



**JULY 16, 2023**

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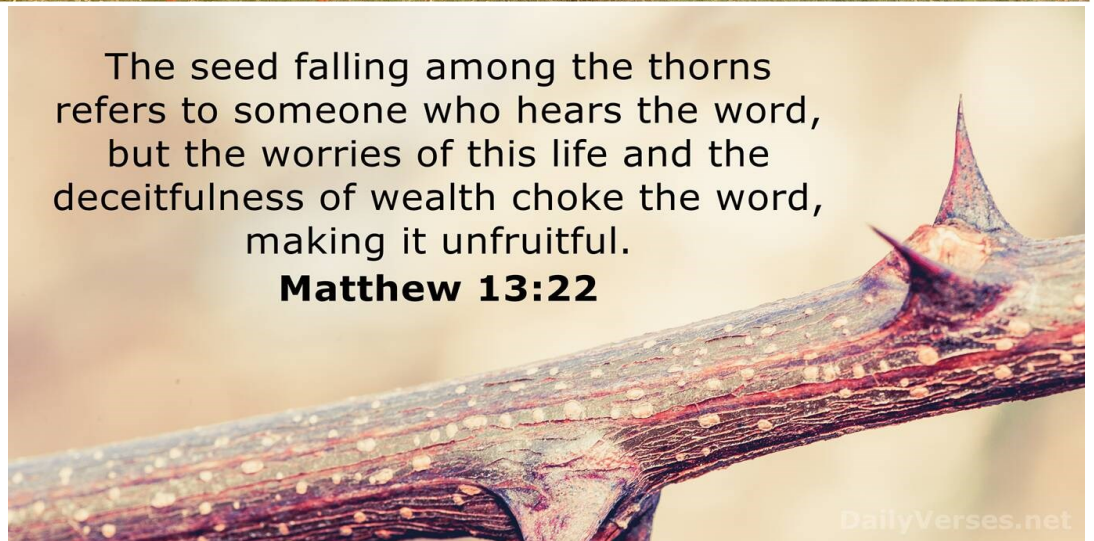
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The seed falling among the thorns  
refers to someone who hears the word,  
but the worries of this life and the  
deceitfulness of wealth choke the word,  
making it unfruitful.

**Matthew 13:22**



Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

**READINGS:** Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm 65 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-9

### Welcome to Our Parish Community!

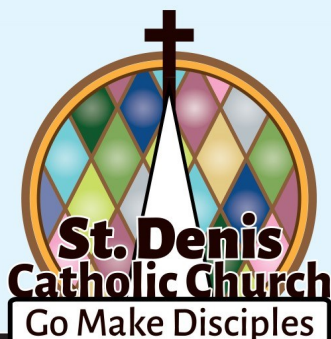
**Weekend Masses** Sat. 4pm (Live on Facebook) — Sun. 7 & 10:15am

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



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# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Date	Time	Intention
Saturday July 15	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession † Charles "Chic" Flansburg By: The Family
Sunday July 16	7 am 10:15 am	† The People of St. Denis † Ossa/Rivera Family By: A Friend
Monday July 17	8:30 am	† Fr. Dennis O'Brien
Tuesday July 18	8:30 am	† All Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday July 19	8:30 am	Vocations to the priesthood
Thursday July 20		NO MASS
Friday July 21		NO MASS
Saturday July 22	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession † The People of St. Denis
Sunday July 23	7 am 10:15 am	† Mary McCarthy By: Helen Anderson † Richard Boire By: Patty & Bill Corkum



We light this week's Tabernacle Candle to pray for THE FLANSBURG FAMILY

## Happening This Week

If you have been away—  
**Welcome Back!**

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

**COFFEE SHOP OPEN** after ALL  
Masses this weekend  
**Come meet our new Pastor**

### SATURDAY July 15

3:15 pm Confession  
4:00 pm MASS

### SUNDAY July 16

7:00 am MASS  
10:15 am MASS

### MONDAY July 17

8:30 am Mass  
4-6 pm Douglas Food Pantry **OPEN**

### TUESDAY July 18

8:30 am MASS  
6:30 pm Al-Anon Mtg.—H  
WEDNESDAY July 19

8:30 am MASS  
1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry **OPEN**—R  
5:30 pm AA Meeting—H  
THURSDAY July 20  
7 pm Al-Anon Mtg.—H

### SATURDAY July 22

3:15 pm Confession  
4:00 pm MASS

### SUNDAY July 23

7:00 am MASS  
10:15 am MASS

## 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 faith 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

## Stewardship in our Parish Budget

### Weekend of July 8/9

Envelopes & Cash	\$ 3,020
Online	\$ 895
Weekly electronic	\$ 345
Debt Reduction	\$ 95
Maintenance	\$ 140
Fuel	\$ 30
Faith Formation Reg.	\$ 55
Food Pantry	\$ 10



**Thank you to all who so generously give of their treasure to help support St. Denis Parish.**

## Online Giving



### CREDIT CARD / ONLINE GIVING

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.



