

Saint Denis /Our Lady Of The Wayside Churches

*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: 5:30pm (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

**Ash Wednesday is
February 14th. See the back
of the bulletin for mass times.**



February 4th, 2018 5th Sunday in ordinary time

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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 Beloved Parishioners,

Today's Responsorial Psalm calls us to praise the Lord. Actually, our hearts are to sing praises to God. For our God is a good God. Even in the midst of suffering and distress, in times of trials and tribulations our God is with us. Is his name not Emmanuel, God with us? He is indeed. God does not turn his back on us. He is next to us on our journey of faith. He is our companion wherever we travel.

Recall that famous Footprints in the Sand poem. Most of the time the man noticed two sets of footprints as he walked along in the sand. Yet, there were many times when there were only one set of footprints which happened when he was going through difficult times in his life. The good Lord reminded the man that he was being carried by him during those times.

The hands of the Lord comfort us, console us, restore us, carry us, and heal us whether we know it or not or believe it or not. The good Lord does this through the people who come into our lives. It can be through a stranger, a neighbor, a friend, a relative or a fellow parishioner. What they say or do, what we say or do can give hope to those in need.

God bless, Fr. Paul

We Believe

NOT THE MESSIAH

St. Paul's humble-bragging again!
"I have been all things to all people to save at least some..."

I cannot be all things to all people!
That's not my mission!
There is ONE Messiah, and thankfully, that's not me!

In the Gospel, we have a description of Jesus' mission: preaching and healing.
To accomplish his mission, he spends time daily, alone, praying for guidance and direction.

I am called to be me, with all my flaws and weaknesses, talents and strengths.
That's how God created me, and that's how God has always loved me.

As we move closer to Lent, we are called to be ourselves, the people God created us to be.
We may need to tweak a few things, bad habits, attitudes, behaviors we've picked up.
But God is not asking us to be anyone we are not.

And through the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and giving,
we receive insight into what God wants tweaked.

Whatever my mission is, I need God's guidance and direction. That's what I pray for daily.

Yours in the Lord, Lucy

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat.	Feb.	3	5:30 pm	St. Blaise
Sun.	Feb.	4	7:30 am	In Thanksgiving
			9:30 am	Heather Crawford (+)
			11:30 am	St. Denis Parishioners
Mon.	Feb.	5	8:00 am	Cancer survivors
Tue.	Feb.	6	8:00 am	Religious Minorities in Asia
Wed.	Feb.	7	8:00 am	Christian Unity
Thurs.	Feb.	8	8:00 am	For all children
Fri.	Feb.	9	8:00 am	Mary & Robert Hagman (+)

Our Lady Of The Wayside

Sat.	Feb.	3	4:30pm	Jesus Quinonez (+)
Sun.	Feb.	4	9:30am	Our Lady of the Wayside Parishioners

In your charity, please pray for...

Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Sandy Rock, Mila Wright, Rosa Sharif, Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Janet Sue Cox, Janice Varell

The List has been updated. Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.

Faith Formation News

CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETS TONIGHT (SUNDAY)

Confirmation class meets Sunday, February 4 at 7:00-8:15pm in the parish hall. NO MASS or DINNER because of the Super Bowl festivities! See you at 7:00pm!



MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP!! HONOLULU, HI

JUNE 25 THRU JUNE 29, 2018

That's right! We're taking current 6th, 7th, and 8th graders on a 5 day mission trip to Hawaii.

The sponsoring organization is the Center for Ministry Development www.cmdnet.org

We'll be staying at a local retreat center and working on service projects selected for us by the local diocese. The cost is \$290 per person (not including transportation).

Permission forms and \$100 deposit are due February 25.

Space is limited! First come, first served!

To sign up, contact Lucy at lsoltau@stdenisparish.org for more information.



CRS RICE BOWL

CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent, and hear stories from our brothers and sisters in need worldwide. We devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform our relationship with God and neighbor. You will find Rice Bowls near the bulletins beginning February 4. You may bring your filled Rice Bowls to church anytime during Holy Week and the Easter season. Just put them in the collection basket or in the box in the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast & Workshop



MARDI GRAS!! Pancake breakfast and Lenten workshop

Sunday, February 11 at 10:30am at St. Denis parish hall. There will be crafts and activities for everyone and FREE pancake breakfast! Everyone is invited!



Help With Donuts

Do you enjoy the yummy donuts after 9:30am mass?

Then pitch in and help out! We can always use help.

Questions contact Dede at dedewm@pacbell.net.



Friendly Reminders

Bulletin & Announcements

The Deadline for bulletin inserts is (The Tuesday Before Noon,) before the weekend of publication. All mass announcements are to be scripted & okayed by Dede prior to masses. Contact her at dedem@pacbell.net
NOTE: Announcements may not appear until the next bulletin due to space limitations. Thank You!



Stewardship

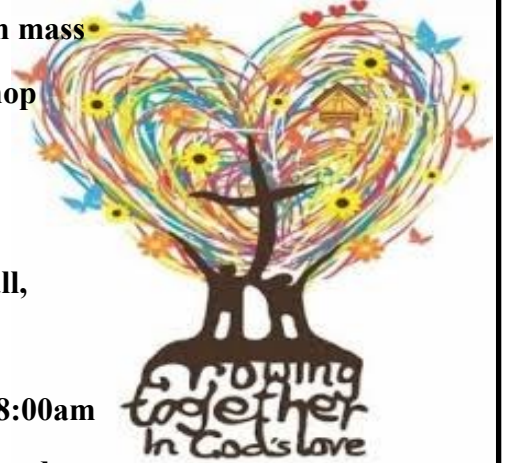
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 (Goal)	\$459,000.00
July 1, 2017 to December 31st, 2017	\$196,149.04
Monthly Goal—December, 2017	\$45,000.00
December 2017 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$49,299.00

[ONLINE GIVING WITH WESHARE](#)

New to online Egiving? Follow the link in our parish website to create a new account. If you gave online through ParishPay, the work of transferring your account to WeShare is done. Go to the parish website and click on the WeShare online giving link. Follow the instructions to verify your existing account.

Upcoming Events

- February 4th Confirmation Class tonight at St. Denis 7:00pm
- February 5th First Communion Class with Fr. Paul (optional) 3:30pm
- February 8th St. Francis Center Auxiliary Cooking Class 11:00am in St. Denis Hall
- February 11th Our Lady of the Wayside fellowship & donuts after 9:30am mass
- February 11th Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast & Lenten Family Workshop 10:30am in the St. Denis Parish Hall.
- February 14th Ash Wednesday Mass Times: 8:00am mass at St. Denis, 12 noon mass at St. Denis followed by Soup lunch in the hall, 6pm mass at St. Denis.
- February 16th Stations of the Cross every Friday (During Lent) after the 8:00am Mass with refreshments in the St. Denis Parish Hall afterwards.



St. Francis Auxiliary Cooking Demonstration & Luncheon

St. Francis Center Auxiliary will be hosting a Cooking Demonstration, Luncheon, and Raffle to benefit the Redwood City St. Francis Center on February 8th from 11:00am to 1:00pm in the St. Denis Parish Hall. The cost is \$25.00. Please RSVP putnamk@earthlink.net by Tuesday, February 5th. Tickets will not be sold at the door. This is a fun event and a great way to benefit so many in our community.

