@yahoo.com



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.

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

We are having an important In-Service Meeting on Sunday, September 7th, following the 9:30am Mass in the St. Denis Chapel. This meeting is for both sites, Our Lady of the Wayside and St. Denis, and will be repeated on Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 7 pm. If you are in these ministries, please plan on attending one of these informative meetings. If you are a confirmed youth and would like to join these ministries, please contact Lindsey at lwest@stdenisparish.org.

Ministry Schedule

next week, August 30 & 31

St. Denis

5:30pm Lector: Beverly Huss
E.M.: Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris, Anne Marie Jewell

7:30am Lectors: Maria Decker, Danuta Eustice
E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Sandy Rock

9:30am Lectors: Peter McNamee, Tereza McNamee
E.M.: Susanna Tang, Catherine Coluzzi, Josephine Dorval, Marlene Hunter*, Barbara Mason, Heather Scholl

11:30am Lector: S Flax
E.M.: R Lombardi, Nancy & Bob Neuer

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm Lector: Mingram
E.M.: Welling, DeStaebler

9:30am Lector: Reid-Krensky
E.M.: Aymerich, Alfano B., Ruggeri

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