



SAINT DENIS PARISH

85 Main Street/Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

OCT. 20TH, 2024 | TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (938)



let us therefore
COME BOLDLY
to the throne of
grace
that we may find
MERCY & GRACE
in time of need

Hebrews 4:16

LORD'S DAY MASSES

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

PASTOR

Fr. David Cotter
978-827-5806

In Case of Emergency

#508-686-0394

DEACON

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978-343-6367

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BAPTISMS

Contact Parish Office
978-827-5806

NOTIFY THE RECTORY

978-827-5806
Visitation of the sick & elderly
Weddings, Funerals,
Pastoral Care, etc.

ST. DENIS CEMETERY

91 Kelton Rd
Ashburnham, MA 01430
978-343-6367
Deacon Rich DesJardins Director
<https://saintdenisashburnham.org/cemetery>

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

978-790-1923

Next Week: OCTOBER 27TH, 2024 | THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (941)

Readings: Jer 31:7-9, Heb 5:1-6, Mk 10:46-52



Sat	10/19	3:30pm	Confessions in the church
Sat	10/19	4:30pm	+For Beverly Delaney By Family
Sun	10/20	8:30 am	+For Mary & Anne Martin By John & Sandy
Sun	10/20	10:30am	+For Loretta Collette By Family
Mon	10/21	9:00am	Mass
Tues	10/22	9:00am	Mass
Wed	10/23	9:00am	+For Frances Bergstrom By Ann
Sat	10/26	3:30pm	Confessions in the Church
Sat	10/26	4:30pm	+For Olivia Moran By Friends & Family
Sun	10/27	8:30am	+For Frank Goss By Family
Sun	10/27	10:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Denis



THE DIOCESAN DISPATCH

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

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." (MARK 10:45) If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God's love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from "I want more" to "thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share". This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered. .



**TABERNACLE CANDLE
FOR THE HEALING OF
OUR LOVED ONE
ROGER WILLIAMS**



Lucy Langelier
Rebecca Harris
Ray Jacobs
Rod Bourgault
Luigi Bellabarba
Mitchell Bourque
Paul Norman Jr.
Kathleen F.
Barbara Ethier

Neal Smith
Cheryl Kelly
Jeff Shimmel
Fr. John Brown
Michelle Nevala
Fr. Bill Cormier
RaeAnne Gage
Malinowski Family
Witkowski Family
Dow Smith
Tiffany Wheeler-Hoag

John Walker
Richard Henrickis
Daranee Teapthong
Peter Grillo
Karin D'Alfonso
Ralph Perez
A.J. Peterson
Debbie G.
Roger Williams

For Our Sick ...



If you know of anyone to be added or removed, please let us know so that it stays current for St. Denis Parish.

Sacrament of Confession

Heaven rejoices over one sinner who repents! If you haven't been to confession in a couple of months or years, have no fear! God is waiting for you. Reconciliation helps us grasp that we are responsible for our lives, for how we think and act. If anyone is in need of an anointing, please see priest after Mass or call office to schedule a visit. 978-827-5806.

Saturday at 3:30pm in Church or call the office and schedule your appointment with Fr. Cotter

First Friday Mass

There will be a First Friday Mass on November 1st in St. Denis Church at 7pm with Father Cotter. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration. Come spend an hour in quietness with our Lord.



Registration for Religious Education is now open for enrollment for the new school year starting in October for Pre-K for 3to5 Year- olds and Kindergarten through 10th grade.

Registration can be done on web-site under:

Religious Education @ www.saintdenisashburnham.org

Kim Brown Director: 978-827-4892



Women meet at Fr. Lacey Hall every Wednesday from 10am to noon for the enhancement of their spiritual lives.

To join call: Kim at: 978-827-4892

MASS INTENTIONS BOOK We have 2024 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. 978-827-5806.

OCTOBER 2024 | Notices | Calendars |

DAY	DATE	TIME	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF THE CUP
Sat	Oct 19th	4:30pm	Dorene Francis	Dorene Francis & Jane Gingras
Sun	Oct 20th	8:30am	Mike Dufault	Harry Bellabarba & Mike Dufault
Sun	Oct 20th	10:30am	Sheila Donofrio	Jacob Dumont & James Kelly
Sat	Oct 26th	4:30pm	Wes Snow	Wes Snow & Vita Ciccone
Sun	Oct 27th	8:30am	Sandy Jaillet	Sandy Jaillet & Mike Gingras
Sun	Oct 27th	10:30am	Susan Barr	Susan Barr & Steve Brown

MISSIONARY APPEAL INTRODUCTION: WE WELCOME **REV. M.S. SELVA RAJ** AS OUR MISSION-PREACHER ON THIS WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 19TH & 20TH AT MASS.

