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"When you go, tell them this: 'The kingdom of heaven is coming soon."

- Matthew 10:7-8 -

"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'" (Matthew 10:7) Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent." Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

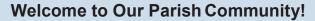
READINGS:

Exodus 19:2-6a

Psalm 100

Romans 5:6-11

Matt 9:36-10:8



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 Monday—Thursday – 9 am to 1 pm & 2-5 pm

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St. Denis Church



Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession
June 17	+ pm	† Betty Stand By: The Family
	7 am	† The People of St. Denis
Sunday June 18	10:15 am	† Truman Pierce By: Denis Pierce
Monday June 19	8:30 am	† All Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday June 20	8:30 am	† Fr. Arthur Ouillette
Wednesday June 21	8:30 am	† Msgr. Louis R. Piermarini
Thursday June 22		NO MASS
Friday June 23		NO MASS
	3:15 pm	Confession
Saturday June 24	10 am 4 pm	Funeral Mass (Shannon) † Barbara Yacino By: The Family
Sunday June 25	7 am	† Mary McCarthy By: Helen Anderson
	10:15 am	† Lori (Manyak) Cyr By: The Family



We light this week's Tabernacle Candle to pray for SHIRLEY & RICHARD ANDERSON

Stewardship in our Parish Budget

Weekend of June 10/11

Envelopes & Cash Online Weekly electronic Monthly electronic Debt Reduction Maintenance	\$ 2, \$ \$ \$ \$	604 880 345 130 62 252
Food Pantry	\$	317.46
Catholic Communications	\$	32



Happening This Week

If you have been away— Welcome Back!

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

SPECIAL BLESSING FOR FATHERS THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY June 17

3:15 pm Confession 4:00 pm MASS

SUNDAY June 18 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

7: 00 am MASS 10:15 am MASS

MONDAY June 19 8:30 am Mass

4-6 pm Douglas Food Pantry **OPEN**—R **TUESDAY June 20**

8:30 am MASS 5:30 pm Girl Scout Mtg.—H 6:45 pm Troop 316—H WEDNESDAY June 21

8:30 am MASS
1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry OPEN—R
5:30 pm AA Meeting—H
THURSDAY June 22

7 pm Al-Anon—H

SATURDAY June 24

10 am Funeral Mass (Helen Shannon) 3:15 pm Confession 4:00 pm MASS

SUNDAY June 25

7: 00 am MASS 10:15 am MASS Noon—Baptisms



Peter Bui who was a seminarian here at St. Denis was ordained and is now Fr. Peter Bui.

Fr. Peter has been assigned to St. John Paul II Parish in Southbridge, MA

If you would like to send him a card to wish him well, it can be mailed to:

279 Hamilton Street Southbridge MA 01550

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In an effort to make payments easier for our parishioners and visitors who participate in our activities, now we can offer payment with credit/debit, and gift cards (Ex. Visa), contactless payments like Google pay, Apple pay, Samsung pay, and cash App.

Baptisms

Please call the Parish Office for information on requirements, preparation, and dates.





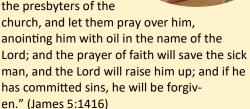
Marriage / Convalidation

We encourage all engaged/civilly married/

living together couples to give us a call to work on their marriage prep.

Anointing of the Sick

"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the





Visitation to the Homebound

Anyone who is unable to celebrate the Eucharist with us

because of age or illness, and would like to receive communion, please call the office.

Faith Formation/ R.C.I.A.

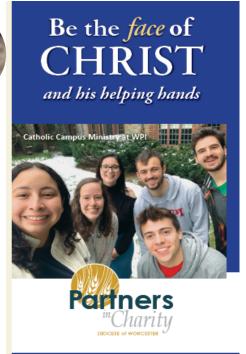
Let us grow together in faith. Our parish offers formation for children a

Our parish offers formation for children and adults. Please contact us .

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Matt 10:26-33: "Do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge them before my heavenly father." God can help you in your life as well as in your relationships. Pray together, share your fatih and love with your spouse. To enrich your marriage and find out how to grow in your faith more, check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The dates are:

August 11-13, 2023 in Storrs, CT August 25-27, 2023 in Vermont September 22-24, 2023 in Huntington, NY October 20-22, 2023 in Vermont



We are proud to announce the Confirmation Class of 2023

These students have completed H.S. Year II along with the Discernment process and Immediate Confirmation Preparation Class. They will attend a retreat at the Immaculate Conception Retreat Center on Sunday October 1st and we will be waiting for the Confirmation Mass date from the Office of the Bishop.

Please keep these students in your prayers:

Julia Argall, Sophia Bushika, Matthew Dean, Olivia DeFalco, Delaney Martin, Brady Olson, Zachary Sargent, Stone Slowik, Gianna Smith & Addison Taylor

Father, Look kindly on these candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. Amen. Congratulations!

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

ST. DENIS is called upon to support the work of our Lord Jesus made possible through the annual appeal.

So far we have collected \$23,581 (78 donors) toward our parish goal of \$39,400. Please complete your pledge envelope, indicating your gift or pledge today.

It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our mission as a diocese. Please be as generous as possible. If you have already made a gift to the 2023 appeal, we thank you!!

Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. You can also make your gift online at: www.partnerscharity.net. **Thank you!**

There's still time to join us!!

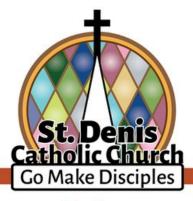
PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND AND JORDAN



November 5-18

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

Extended to the end of JUNE!





Vacation Bible School

August 14th to 18th • 9am to 1pm

Accepting children from PreK (ages 3 and up) through Grade 5.

Join us for this fun-filled journey back in time to Babylon! Registration includes 5 days of activities and fun plus snacks. Please pack a lunch. For an additional fee, you and your family can join the parish on the last day at Polar Park for a St. Denis WooSox Night (visit our website for more information).

We are also looking for older students (Grades 6 to 12) to volunteer to help us run the program.

If you are interested in helping out, please let us know! Contact Patty at 508-320-5743 and leave a message with the best time and number to reach you at. We will gladly sign for community service hours if you need them.

Register using the form below or online at SaintDenisChurch.com Please register by or before August 9th

2023 Vacation Bible School Registration

Parent/Guardian Student #1		
First Name:	First Name:	
Last Name:	Last Name:	
Grade (entering in fall):	Grade (entering in fall):	
Gender (circle one): M F	Gender (circle one): M F	
Allergies, Medical Conditions or Dietary	Allergies, Medical Conditions or Dietary	
Concerns we need to be aware of:	Concerns we need to be aware of:	
Special Needs or Social Considerations we	Special Needs or Social Considerations we	
should be aware of:	should be aware of:	
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To register addtional students, please	e include the same information for each	
on the back of this form and check here:		
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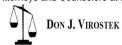
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The Begin Families

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H. Edward Phelps

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Tim Guertin

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