## Living out Your Faith in College Gathering

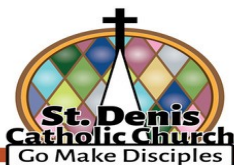
All High Schoolers are welcome to join current undergraduate college students on Thursday, July 27 from 6-8 pm at North American Martyrs in Auburn for a meal, conversation, and Q&A session centered around pursuing your faith after high school. RSVP by contacting Kendall Mullen at [mullenk@cua.edu](mailto:mullenk@cua.edu).

### FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR/ DIRECTOR NEEDED

As you know Kathy, our Faith Formation Coordinator has retired. We have put together a search team with Fr. Pagan to find the right person to replace Kathy.

If you or someone you know may be interested in filling that position for the parish, please call the Rectory at 508-476-2002 or email Nancy at:

[nanorberg@saintdenischurch.com](mailto:nanorberg@saintdenischurch.com)



## Vacation Bible School

August 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> • 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).

Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church or

call the Rectory for more information.



We are planning another St. Denis Parish night at the WOO SOX !! JOIN US FOR A FUN EVENING OF BASEBALL AND FIREWORKS!!

FRIDAY AUGUST 18TH

GAME STARTS 6:30 PM

TICKETS ARE \$17 EACH AND SEATS ARE ALONG THE THIRD BASE LINE.

(Each ticket includes \$2 Ballpark credit which can be used to purchase food and beverage or merchandise at the game.)

Our Altar Servers are our guests for FREE

### 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 @ 508-476-2002.

### Anointing of the Sick

"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven." (James 5:14-16) If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office @ 508-476-2002.



### Our next Day of Prayer & Adoration

will be on  
Wednesday  
August 9th we  
will have  
Eucharistic  
Adoration from

9 am—6:45 pm with  
Benediction at 6:45 pm.

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

## Be the face of CHRIST and his helping hands



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### 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 \$27,061 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.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net).

Thank you!



**Saturday August 5**  
**at 5 pm**

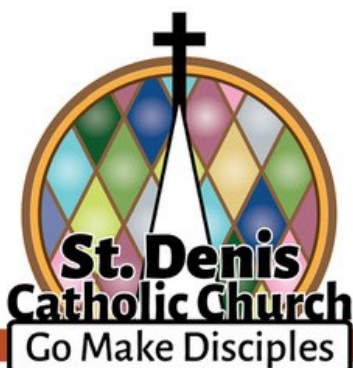
**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A  
SIMPLE MEAL OF HOT DOGS, CHIPS AND  
DRINK FOLLOWING THE 4 PM MASS**

**WHERE??**

**ACROSS THE STREET AT THE MARY GROTTO  
AND FIRE PIT**

**ST DENIS STAFF WILL COOK FOR YOU AND  
GIVE OUR COFFEE SHOP LADIES A BREAK!**

**COME JOIN THE FUN!!**



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**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](http://SaintDenisChurch.com)**

Please register by or before August 9<sup>th</sup>



### 2023 Vacation Bible School Registration

#### Parent/Guardian

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Work #: \_\_\_\_\_

(circle preferred number to use)

☐ I will be picking student(s) up

#### Emergency Contact (if different from above)

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Work #: \_\_\_\_\_

(circle preferred number to use)

☐ I will be picking student(s) up

#### Payment Information

# of Students Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$100 max for families with 3+)

Please include payment (cash or check made payable to St. Denis Church)

#### Student #1

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (entering in fall): \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (circle one): M F

Allergies, Medical Conditions or Dietary

Concerns we need to be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Needs or Social Considerations we

should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Student #2

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (entering in fall): \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (circle one): M F

Allergies, Medical Conditions or Dietary

Concerns we need to be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Needs or Social Considerations we

should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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