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# Denis



## Go Make Disciples

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### WEEKEND MASSES

Live on Facebook Saturday at 4 pm

Sunday posted on the website

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Live on Facebook at 9 am Mon.-Fri.

### PARISH COUNCIL

Mr. Bob Lafond (Chairman)

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### Food Pantry Hrs.

Mon. 4-6pm Wed. 1-3pm Sat. 12-2



St. Denis Church



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## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

**FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE  
ARE GATHERED IN  
MY NAME,  
THERE AM I AMONG THEM.**

*"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. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, especially the one that means the most to us.

### Welcome to our Parish Community

Office Hours: Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri  
9 am- 1pm & 2pm-5pm

23 Manchaug St. Douglas, MA 01516

[www.saintdenischurch.com](http://www.saintdenischurch.com)



## Mass Intentions

We will still record the Masses LIVE and on our website so they can be viewed at home. If you scheduled a Mass to be offered for your loved one during the time we were away and you'd like to reschedule, please call the Office.

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday September 5	4 pm	† John R. Brown By: The Family
Sunday September 6	7 am 10:15 am	† George Paine Jr. By: The Family † Mary Saviano By: The Family
Monday September 7	8:30 am	† All Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday September 8	8:30 am	† Lori Cyr By: Gail & Wayne Hickey
Wednesday September 9	8:30 am	† Bill Norberg By: Nancy
Thursday September 10		No Mass
Friday September 11		No Mass
Saturday September 12	4 pm	† Catherine & Stephen Gressak † Wanda & Edward Therrien By: BettyJean Gressak
Sunday September 13	7 am 10:15 am	† Mr. Joseph Gavlak † Felix & Josie Yacino



We light this week's Tabernacle Candle to pray for the special intentions of:

**John R. Brown**

## Still Happening This Week

**Weekend Masses will resume with strict guidelines, and Masses will also be available for those who still prefer to stay home for health reasons at:**

**St. Denis Church or on our website at:**

**[www.saintdenischurch.com](http://www.saintdenischurch.com)**

### **SATURDAY September 5**

12-2 Douglas Food Pantry Open—R  
2 pm Confession—GR  
4 pm MASS

### **SUNDAY September 6**

7 am MASS  
10:15 am MASS  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY—Available  
all day on our website

### **MONDAY September 7**

8:30 am MASS  
4-6 pm Douglas Food Pantry Open—R

### **TUESDAY September 8**

8:30 am MASS  
6:30 pm GOSPEL EXPLORATION—on Zoom

### **WEDNESDAY September 9**

8:30 am MASS  
1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry Open—R  
5:30-8 pm Stewardship Mtg.—NC  
7 pm HOLY HOUR

### **THURSDAY September 10**

7 pm Al-Anon—H (10 person limit)

### **SATURDAY September 12**

12-2 Douglas Food Pantry Open—R  
2 pm Confession—GR  
4 pm MASS

### **SUNDAY September 13**

7 am MASS  
10:15 am MASS  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY—Available  
all day on our website



## GOSPEL EXPLORATION

### **TUESDAY ZOOM ENCOUNTER AT 6:30 pm**

This is a multi-media journey through the Gospel Readings for the coming Sunday. Live discussions encourage a deeper understanding of our Gospel. Discussions can be joined and followed on ZOOM.

Information on how to participate will be available on Facebook.

Grab your tea and join us.

## PLEASE REGISTER FOR FALL CLASSES!!

Our Faith Formation Online Registrations for the fall have been sent to families.

**If you did not receive the registration, please call the Rectory and we will be sure that one is sent to you.**

**More information on how classes will be held will be coming soon. Please bear with us.**

**Online Giving benefits our parish in many important ways.**

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**Does Online Giving Really Benefit Our Parish?**

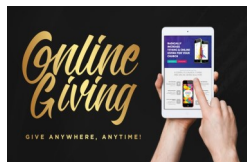
**Yes It Does!**

1. Less time required to process collections. No more manual entries so office staff will be able to process data efficiently.
2. Predictable contributions. More predictable cash flow helping us plan our ministries better.
3. Accommodates special collections/missions, making it easier for everyone to participate in the ministry of our parish.

**WEEKLY FINANCES FOR AUGUST: Thank you for your continued support of St. Denis Parish**

**Offertory Income: Average \$3,013**

**Maintenance Monthly income: \$636**



## FILL—A—TRUCK FUNDRAISER



## Job Opening

Church Custodian: Up to 10 hrs/week, The custodian has the responsibility for the appearance, maintenance of the building and grounds, as well as the overall cleanliness of St. Denis Church, snow shoveling in the winter and some handy work as needed.

Interested candidates please contact Fr. Juan at:  
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## GIFT CARDS wanted

Due to the pandemic we will collect only gift cards that we can give to families in need to purchase school supplies. Gift cards to WalMart or office supply stores are welcomed and can be dropped off at the Rectory or put in the collection baskets.



## Support St. Denis while shopping at Amazon

When you shop at Amazon, you can have a portion of your qualified purchases donated to St. Denis. **St. Denis is now part of Amazon Smile!** Click the link below to support St. Denis when you purchase: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/04-2106725>

**Once you've set your account with St. Denis Church (Douglas) as your charity, be sure to bookmark the link - the donations only come in if you use the "Smile.Amazon.com" shopping portal.**

If you already shop through Amazon Smile and would like to change your charity of choice to St. Denis: Log in to your Amazon account, and click the "Supporting" link just under the search bar. Click "change" next to your current charity, then type "St. Denis Church" in the "Or pick your own charitable organization" field. Be sure to choose the St. Denis Church in DOUGLAS.

