

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.

Join us **Wednesday, Mar. 4th**
Religious Ed hosts beautiful
Taize Prayer followed by
Soup Supper
6:00 pm at St. Denis Church

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Mass Times

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

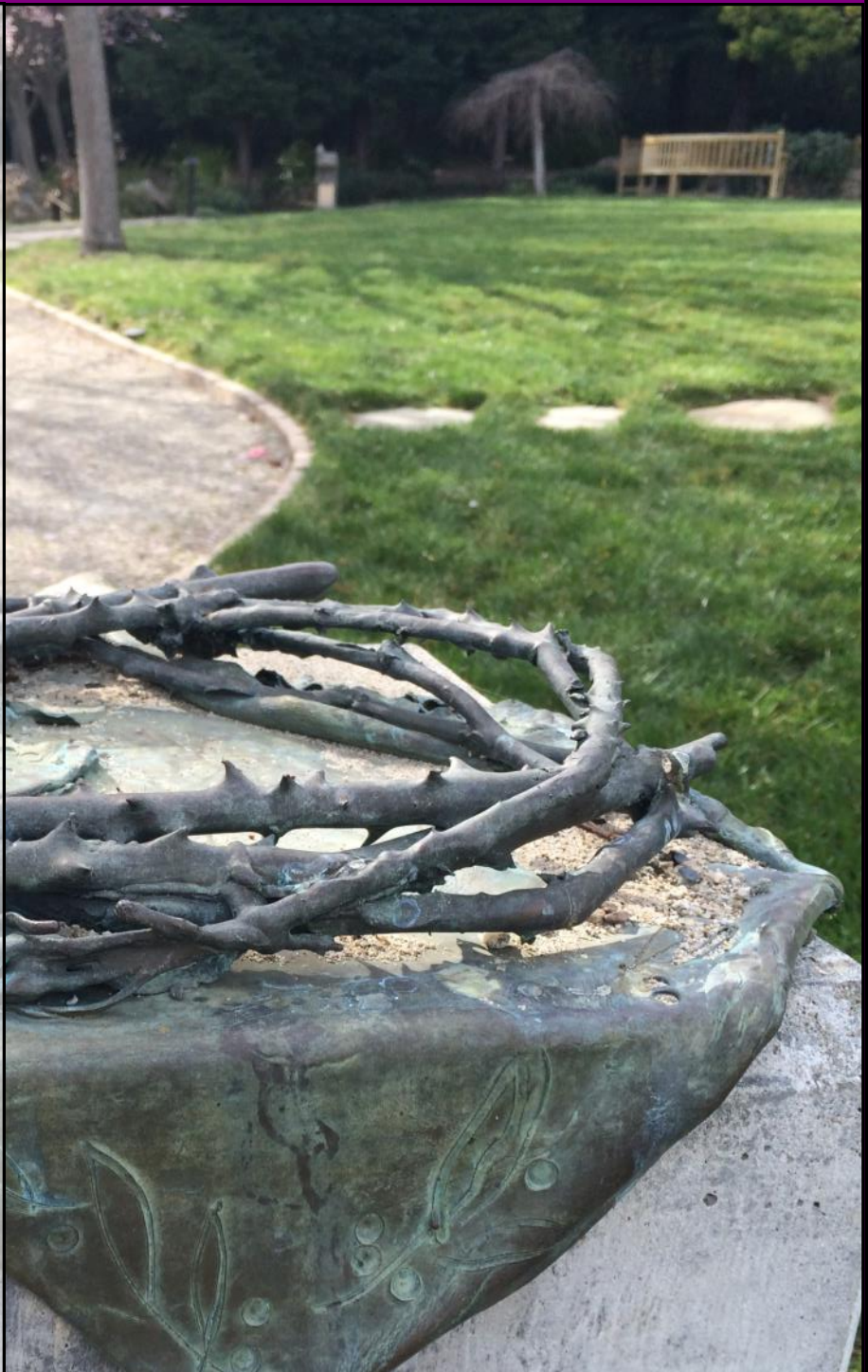
Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:30 am

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



March 1st, 2015

Second Sunday of Lent

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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

Pastor's Corner

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

The Gospel reading of this Sunday is about the Transfiguration of Jesus. In the presence of Peter, James and John, Jesus was transfigured. There was the everyday Jesus who was well known to his friends; and then there was the moment when they scarcely recognized him, so transformed - transfigured - was he. Divinity shone through him, revealing depths that they had never imagined. Can this happen only to Jesus? Transfiguration is not only about Jesus but about each one of us. We will be transfigured, made whole and perfect, as God always intended us to be. During our earthly life we are called to work towards reaching perfection and practicing virtue so that transfiguration begins in our earthly life and reaches its completion in our next life.

This coming Wednesday, March 4, there will be Taize prayer at 6.00 pm followed by a Soup Supper at St Denis. This is organized by the Religious Board. Everyone is invited to the event.

Next Weekend, a second collection will be taken at all the Masses. It will be the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. The Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the different ministries in the Archdiocese.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji

Gospel Reading

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.

Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat. 2/28 5:30pm for the parishioners of St. Denis

Sun. 3/1 7:30am Tom Kirkbride[†] (Ed & Connie Vincent)
9:30am Dick Kusa[†] (Elna Kusa)
11:30am Jim Bell[†] (Joe & Mary Merkert)

Mon. 3/2 8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis

Tue. 3/3 8:00am Waltina Cain[†] (Tina Menendez)

Wed. 3/4 8:00am Terrence Donohoe[†] (Ciotek & Donohoe)

Thu. 3/5 8:00am Marge Young[†] (Sherri Coats)

Fri. 3/6 8:00am Susanne Smith[†] (Bill & Sherri Coats)

Our Lady of the Wayside

4:30pm for the parishioners of OLW

9:30am for the parishioners of OLW

In your charity, please pray for...

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 Fuentez, 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, Angie Real, Jim Rock, Raymond Shaaf Sr., Aileen Schiel, Kathy Schoendorf, Marie Scott, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, Walter Weber, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli, and William and Jean Zonner.

Saint of the Week: St. Casimir (March 4)

March 4—Casimir was born a prince and in line (third among 13 children) to be a king himself, was filled with exceptional values and learning by a great teacher, John Dlugosz. Even as a teenager, Casimir lived a highly disciplined life, spending a great part of the night in prayer and dedicating himself to lifelong celibacy. When nobles in Hungary became dissatisfied with their king, they prevailed upon Casimir's father, the king of Poland, to send his son to take over the country. Casimir obeyed his father. The army he was supposed to lead was clearly outnumbered by the enemy. At the advice of his officers, Casimir decided to return home. His father was irked at the failure of his plans, and confined his 15-year-old son for three months. The lad made up his mind never again to become involved in the wars of his day, and no amount of persuasion could change his mind. He returned to prayer and study, maintaining his decision to remain celibate even under pressure to marry the emperor's daughter. He reigned briefly as king of Poland during his father's absence. He died at the age of 23 from lung disease while visiting Lithuania of which he was also Grand Duke.. He was buried with his favorite song, a Latin hymn to Mary called "Omni die dic Mariae" which we know as "Daily, Daily Sing to Mary." Because of his love for the song, it is known as the Hymn of St. Casimir though he didn't write it. Casimir is patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.



Adult Religious Ed Classes

Classes to start on Sunday, February 15. We'll meet in the parish hall 10 minutes after the completion of 9:30 Mass. In the six week series we will discuss the Sunday readings; current, local and world-wide Church events and the Ecumenical Councils of the Catholic Church including Vatican II. Everyone is most welcome to attend. If you miss the first class, come join us for any one or all of the five classes to follow. Call John Lippert, (650) 854-3278, if you have any questions.

Weekly Stewardship Report

February 21/22, 2015			February 22/23, 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$4,148.00	\$2,602.83	St. Denis	\$3,792.00	\$2,120.83
OLW	\$922.00	\$505.41	OLW	\$784.00	\$637.70
Total: \$8,178.24			Total: \$7,334.53		
Monthly Total, January 2015			Monthly Total, January 2014		
	<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>		<u>Sunday Collection</u>	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$16,880.00	\$10,411.33	St. Denis	\$16,531.00	\$8,483.34
OLW	\$4,595.00	\$2,021.66	OLW	\$6,815.00	\$2,550.82
Total: \$33,907.99			Total: \$34,380.16		

Lenten Day of Reflection

St. Denis will be hosting a Day of Reflection for all adults on Monday, March 23, from 10:00am—2:00pm. Fr. Russ Roide, S.J., will give a presentation on the topic, “Lessons of Inner Strength for Challenging Times.” Our day will start with coffee and treats and will include Mass, reflection time, and lunch. We will have sign-ups following the Masses at St. Denis beginning THIS weekend or you can drop off your check at the parish office during business hours. Please feel free to invite your friends to join us. The cost is just \$19 and is open to everyone.

Spiritual Book Group

The Spiritual Book Group is reading *Iona Dreaming: the Healing Power of Place* by Clare Cooper Marcus. Marcus, a Bay Area resident spent six months on the Scottish island of Iona after retiring from UC Berkeley and dealing with cancer. She immerses herself in nature, dreams, and reflection to re-find her spirit. There are echoes of Christian, Celtic, and Buddhist spirituality in her journey. Come join the discussion! We read a couple of chapters each week and meet in the library in the Parish Center. Tuesdays, 9:00 am. Please call Tereza McNamee for specifics, (650) 323-6859.

OLW Soup Supper

Friday, March 6th at 6:00 pm there will be Stations of the Cross and a soup supper at Our Lady of the Wayside. All are invited.

