



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2023

Lent



How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

Readings: 1 Sm 16; 1b, 6-7,10-13a Psalm 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41

Welcome to Our Parish Community!

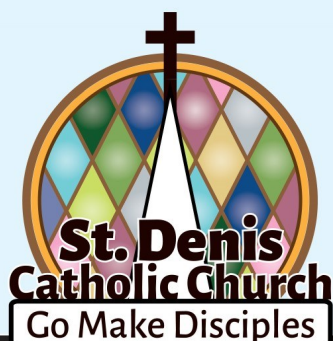
Weekend Masses Sat. 4pm (Live on Facebook) — Sun. 7 & 10:15am

Weekday Masses Mon, Tue and Wed – 8:30 am

Confessions Sat. 3:15-3:45 pm or by appointment

Food Pantry Hours Mon 4-6 pm and Wed 1-3 pm

Rectory Office Hours Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri – 9 am to 1 pm & 2-5 pm



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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Date	Time	Intention
Saturday March 18	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession The People of St. Denis
Sunday March 19	7 am 10:15 am	† Mary McCarthy By: Helen Anderson † Keith Arsenault (3rd Ann.)
Monday March 20	8:30 am	† Susan Gavlak By: Pauline Gavlak
Tuesday March 21	8:30 am	† Julius Gavlak By: The Family
Wednesday March 22	8:30 am	† Emma, Estelle, & Edward Jussaume By: The Familuy
Thursday March 23	8:30 am	No Mass
Friday March 24	8:30 am 7 pm	No Mass LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Saturday March 25	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession The People of St. Denis
Sunday March 26	7 am 10:15 am	† Mary McCarthy By: Helen Anderson † Keith Arsenault (3rd Ann.) By: Paula & Susan



We light this week's Tabernacle Candle to pray for **WILLIAM AMIDON**

Stewardship in our Parish Budget

Weekend of March 11/12

Envelopes & Cash	\$ 2,981
Online	\$ 1,245
Weekly electronic	\$ 345
Monthly electronic	\$ 130
Maintenance	\$ 135
Debt Reduction	\$ 65
CASH Calendar sales	\$ 150
In memory/Joyce Virostek	\$ 660
Food Pantry	\$ 10



Happening This Week

If you have been away—
Welcome Back!

If you're here to stay—
We're glad you're here.

SATURDAY March 18

11 am First Reconciliation (Grade 2)
3:15 pm Confessions
4 pm MASS

SUNDAY March 19

7 am MASS
10:15 am MASS
11:30 AM— INFO MTG FOR
HOLY LAND
3 pm Passion Play Rehearsal—C
6 pm Living Stations Rehearsal—C

MONDAY March 20

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

TUESDAY March 21

8:30 am MASS
6:45 pm Troop 316—H
WEDNESDAY March 22

8:30 am MASS
1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry OPEN—R
5:30 pm AA Meeting—H
6:30 pm PARISH LENTEN MISSION—C
THURSDAY March 23

6-7 pm Girl Scouts—H
7 pm Al-Anon—H
FRIDAY March 24

5-6:30 pm **FISH DINNER TONIGHT—H**
(DINE IN OR TAKEOUT)

7 pm **LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS—Come support our Youth!**

SATURDAY March 25

3:15 pm Confessions
4 pm MASS

SUNDAY March 26

7 am MASS
8:30 am Grades 1-6
10:15 am MASS
2 pm Baptism
3 pm Passion Play Rehearsal
6 pm Grades 7 & 8

Plan to
join us for
**FISH
DINNER
THIS
FRIDAY
FOLOWED
BY
STATIONS
AT 6:30
PM**



**EVERY FRIDAY
STATIONS OF
THE CROSS
6:30 PM AT
ST. DENIS
CHURCH**

The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross or Via Crucis,

commemorate Jesus's passion and death on the cross. There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on His journey to Calvary.

Join us on this journey together.



Budget Envelope Company

As you are all aware, our weekly envelopes have not been available for February and March. Due to supply chain issues and the inability to add employees, this has created a slow draw on production and shipping. New envelope packets should arrive for April /May. We are sorry for any inconvenience this has caused.

There are temporary envelopes available in the vestibule, and if you know your envelope # please put that on the envelope. Thank you!

Save the date!

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY MARCH 24 AT 7:00 PM

Our Confirmation and High School students will be presenting the **LIVING STATIONS** on Friday March 24th at 7:00 pm in the church. This is a powerful journey, as seen through the eyes of Mary, the mother of God, as she follows the Passion and Death of her only Son. Please plan to join us as we journey together through the stations.



Plan to join us on this journey and support our youth in their efforts.

CASH RAFFLE WINNERS

March 11—Denise Jussaume	March 12—Cindy Curtis
March 13—Gerald Stilwell	March 14—Andrew Boucher
March 15—June Pope	March 16—George Banville
March 17— Kay Carelli	



ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS

The Catholic Women's Council will be accepting applications for a Scholarship. SCHOLARSHIP FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR GRADUATING SENIORS IN THE VESTIBULE.

Applications are due by April 30, 2023

THE NEXT MEETING OF OUR CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COUNCIL WILL BE ON **THURSDAY APRIL 13TH AT 6:30 PM .**

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.