**Be sure to share this link with your family and friends - every qualifying purchase will help our parish!**

## St. Denis Cemetery—Eagle Project Update—From Ryan Stickney

The Prayer Garden at St. Denis Cemetery was completed this past January and I am happy to report that it was a great success. The project began last September and was completely funded by your generous donations. I am thankful for everyone who donated and volunteered their time and talent to this project. The completion of this project was the final step on the path to earn the rank of Eagle Scout. In June with masks and social distancing guidelines in place, a small group met at the Prayer Garden and I was finally able to have my Eagle Board of Review. That night I was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout.

I graduated from Douglas High School in August and I am now a freshman at Fitchburg State University. I am majoring in Communications and have a part time job at Ahearn Equipment in Spencer creating video content for their marketing department.

I would like to thank the following people – without their help, this project would not have been possible.

Father Juan, Nancy Norberg, Roland Richard, John Sansoucy of Sansoucy Stone, Jack and Kris Blatchford, Andrea and Dave Cortese, Tracey and Mike Coppellotti, Rob Lanava of Troop 37, Ken Simpson, Bill Peck, Denis Mulligan, Peter Boll, the scouts and leaders of Troop 316 and my family, Mark, Kelly and Connor Stickney.







# Bottle & Can Drive

2020 High School Students' Community Service Event

**Saturday September 26th**  
**8:00 am to 2:00 pm**

## FUNDRAISER HELPS ST. DENIS CHURCH

### What is Accepted:

- **Bottles and CANS that are clearly marked as eligible for Return Deposit in MA** (such as many brands of beer, wine coolers, and soda)
- **All donations must be rinsed and bagged as fully sorted as possible.** For instance, one bag per brand of beer bottles; another bag of soda cans that are all Coke products.

### What is NOT Accepted:

- **Bottles and CANS that are NOT eligible for Return Deposit in MA** Please check each item to be sure it is marked for Return Deposit for MA. If the label has been damaged or removed, we can not accept it.
- **Dirty or sticky bottles and cans.** Anything you bring will need to be checked and handled by our student volunteers. Please be considerate of them and everyone else who will need to handle your donated bottles and cans.

### How it Helps:

Your returnables will be turned into cash for St. Denis Parish!

### Why Pre-Sorting is SO IMPORTANT!

You will be asked to stay with your donations until they've been checked and sorted. We'll get you on your way MUCH faster if you've pre-sorted!

### How to Sort Your Returnables:

#### FIRST BY TYPE AND SIZE...

- **Please sort all like items together.** For instance, keep all glass bottles separate from all aluminum cans or plastic bottles.
- **Do not mix sizes of plastic bottles** – please keep all 2 liter bottles separate from 1 liter bottles. All other plastic bottle sizes (24, 16 or 12 oz) can be sorted together.

#### ...THEN, BAG EACH TYPE/SIZE BAG BY BRAND

- **After sorting by type and size, then bag by brand and/or supplier.** A complete list of brands that can be bagged together (by type and size, of course) can be found by clicking here on our website:

**[SaintDenisChurch.com/fall-cleanup-events](http://SaintDenisChurch.com/fall-cleanup-events)**

(Click on Bottle & Can Drive tab to download list)



# Fill-A-Truck

2020 High School Students' Community Service Event

**Saturday September 26th**  
**8:00 am to 2:00 pm**

## DONATIONS HELP THOSE IN NEED

### **What is Accepted:**

- **Clothing** – pants, shirts, sweaters, socks, underwear, coats (cloth only)
- **Accessories** – pocketbooks, shoes, boots, belts
- **Linens** – blankets, spreads, comforters, sheets, pillow cases, towels, facecloths, curtains, drapes

**NEW or GENTLY USED items only, please!**

(clean, still has plenty of life, are free of smells, rips, and stains)

### **How it Helps:**

Donations are collected by Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope and are used to stock The Little Store in Worcester. Overflow items are turned into cash and fund charitable works.

### **Tax Forms:**

Donors may obtain a donation letter by emailing your name and address along with a list of your donations to [mailbox@urbanmissionaries.com](mailto:mailbox@urbanmissionaries.com).

### **Additional Drop-Off THIS EVENT ONLY:**

Bags of items may be left at the Rectory garage between 9:00am and 5:00pm on Wed, Thurs and Fri Sept. 23, 24 and 25.



# Recycling

2020 High School Students' Community Service Event

**Saturday September 26th**  
**8:00 am to 2:00 pm**

## FUNDRAISER HELPS ST. DENIS CHURCH

### What is Accepted:

Item	Fee
Refrigerator . . . . .	\$ 50
Monitor/TV 40" and larger . . . . .	\$ 38
Monitor/TV up to 40" . . . . .	\$ 25
Air Conditioner (any size) . . . . .	\$ 25
Dehumidifier (any size) . . . . .	\$ 25
Treadmills and Fitness Equipment . . . . .	\$ 25
Lawn Mowers (gas and oil drained) . . . . .	\$ 25
Small Lawn Equipment (gas and oil drained) . . . . .	\$ 15
Microwaves . . . . .	\$ 15
Washer/Dryer (each) . . . . .	\$ 10
Gas Grills (without tank) . . . . .	\$ 10
CPU (including mouse, keyboard, cables) . . . . .	\$ 5
Small Printers, DVRs, VCRs . . . . .	\$ 5

### What is NOT ACCEPTED:

Flourescent Bulbs, Snow Blowers, Mercury Products and anything else not listed above.

### How it Helps:

Profits from the recycling fees stay here at St.Denis.

### Payment:

Cash or Checks ONLY – Checks payable to St. Denis Church.

NOTE: You are responsible for unloading/loading your items.



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