Catholic Girl Scouting

We have an upcoming meeting this Sunday, March 1 from 3:00-4:30pm in the parish center. We will continue our study of Pope John XXIII as well as talk about our upcoming service dinner at Maple Street. We will be forwarding a Google doc for sign-ups for the dinner soon. If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Elizabeth Radford, lizradford@yahoo.com

Lenten Services

March 4, Wednesday
6:00 pm Taize Music & Veneration
of the Cross Prayer
followed by Soup Supper
hosted by Religious Ed Families

March 10, Wednesday
6:00 pm Mass followed by Soup Supper
Prepared by the Outreach Committee

March 18, Wednesday
6:00 pm Vespers followed by Soup Supper
Prepared by the Choir

March 25, Wednesday
6:00 pm Reconciliation Service and
Confessions.

March 28, Saturday
6:30 pm Seder Dinner

St. Patrick's Celebration

We will be having a St. Patrick's Day Parish Dinner on Saturday, March 14, following the 5:30pm Mass. The cost is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child over age 6. The menu will include corned beef and cabbage and many other delights. We will have sign-ups during the first weekend in March.

Ministry Schedule

St. Denis

Mar. 7 / Mar. 8

- 5:30pm** **Lector:** Joan Mersch-Foss
E.M.: Ann Marie Jewell, Brigitte Mornand, Tina Morris
- 7:30am** **Lectors:** James Tornes, Paul Kirincich
E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Bill & Geri Beasley
- 9:30am** **Lectors:** Roy Thiel-Sardina, Eileen Braunreiter
E.M.: Ann O'Hearn, George Quiter III, Kathie Shaw, Jill Stanley, Scott Stanley, Dave Welch*
- 11:30am** **Lectors:** L. Lombardi
E.M.: S. Flax, P. Dewes, L. Marco

Our Lady of the Wayside

- 4:30pm** **Lectors:** Vonderlinden
E.M.: DeStaebler, Mingram
- 9:30am** **Lectors:** Aymerich
E.M.: Carroll, Aymerich, Healey

Religious Education/Youth Ministry

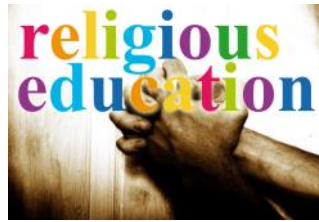
Religious Ed News

THIS Sunday, Mar. 1st

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade

12:30pm-1:30pm—Theology of the Body for High School



Next Sunday (3/1)

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade

10:30-11:30am—Big Kids' Sacramental Prep Class

5:30pm-7:45pm—Year 2 Confirmation

Upcoming Dates & Events

3/4 (Wed) - Soup Supper Hosted by Religious Ed

3/7 (Sat) - First Passion Narrative Rehearsal

Lenten Resources for Youth

And those with a youthful heart

Free Daily Lenten Reflections from Fr. Robert Barron - <http://www.wordonfire.org/resources/blog/join-fr-barron-and-over-200000-catholics-this-lent/4660/>

"Best Lent Ever" Free Resources from Dynamic Catholic - <http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/>

A Social Media Challenge for Lent - <http://lifeteen.com/sharejesus-social-media-challenge-lent/>

"102 Things You Should Really Give Up for Lent" - <http://lifeteen.com/102-things-really-give-lent/>

Calling All Actors!

We will be reenacting the Gospel narrative for Palm Sunday and will be having a couple practices. We will need several youth to act and several youth to read for this narrative.



Practices are **Saturday, March 7th** and **Saturday, March 21st** from **10:00am to 12:00pm**.

Sometimes called the Passion Play, this Gospel reenactment helps bring the story of Jesus' Passion to life for the community gathered at Mass. We want kids and youth, Grades 3 and up to help us bring the Gospel reading to life.

If you're interested in participating as a reader or an actor please contact Kenny Van Tilburg by Sunday, March 1st.

Save the Date!

Soup Supper hosted by Religious Ed
March 4th at 6:00pm



Taize prayer service for the whole family with veneration of the cross followed by soup supper.

Taize is simple, prayerful music and veneration of the cross is a beautiful, heartfelt devotion. It's a great prayer and community experience for ALL ages. Come for this once a year unique opportunity with your family!


Youth Ministry

St. Denis Parish


High School Service Event

Food Delivery

Tenderloin



Cost: \$25 per person



Information or Questions?
Contact Kenny Van Tilburg at
kvantilburg@stdenisparish.org

Permission slips and payments due by Friday, March 6th! Please turn into the Parish Office. Permission slip is available online at www.stdenisparish.org/hsyouthmin and look under the documents section.

Middle School Social: Rockin' Jump Trampoline Park



Friday,
March 13th

> WHEN: FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH

> WHERE: ROCKIN' JUMP
401 QUARRY ROAD
SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

> TIME: LEAVE ST. DENIS AT
6:00PM AND ARRIVE BACK AT
9:30PM.

> COST: \$20 per person




MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS?
CONTACT KENNY VAN TILBURG AT KVANTILBURG@STDENISPARISH.ORG

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July 19 - August 1
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Questions/Info
Contact: Kenny Van Tilburg
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Share your faith with Catholic youth from all over the world!

Permission slip and information can be found at www.stdenisparish.org/worldyouthday2016. Please have registration form and deposit submitted by Sunday,