REV. M.S. SELVA RAJ WILL SPEAK TO US ABOUT THE MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES AND CHALLENGES OF THE DIOCESE OF KUMBAKONAM, INDIA, IN PARTICULAR, DURING THIS SEVERE PANDEMIC, CAUSING PANIC AND HUGE LOSS OF LIFE AND LIVELIHOOD, ESPECIALLY FOR THE POOR AND THE MARGINALIZED.

OUR SECOND COLLECTION ON THESE DAYS WILL BE FOR THE PANDEMIC RELIEF- WORK AND OTHER MISSIONARY ENDEAVORS OF THAT DIOCESE.

WHEN USING A CHECK, KINDLY ISSUE IT IN FAVOR OF OUR PARISH CHURCH AS USUAL AND MARK "MISSIONS" AT THE MEMO-SECTION.

WE WELCOME **REV. M.S. SELVA RAJ**.



St. Denis Cemetery will be closing on Nov. 15th, 2024 and reopening on April 15th, 2025. Any questions or need information, please call: Deacon Richard DesJardins at: 978-343-6367.



Church Mice.

The Catholic Free Press

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or Online Giving on the parish website*

If you receive the Catholic Free Press through the Parish,
please donate using Online Giving!

The parish has to pay these fees if you do not!

Backpack Program is Back!

On the weekend of October 27th, the **11th year** of the backpack program for the homeless kicks off. WOW!

Jeff Lawrence will be in the church to distribute and give a background of this ministry. They will be working with

Outreach Director Kevin McLean once again. It is well received and very much needed and appreciated. On the weekend of October 19th & 20th, Jeff will be in the lower parking lot passing out the backpacks to start us off and an explanation of this necessary ministry on the following weekend which is the 26th and 27th.



Hurricane Relief Efforts

Catholic Charities USA is coordinating relief efforts with local Catholic Charities in communities facing such devastation from Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/ to make an online donation or to get information on how to mail a check. **100% of your donation will go to relief efforts.**

If you have been wondering how to help our fellow citizens, this is a safe way to ensure our help goes to those in most need.

ATTN: If you are aware of an incident of sexual misconduct and the suspected offender is a priest, deacon, candidate, seminarian, religious, lay minister, employee or volunteer, you are encouraged to report the matter to the Diocese of Worcester. The report can be made by phone by contacting the Director of the Office for Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363, or in writing sent to the Office for Healing and Prevention, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609.

WEEKLY OFFERING

SAINT DENIS PARISH WEEK ENDING October 13th, 2024

REGULAR ENVELOPES	\$1,250.00
PARISH NEEDS	\$1,200.00
FUEL & MAINTENANCE	\$25.00
TOTAL	\$2,475.00
ONLINE GIVING	
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$430.00
PARISH TOTAL	\$2,905.00
CEMETERY	
CEMETERY ONLINE	\$25.00
CEMETERY ENVELOPE	\$18.00
TOTAL	\$43.00
DIOCESAN COLLECTION	
MISSION APPEAL	\$5.00
TOTAL	\$5.00

Your giving matters
and makes a difference

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time:

Shout with joy about your matrimonial covenant! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will guide you along your path. You can find one by looking up wwme.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

November 1-3, 2024, Glen Rock, NY

November 4-25, 2024, (Virtual)

November 8-10, Huntington, NY

November 15-17, 2024, Bennington, VT

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 Matt & Julie King at 978-870-5646 or <https://www.mema.org/>.



"...at the origin of every human being there is not something haphazard or chance, but a loving plan of God." — Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

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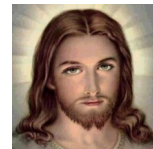
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Coffee Group meets after the 8:30 Mass on Sunday mornings.



HOLY FACE DEVOTION



Come and be part of what Jesus says is His **"most beautiful work under the sun."**

You are invited to come and explore the possibility of joining the confraternity of the **Holy Face of Jesus** on the second Thursday of the month in the evening starting Sept. 12 at 7pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Winchendon, MA, in the adoration chapel. Jesus promises numerous graces to deepen your relationship with Him. The focus and the purpose of the prayers are to make reparation to God, the Father, for the breaking of the first three commandments: idolatry, blasphemy, and irreverence. Jesus said this is His **"most beautiful work under the sun."** Pope Pius IX said: This devotion is destined to say to society, This **IS** God's divine remedy, given directly by Jesus for these days that we were living in to fight the unseen, but ever present evil in this world. The weapons of evil destroy life while the weapons of this devotion will restore your life.