

September 10th, 2023 | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (919)



Saint Denis Parish

85 Main Street / Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday–Wednesday
9:00 am
First Friday Mass @ 7:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 pm
or by appointment
Meet in church

OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 9am to 2pm
Website:

www.saintdenisashburnham.com

*Bulletin requests, Prayer requests
Mass Intentions, Event Tickets
Calendar requests, Join Parish*

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NOTIFY THE RECTORY

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Visitation of the sick & elderly
Weddings, Funerals,
Pastoral Care, etc.

ST. DENIS CEMETERY

91 Kelton Rd
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978-827-5806
Deacon Rich DesJardins Director
<https://saintdenisashburnham.org/cemetery>

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

[978-790-1923](tel:978-790-1923)

Next Week: September 17th, 2023 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (922)

Readings: Sir 27:30-28:7, Rom 14:7-9, Mt 18:21-35

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat	9/9	3:30pm	Confessions In the Church
Sat	9/9	4:30pm	For Grace, Paul, Jason, Matthew and Juliette Plante <i>By Edith & Roland LeBlanc</i>
Sun	9/10	8:00am	For the Caron Family <i>By Mom & Dad</i>
Sun	9/10	10:00am	For The Parishioners of St. Denis
Mon	9/11	9:00am	Mass & Adoration
Tues	9/12	9:00am	Mass
Wed	9/13	9:00am	Mass
Sat	9/16	3:30pm	Confessions In the Church
Sat	9/16	4:30 pm	For the Parishioners of St. Denis
Sun	9/17	8:00 am	+For Edwilda Rutan (10 year anniv.) <i>By Kim Nolan</i>
Sun	9/17	10:00am	For The Parishioners of St. Denis



THE DIOCESAN DISPATCH

A weekly bulletin to keep parishes informed of news and events.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." - Ezekiel 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.



Sanctuary Lamp

September 10th to Sept. 16th, 2023
JOHN E. BRESNAHAN

RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION



Lucy Langelier
Brielle Chaves
Irene Parent
Rebecca Harris
Mark Tisdale
Steve Dame
Ellen Duffy
Bruce Parent
Jeff Shimmel
Robert Cormier
Jason DesJardins
Cheryl C.
Kevin Leary

Eileen C
Deb B.
Ryan Duffy
Jan
Rod Bourgault
Jarrette Birchman
Josephin
Jane Webber
Luigi Bellabarba
Brian Roy
Mitchell Bourque
Slawek Family
Paul Norman Jr.
Pauline Roger
Viola Cleo Bradshaw
Ray Jacobs
Michael Goss

Magdalena Lovejoy
Danielle V.
Michael G.
Kathleen F.
Gina McCullin
Carol Hamel
Clair Richard
Betty Ann
Tom C.
Aline
Ed Hermann



What is Catechesis of the Good Shepherd?

What is an Atrium? Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a religious experience where children have the opportunity for contemplation and enjoyment of God. The experience is shared in a sacred place for children called the Atrium. God and children have a unique relationship with one another, particularly before the age of six. The Atrium is a place for them to foster growth in that relationship. For more information on this program, which will resume in the fall, please contact the religious education office at 978-827-4892 or stdenisRE@comcast.net.

Registrations are being accepted now.

Dear families, summer is quickly coming to an end and so it is time to register your child for religious education. The registration forms are on the website. Here is the link: [Registration Form - St. Denis - Ashburnham - Ashburnham, MA \(saintdenisashburnham.org\)](#) I will also have some available in the rectory breezeway if you prefer using paper and pen. The schedule will be the same as last year. I am working on getting the whole year's calendar on the website but for now please note the following start dates:

High school/grades 9/10, starts 9/17 from 6:00-9:00. Confirmation class (grade 10 only) starts 9/24 from 10:00-2:00 beginning with Mass.

All other grade levels begin the first week of October.

Grades 4/5, Monday 10/2 from 3:00-4:30

Grades 6-8, Monday 10/2 from 6:30-8:00

Atrium for preschoolers Tuesday 10/3, 10:00-11:30

Grades 2/3, Tuesday 10/3 from 3:00-4:30.

Grades K/1st, 10/4 from 3:00-4:30

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Blessings, Kim Brown

OPEN HOUSE!

**Wednesday
October 4th
6-8:00**

**EXPLORE THE MANY BENEFITS OF
A BERNARDIAN EDUCATION**

*Register
today!*



ST. BERNARD'S HIGH SCHOOL
45 HARVARD ST.
FITCHBURG, MA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time-"Live for the Lord."



