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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4pm—Sunday 7 & 10:15am

Live on Facebook Saturday at 4pm
Sunday posted on the website

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues., & Wed. at 8:30 am

Live on Facebook at 8:30 am Mon.-Wed.
Posted on our website

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Food Pantry Hrs.

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



St. Denis Church



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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 20, 2020



"So the last will be first and the first last." (Matthew 20:16) You've heard the saying "It's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

Welcome to our Parish Community

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

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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 19	4 pm	† Matthew Jackson By: Gail & Ken Langley
Sunday September 20	7 am	† Mrs. Susan Gavlak
	10:15 am	† Joe Stand By: The Family
Monday September 21	8:30 am	† All Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday September 22	8:30 am	† Mr. Francis Gavlak
Wednesday September 23	8:30 am	† Tom Norberg By: Nancy
Thursday September 24		No Mass
Friday September 25		No Mass
Saturday September 26	4 pm	† Craig McCallum By: BettyAnn McCallum
Sunday September 27	7 am	† Ann Desriusseaux By: Marie Checkosky
	10:15 am	† Daniel Archambault (20th Ann) By: The Family



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

Joe & Betty Stand, Jim & Deb

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

SATURDAY September 19

12-2 Douglas Food Pantry Open—R

2 pm Confession—GR

4 pm MASS

SUNDAY September 20

7 am MASS

10:15 am MASS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY—Available all day on our website

MONDAY September 21

8:30 am MASS

4-6 pm Douglas Food Pantry Open—R

TUESDAY September 22

8:30 am MASS

5-6 pm Girl Scout Troop—Church lawn

6:30 pm GOSPEL EXPLORATION—on Zoom

WEDNESDAY September 23

8:30 am MASS

1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry Open—R

7 pm HOLY HOUR

THURSDAY September 24

7 pm Al-Anon—H (10 person limit)

SATURDAY September 26

8am-2pm—FILL-A-TRUCK (Recycle Day—St. Denis Back Parking Lot

12-2 Douglas Food Pantry Open—R

2 pm Confession—GR

4 pm MASS

4-6 pm—SPAGHETTI SUPPER—

Knights of Columbus Hall, Whitinsville

SUNDAY September 27

7 am MASS

10:15 am MASS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY—Available



GOSPEL EXPLORATION

TUESDAY ZOOM ENCOUNTER AT 6:30 pm

This week's ZOOM meeting topic is *ALL ABOUT SCAPULARS*.

Please join us on Tuesday evening as we continue to explore our beautiful Catholic Faith.

Information on how to participate will be available on Facebook.

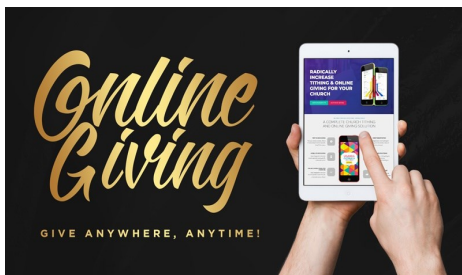
Grab your tea and join us.

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.



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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.
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3. Accommodates special collections/missions, making it easier for everyone to participate in the ministry of our parish.



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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! Support St. Denis with your qualifying purchases: <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.

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every qualifying purchase will help our parish!**

SEPTEMBER 26
8 AM—2 PM

FILL—A—TRUCK FUNDRAISER

* Recycle your cans/bottles

* For a small fee we will take all your
electronics!

* We will collect and recycle old clothing,
linens, towels and accessories.

All donations help those in need.



Congratulations to Nancy Colonero who will turn 103 on September 23rd. Nancy, our whole parish rejoices with you and your family on such a special occasion. Your wisdom, joy and prayers

are truly a gift for our community. "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace." (Num 6: 24-26)

Happy Birthday!!



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For the month of October, **Douglas Food Pantry** will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the \$2.50 reusable **Fight Hunger Bag** at the Hannaford store located at 158 No. Main Street, Uxbridge MA. AND the **Give Back Where it Counts** bags at Shaw's Store at 1177 Providence Rd in Whitinsville.