INFORMATION MEETING THIS SUNDAY MARCH 19 AT 11:30 AM



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND AND JORDAN November 5-18

Join us on a LIFE-CHANGING pilgrimage journey to the Holy Land and Jordan. Under the Spiritual direction of Rev. Nelson Rivera, Rev. Javier Julio, Rev. Juan Herrera and Deacon Patrick Stewart.

If you know someone who may be interested please encourage them to come find out more.

PASSION PLAY— REHEARSAL THIS SUNDAY AT 3 PM

All who will be participating in this year's Passion Play on Palm Sunday weekend, please join us for our first rehearsal this Sunday at 4 PM. We will meet in the church.. For more information or to sign up to help, please contact **Kris Blatchford at 508-476-2919 or jblatchford@charter.net**

Our next **Day of Prayer & Adoration** will be on Wednesday **APRIL 5TH** we will have Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am—6:45 pm with Benediction at 6:45 pm. **What better way to spend Holy Week.**

THERE IS a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for anyone who can come and spend some time in the church for Adoration.

Come spend some quiet time in prayer this LENT.



2023 Lenten Schedule

Ash Wednesday - Feb. 22nd

Mass and distribution of ashes at 8:30am and 6:00pm (Facebook Live)
Liturgy of the Word & ashes - Noon & 4:00pm

Weekday Masses - 8:30am Mon, Tue and Wed

Confessions - Saturdays 3:15-3:45pm, or by appt

Stations of the Cross - Fridays during Lent 6:30pm

Children's Stations (4th & 5th Grade Readers) - Mar. 3rd - 6:30pm

Living Stations (HS Year II students) - Mar. 24th - 7:00pm

Stations at the Cemetery - Good Friday 10:00am

Everyone is welcome to attend any/all of these Stations; these special ones above are not to be missed!

Holy Day of Adoration - Wed Mar. 1st & Apr. 5th - 9:00am to 7:00pm, with benediction and blessing at 6:45pm

Lenten Mission - Mar. 15th, 22nd & 29th - 6:30pm
(watch for more information)

Fish Dinners - most Fridays during Lent (Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 17, 24, 31) - 5:00-6:30pm
Dine In or Take Out - see website for more info or to order in advance. Help is always welcome; contact the Rectory if you would like to share your time.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner - Saturday Mar. 11th - 5:00pm - see website for more info or to reserve tickets. Consider volunteering for this fun evening!

Mass with Healing Service & Anointing of the Sick - Sunday Mar. 5th - 2:00pm

St. Denis Parish is invited to St. Mark's in Sutton for this special Mass. Anyone who is in need of healing, either physically, mentally and/or spiritually is welcome.

Youth Adoration Night at Our Lady of Hope (St. James in Grafton) - Friday Mar. 10th - 6:00pm
Teens and youth of the Parish are encouraged to come spend some time in prayer and adoration.

St. Monica Circle - Tuesdays - Mar. 7th, Apr. 4th - 6:30pm
Join us in prayer and discussion as we pray for our loved ones to return to the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome - no commitment required! Join us on Wed. Mar. 1st at Noon for a special hour of Adoration in the church focused on St. Monica and praying for those who've left the faith.

Catholic Women's Council (CWC) Meeting - Thursday, Mar. 9th - 6:30pm
All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Registration for Faith Formation for the 2023-2024 Program - Prek through High School - Kicks off on Palm Sunday weekend. Registration information will be sent via Flocknote to families registered in our current year's program. If you are new to the parish and would like to register for classes starting in the fall, please contact Kathy Archambault at 508-476-2002 x2 or by email at karchambault@saintdenischurch.com.

Rice Bowls - Throughout Lent Rice bowls are available for pickup on the table in the entryway of the church. Money collected goes to Catholic Relief Services to help feed those in need. Donations should be returned by Palm Sunday Weekend.

LENT 2023

See the other side for all of the services
and events going on during Lent.

HOLY WEEK - Apr. 2nd - 9th

Palm Sunday - April 1st & 2nd
Vigil - 4:00pm (Facebook Live) Passion Play at 4:00 and 10:15
Sunday - 7:00 & 10:15am

Weekday Mass - 8:30am Mon, Tue & Wed

Holy Thursday - Thursday April 6th

Morning Prayer - 8:30am

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00pm - (Facebook Live)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - following Mass and continuing to Midnight

Good Friday - Friday April 7th

Morning Prayer - 8:30am

Stations of the Cross at the Cemetery - 10:00am (weather permitting) Hands on experience
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - 7:00pm (Facebook Live)

Holy Saturday - Saturday April 8th

Morning Prayer - 8:30am

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets - 9:00am in the church

Easter Vigil Mass - 8:00pm - (Facebook Live) **NO 4:00PM MASS THIS DAY**

Easter Sunday - Sunday April 9th

Masses - 9:00am & 11:00am - Easter egg hunts following both Masses

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 16th (2nd Sunday of Easter) **Holy Hour** from 2:00 to 3:00pm and solemn prayer of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm (Facebook Live)



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Sister Mary Denis
Joan & Joseph Virostek

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 loved one in our bulletin for 1 year.
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