



# SAINT DENIS PARISH

85 Main Street/Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

**MARCH 22nd, 2026 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (820)**



## 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– Wednesday 9am to 2pm  
Website:

[www.saintdenisashburnham.com](http://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

## SECRETARY/OFFICE

Debra Levanti  
[stdenis@comcast.net](mailto:stdenis@comcast.net)  
978-827-5806

## RELIGIOUS ED. OFFICE

Administrator of Rel ED  
Regina Steigelman  
[StDenisRE@comcast.net](mailto:StDenisRE@comcast.net)  
978-827-4892

## 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

81 Kelton Rd  
Ashburnham, MA 01430  
978-827-5806  
David Levanti: Director  
978-350-4273  
[https://saintdenisashburnham.org/  
cemetery](https://saintdenisashburnham.org/cemetery)

## SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

978-790-1923

**Next Week: | March 29th 2026 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (823)**

*Readings: Matthew 21:1-11, Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14-27:66*



**THE DIOCESAN DISPATCH**

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

Sat	3/21	3:30pm	<b>Confessions in the Church</b>
Sat	3/22	4:30pm	For the Parishioners of St. Denis
Sun	3/22	8:30am	+For Michael Goss(1 yr anniv) <i>By Family</i>
Sun	3/22	10:30am	For the Parishioners of St. Denis
Mon	3/23	9:00am	Mass
Tues	3/24	9:00am	Mass
Wed	3/25	9:00am	Mass
Fri	3/27	6:30pm	<b>Stations of The Cross-Prayers</b>
Sat	3/28	3:30pm	<b>Confessions in the Church</b>
Sat	3/28	4:30pm	Mass of Thanksgiving <i>By Dorene &amp; Joe Francis</i>
Sun	3/29	8:30am	+For Mary & Anne Martin <i>By John &amp; Sandy</i>
Sun	3/29	10:30am	For World Peace



***Fifth Sunday of Lent***

“Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’” (JOHN 11:40) Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren’t going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God’s active presence in our daily lives and we become “partakers of the divine nature.”

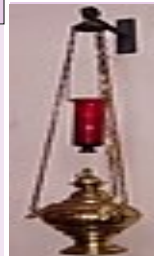


Rebecca Harris  
Ray Jacobs  
Rod Bourgault  
Mitchell Bourque  
Paul Norman Jr.  
Jeff Shimmel  
Fr. John Brown  
Fr. Bill Cormier  
RaeAnne Gage  
Donnie Pervier  
John Philip Wolf  
Jeff Lawrence  
Lisa Carleton  
Leona Simko  
Carl Bashore

Richard Henrickis  
Karin D’Alfonso  
John Kunzinger  
Christine Harris  
Kate Amdur  
Deb Buxton  
Philip Heinz  
John Arsenault  
Ann M.  
Andrea E. Bernabey  
Cullen Creel  
Jean T  
Heather Walker  
Lisa Skaife  
John Walker  
Carolyn Bashore

Edith LeBlanc  
Roland LeBlanc  
Vincent Anthony  
Jim Dufour  
Winter Berry  
Joe Montalto  
Carmen Rosa-Fashaw  
Isaiah  
Alice Lashua  
Judy  
Julian Guerrero  
Ann Bryant  
Karen Brown  
Mary Walker  
Amy K. Boudreau  
Nikita Andrade

*For Our Sick ...*



**TABERNACLE CANDLE  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
FATHER  
JOHN HORGAN**

**OUR PARISH COMMUNITY.....**

*Offers prayers and condolences to the family of  
**FATHER JOHN HORGAN**  
who has been born into eternal life.*



*If anyone is in need of an anointing, please see priest  
after Mass or call office to schedule a visit. 978-827-5806*

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

**MASS INTENTIONS BOOK**

We have 2026

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. Office# 978-827-5806.

***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.*

# Upcoming

DAY	DATE	TIME	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF THE CUP
Sat	Mar 21st	4:30pm	Wes Snow	Wes S. & Jack McCarthy
Sun	Mar 22nd	8:30am	Mike Dufault	Mike D. & Harry Bellabarba
Sun	Mar 22nd	10:30am	John Morand	John M. & Joe Ciras
Sat	Mar 28th	4:30pm	Sherise Sterling	
Sun	Mar 29th	8:30am	Bob Feen	Sandi Jaillet & Bob Feen
Sun	Mar 29th	10:30am	Emma Horgan	M. Gilligan & J. DeMont

