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Which one did
his father's will?



"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." (Philippians 2:3) Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

READINGS: Ezekiel 18:25-28 Psalm 25 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 21:28-32

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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St. Denis Church

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Date	Time	Intention
Saturday September 30	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession † Joe Stand By: The Family
Sunday October 1	7 am 10:15 am	† The People of St. Denis † Nancy Damore (1st Ann.) By: The Family
Monday October 2	8:30 am	† The Gavlak family By: Pauline Gavlak
Tuesday October 3	8:30 am	All those who have no one to pray for them
Wednesday October 4	8:30 am	† Edito & Edwin Mosqueda By: Josey Butler
Thursday October 5		NO MASS
Friday October 6		NO MASS
Saturday October 7	3:15 pm 4 pm	Confession † Patsy & Dora Colonero By: The Family
Sunday October 8	7 am 10:15 am	† Pauline & George Paine Sr. By: The Family † Philip Quinn (11th Ann.) By: The Family



We light this week's Tabernacle Candle to pray for **SAM LAMARCO JR.**

Weekly Offerings

Weekend of September 23/24

Envelopes & Cash	\$ 2,300
Online	\$ 1,105
Weekly electronic	\$ 345
Debt Reduction	\$ 121
Maintenance	\$ 132
Fuel	\$ 75
Food Pantry	\$ 444.17
In memory of Dennis Kulesza	325



Thank you for your support! Your generosity helps us to continue to be a caring and vibrant parish!

Happening This Week

If you have been away— Welcome Back!

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

SATURDAY September 30

3:15 pm Confession

4:00 pm MASS

SUNDAY October 1

7: 00 am MASS

10:15 am MASS

(Presentation of Confirmation Candidates)

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

(Immaculate Conception Center—Putnam, CT)

12 Noon—BAPTISM

MONDAY October 2

8:30 am Mass

1 pm Mass at Riddlebrook Apartments

4-6 pm Douglas Food Pantry **OPEN—R**

6 pm Parish Council—GR

TUESDAY October 3

8:30 am MASS

5:30 pm Girl Scouts—H

6:30 pm St. Monica Circle—GR

WEDNESDAY October 4

8:30 am MASS

9am –5:45 pm DAY OF PRAYER/ADORATION

1-3 pm Douglas Food Pantry **OPEN—R**

5:30 pm AA Meeting—H

THURSDAY October 5

5:30 pm RCIA—R

6 pm Cub Scouts—H

7 pm Al-Anon Mtg.—GR

SATURDAY October 7

9 am—3 pm OKTOBERFEST (Main St. Douglas)

11 am BLESSING OF PETS

3:15 pm Confession

4:00 pm MASS

SUNDAY October 8

7: 00 am MASS

WELCOME BISHOP McMANUS

10:15 am MASS



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

October 1, 2023

Please keep our Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare for their Sacrament. May the Holy Spirit be with them today and guide them to come closer to God.

Please pray for the leaders who will be with them on this journey.

MASS WITH BISHOP McMANUS

OCTOBER 8 AT 10:15 MASS

ALL ARE INVITED to join with Bishop McManus to celebrate the Feast of St. Denis (Oct. 9) and to bless the Prayer Garden across the street at the Mary Grotto.

A lite lunch will be served following Mass.



DAY OF PRAYER & ADORATION

9am– 5:45pm

Our next Day of Prayer and Adoration will be on Wednesday October 4th. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for anyone who can come and spend some time with the blessed sacrament.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7 AT 11 AM

**Blessing of
the Pets**



40 Days for Life Fall Campaign

Every October, we celebrate Respect Life Month. We consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. Visit : 40daysforlife.com/en/worcester

Project Rachel is the Catholic Church's ministry of healing and reconciliation to those who have been wounded by a past abortion. **Call in strictest confidence 508-791-HOPE (4673).**

Church Cleanup



**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 14TH
9AM –NOON**

After a long hot summer, let's help give our church a good thorough cleaning.

Mike Watson's Facility Service will lead our volunteers to get the job done.

Volunteers are needed to help us clean. If you can come for the morning or can give us an hour we would appreciate all the help. Call the Rectory if you can help.

**Bus trip to
The National Shrine of the Divine Mercy
(Stockbridge, MA)
Thursday October 26th**

**\$25 per person (Covers bus ride and tip for driver)
CALL THE RECTORY FOR MORE DETAILS**

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND \$\$\$ FOR DINNER STOP.
(SHRINE ALSO HAS A BEAUTIFUL GIFT SHOP)

CALLING ALL VOICES—SING A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD

We are looking for young members of the parish that would like join us in forming a YOUTH CHOIR!! Grades 2 through High School who are interested, whether through voice or instrument, come 9:45 on October 8th and sing with the Bishop. For more information call Colleen Carelli at 508-476-3571 or the Rectory at 508-476-2002



JOIN OUR FAITH FORMATION TEAM AS A VOLUNTEER TEACHER!



We still need some more help with our 7/8 & High School Grades.

If you feel called to assist in this ministry, please contact Cheryl at 508-476-2002 or cmauro@saintdenischurch.com.

Together, let's make a positive impact on the lives of our community members through the power of education and spirituality.

FREE Parishioner Appreciation

Pasta Dinner

Please Pre-Register



Saturday, Oct. 14th - 5:00pm

Church Hall

FREE Dinner includes pasta,
salad, bread, soda/water and dessert.

Food, Family Game, Fun & Friendship!

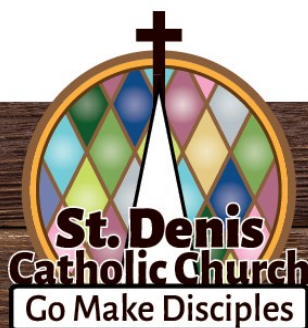
(Beer & Wine will be sold for those over 21 - limit 2 per person)

***Enjoy a family meal
at our parish table!***

Please pre-register so we know how much to cook!

Sign up in Church or click here to register online:

www.SaintDenisChurch.com/pasta-dinner



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For a \$50.00 donation, we will publish the names of your loved one in our bulletin for 1 year.
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