When you do your shopping at Hannaford or Shaw's you help the local Food Pantries and those in our communities who are in need.

THANK YOU

On the Road with Deacon Pat

Join Deacon Pat on a journey of faith with some more parishioners. Featured speaker to come will be Debra Gannon, Dolores Colonero, and Eleanor Brown.

Loaves & Fishes

Join Fr. Juan with some homemade recipes to feed your body and soul. Upcoming Sessions will be Live on Facebook on October 5th and November 2nd at 5:30 pm.

Rock 'n Roll with Nancy

Join Nancy Norberg for a simple guitar lesson for beginners. The first session will be on Friday October 9th at 6:30 pm on Zoom.

Job Opening

Church Custodian: Up to 10 hrs./week. The custodian has the responsibility for the appearance, maintenance of the buildings and grounds, as well as the overall cleanliness of St. Denis Church, snow shoveling in the winter (snowblower available) and some handywork as needed.

Interested candidates please
contact Fr. Juan at:
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3 Great Fall Cleanup Projects!

2020 High School Students' Community Service Event



Bottle & Can Drive

FUNDRAISER HELPS OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

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 (ie, Coke, Sprite, Barq's Root Beer).

What is NOT Accepted:

- Bottles and CANS that are NOT eligible for Return Deposit in MA (such as hard cider, coffee drinks, juice, lemonade, iced tea, milk drinks, sports drinks, and water). 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!

Due to the pandemic, and the recycling center's requirements, we are being asked to supply everything sorted as described in the link below. Any amount of pre-sorting you can do ahead of time will help protect our students, as items will need to be handled less. If you are unable to pre-sort, we will still accept your donations.

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

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

Saturday September. 26th – 8:00 am to 2:00 pm • See other side for more!



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.

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.

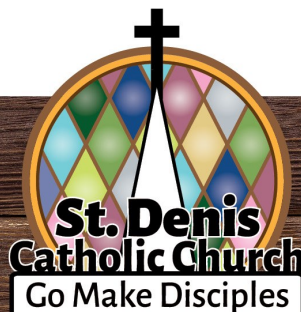


Saturday, Sept. 26th
4:00 to 6:00 pm

Knights of Columbus
Mumford Council #365 Mumford Hall
77 Prescott Road, Whitinsville MA
508-234-9879

\$8/meal - Cash Only

Proceeds will go to the
St. Denis New Windows Fund





Diocese of Worcester
Office of the Bishop
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September 14, 2020

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I wish to express my gratitude to the parishioners of Saint Denis Parish for their generosity to the *Annual Partners in Charity Appeal*. As you know, your parish has exceeded its goal. In light of this important accomplishment, I offer my deepest appreciation.

This year, our theme for the Partners in Charity 2020 appeal is *Envision Faith in Action*.. As we plan to provide for the needs of thousands of people in the Diocese of Worcester in the year ahead, we are reminded that charity is the very heart of the Christian Life. Your support of 26 charitable, educational, and pastoral programs is an excellent witness of your own Christian generosity. I cannot imagine what it would have been like these past few months if these agencies and ministries had not been able to respond to so many needy people. Unfortunately this crisis isn't over.

I am very grateful for the efforts of Rev. Juan Escudero who helped to promote the annual appeal at Saint Denis Parish in Douglas. Please be assured of my appreciation for the goodness of those parishioners who joined as partners in the ministry of our Diocesan Church to enable us to achieve this accomplishment.

Please be assured of my prayers for your health and safety and that of all your loved ones during these challenging months to come.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
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<i>Lori (Manyak) Cyr</i>	<i>Gerard & Mary Picard</i>	<i>Tim Guertin</i>
<i>Dennis Halley</i>	<i>Debbie Carey</i>	<i>Marilyn Halley</i>

In memory of the family members of Joseph Brown & Mary Paciga

<i>Catherine & Stephen Gressak</i>	<i>Wanda & Edward Therrien</i>
<i>Joan & Joseph Virotek</i>	<i>Sister Mary Denis</i>
<i>Joseph & Maryellen Friend</i>	<i>H. Edward Phelps</i>
<i>Norma Baker</i>	<i>The Sughrue & Kellett Families</i>
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