**SIGN UP SHEETS IN ENTRY-WAY OF CHURCH FOR HOLY WEEK**

**FULL SCHEDULE WILL BE POSTED IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN**

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Palm Sunday begins Holy Week.**  
**Holy Thursday Mass 4/2 @ 7:30pm**  
**Good Friday Stations of the Cross 4/3 @ 3:00pm**  
**Good Friday Service 4/3 @ 7:30pm**  
**Easter Vigil Mass 4/4 @ 7:30pm**  
**Easter Sunday Mass 4/5 @ 10:00am**

Help us to remove our judgment of the sins and failings of others. Mold our hearts after Your Sacred Heart, O Lord. A heart filled with patience, compassion, and understanding for our brothers and sisters.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



*Strengthening the Church at Home*

## Deanery Lenten Pilgrimage

**A COMMUNITY JOURNEY**



DURING THIS HOLY SEASON OF LENT, WE INVITE YOU TO TAKE PART IN OUR DEANERY LENTEN PILGRIMAGE, HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY THROUGHOUT LENT.

EACH EVENING WILL INCLUDE:

**CONFESSIONS AT 6:00 PM**

**PRAYER SERVICE AT 7:00 PM**

THIS PILGRIMAGE IS A BEAUTIFUL OPPORTUNITY TO PAUSE, REFLECT, AND ENCOUNTER GOD'S MERCY AS WE JOURNEY TOGETHER TOWARD EASTER.

MARCH 25 – ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR, WESTMINSTER

APRIL 1- HOLY CROSS, TEMPLETON

APRIL 12 – **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**, ANNUNCIATION PARISH, GARDNER



Immaculate Heart of Mary warmly invites all of us to a Polish Mass at 12:00pm. on March 22nd with a Lenten Concert also at 2PM in Winchendon. Let us show our deanery support for this beautiful spiritual event as we continue our Lenten journey. Thank you for your presence, unity, and shared commitment to our parishes.

### *Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Palm Sunday*

Are you looking to put Christ in your marriage? Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on one of the dates below. For more info go to: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org)

April 17-19, 2026, Silver Bay YMCA, Silver Bay, NY

April 24-26, 2026, Corpus Christi Parish, East Sandwich, MA

June 26-28, 2026, Huntington Seminary, Huntington, NY

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

# St. Denis Parish Parish

## WEEK ENDING March 15TH, 2026

REGULAR ENVELOPES	\$1,749.61
PARISH NEEDS	\$555.00
FUEL & MAINTENANCE	\$1,260.00
EASTER FLOWERS	\$235.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,799.61</b>
<b>ONLINE GIVING</b>	
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$500.00
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,299.61</b>
<b>CEMETERY</b>	
CEMETERY ONLINE	\$25.00
CEMETERY ENVELOPE	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>DIOCESAN COLLECTION</b>	
	\$ .00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ .00</b>

Your  
giving  
matters  
and makes a difference



In other News: We need more volunteers! Please show your support by signing up. It will be greatly appreciated. This supports our parish!! Some ideas for fund-raising have been a cookbook, please get your recipes in, Taco Tuesday night, game night, bake sales, pot-luck etc.. so get your ideas in and we will consider them all!!

Update: We have received many lovely recipes so please keep them coming!

We'd like to thank Jacob and Matt for climbing the ladder to cover the cross last Sunday! It is greatly appreciated and the Decorating Committee was so grateful! Well Done!

Coffee Group meets after the 8:30  
Mass on Sundays Join us!



PRESENTED BY CHRISTOPHER WEST MUSIC BY MIKE MANGIONE

ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY, COME TO.....



## THE WELL

AN EVENING OF BEAUTY, REFLECTION, AND EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The heart burns with a mysterious thirst; THE WELL is an invitation to quench that thirst. THE WELL engages the imagination and the senses with live music by Mike Mangione and the dynamic presentation of Christopher West, for a revival like you've never experienced before. Come, all who are thirsty, come to THE WELL!

MAY 14, 2026  
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH  
49 WOODLAND STREET  
FITCHBURG, MA 01420



KIM BROWN STEVEANDKIM33@YAHOO.COM 508-331-0162

Save the Date - World renowned speaker and author Christopher West, along with award winning musician Mike Mangione, are coming to St. Joseph Parish in Fitchburg on Thursday May 14th for an evening of Eucharistic Revival. Through an artistic blend of visual beauty, musical story-telling, and inspiring reflection, THE WELL will help you find living water welling up in you! Doors will open at 6:30PM with the presentation beginning at 7:00 and concluding at 9:30. Tickets are available for \$25 at our parish office.

**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.**



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