Romans 14:7-8: "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." In our marriage, we are the Lord's. Put your marriage in the Lord's hands. Want to make your good marriage even better? Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The dates to sign up are:

September 22-24, 2023, in Huntington, NY (Immaculate Conception Seminary)

October 16-November 6, 2023, Virtual 3RE (M/W evenings)

October 20-22, 2023 in Barre, Vermont (St. Monica/St. Michael)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vatelle at 978-870-5646 or <https://wwwmema.org/>.

For more information and to speak with Gabi Carbone
the Enrollment Coordinator,
Please call 978-342-3212 extension 107.

MASS INTENTIONS BOOK

We have 2023 Mass Intentions Book available. Please call the office to have a Mass said for your loved ones to honor anniversaries, birthdays, and for health and sickness requests. All requests will be honored.

LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

DAY	TIME	DATE	LECTOR	MINISTER OF THE CUP
Saturday	4:30pm	Sept 2nd	Sharisa Sterling	Wes Snow & Jack McCarthy
Sunday	8:00am	Sept. 3rd	Mike Gingras	Sandy Jaillet & Jane Gingras
	10:00am	Sept. 3rd	Sheila Donofrio	Nate Comeau & James Kelly
Saturday	4:30pm	Sept. 9th	Vita Ciccone	Jean Torrans & Ann Murphy
Sunday	8am	Sept. 10th	Bob Feen	Harry Bellabarba & Peter Tamas
	10am	Sept. 10th	Sean Kelly	Jacob Demont & Sue Barr
Saturday	4:30pm	Sept. 16th	Wes Snow	Jean Torrans & Wes Snow
Sunday	8am	Sept. 17th	Sandy Jaillet	Sandy Jaillet & Mike Dufault
	10am	Sept. 17th	Kim Brown	Steve & Kim Brown
Saturday	4:30pm	Sept. 23rd	Vita Ciccone	Wes Snow and Jack McCarthy
Sunday	8am	Sept. 24th	Jane Gingras	Kim Nolan & Harry Bellabarba
	10am	Sept. 24th	Jonah Kateau	Jacob Demont & Susan Barr

Events | Notices |

Divine Mercy Ministry to Seniors

Volunteers are needed to spread Jesus' message of Divine Mercy to seniors in local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. As a volunteer prayer group leader, you would lead a weekly 30-minute Divine Mercy prayer group using a simple prepared model of readings, prayers, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. If you feel that the Lord is calling you to this ministry of mercy, please contact Mary Higgins. (413) 552-7231 or email Mary at: DivineMercyMinistryToSeniors@gmail.com.



SAINT DENIS PARISH PARISH WEEKLY FINANCIAL SINCE 8/20/2023

REGULAR ENVELOPES	\$2,541.00
PARISH NEEDS	\$1,282.00
FUEL & MAINTENANCE	\$25.00
TOTAL	\$3,848.00
ONLINE GIVING	
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$435.00
FORMED SUBSCRIPTION	\$30.00
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION	\$400.00
PARISH TOTAL	\$4,713.00
CEMETERY	
CEMETERY ONLINE	\$25.00
CEMETERY ENVELOPE	\$41.00
TOTAL	\$66.00
DIOCESAN COLLECTION:	
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS APPEAL	\$15.00
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	\$.00
TOTAL	\$15.00

Thank you for your generous support of the parish.



A celebration for Father Francis Roach commemorating his 50th anniversary of Ordination. The event includes a Mass on Saturday, October 14th at Our Lady of Lourdes located at 1290 Grafton St., Worcester, Ma., at 4:30pm with a dinner to follow in the church hall downstairs. Father Frank came out of retirement for St. Denis Parish and was a welcome spiritual man here. Always a calm and endearing person.

If you would like to attend: Please contact Deb Levanti in the office here at St. Denis 978-827-5806 or Deacon Rich at 978-343-6367 as we need to keep a count of attendees. Father Roach would like the Knights of Columbus from our parish to attend as well. **Please RSVP by September 13th.** This is truly an honor to congratulate and celebrate this reverent man.



We Need your Help!

Our yearly Fundraiser Fair is scheduled for September 30th and coincides with the Ashburnham Downtown Days at the same time.

We are looking for help in all facets of this endeavor, such as time, donations, crafts, attic treasures, baked goods and also dear gardeners, you are welcome to share your bounty for the Harvest Booth and donations for Raffles are needed including scratch tickets for Lottery Tree. Basket raffle merchandise or pre-made baskets for raffle would also be greatly appreciated. Sign up sheets will be available after all Masses.

Donations can be dropped off on Sunday & Monday nights from 6-8pm starting Sept. 10th in Father Lacey Hall.

Please contact Melissa Gilligan #978-230-1114.