Saint Denis Parish

Brought together by Christ, we, the parish of St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside, respond to his call to live our Catholic faith.

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Mass Times

St. Denis Church

Saturda<mark>y: 5:30pm (Vigil)</mark> Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:30 am: 14:30 am: Windday: Folday: 8:00 am:

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

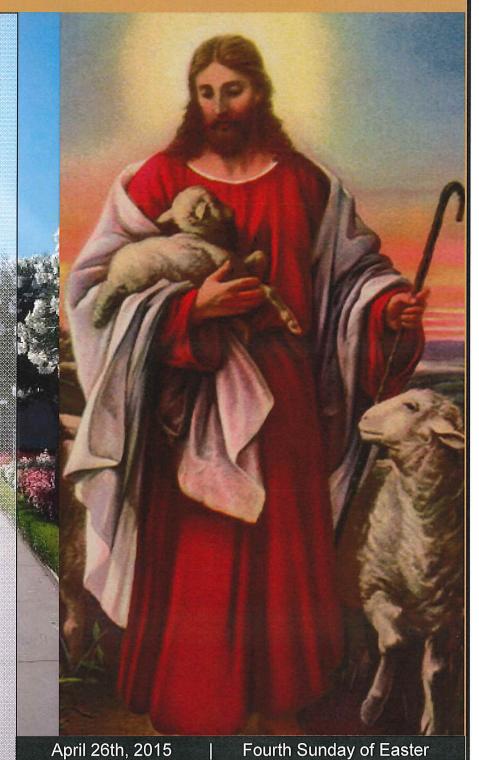
Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil) Sunday: 9:30 am

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Saturday: 4:00 pm. Our Lady of the Wayside Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. Denis

Office Hours

M-F; 9-00 am--2:00 pm



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Pastor's Corner

Dear fellow members of St Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside,

The imagery of shepherding has become so much part of the Christian mind. The word 'pastor' comes from the Latin for shepherd. A bishop's crozier is really a nice looking shepherd's stick. Shepherds in the time of Jesus carried a stick not to beat or prod their sheep but to beat off any wild animals that threatened the sheep. The shepherd did everything to protect the sheep. In the Gospel reading of today Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." It is in contrast to the religious authorities that Jesus calls himself the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. Your bishop and your pastor are expected to die if necessary in your defense. In fact all Christians are challenged to lay down their lives if necessary for others. The cross of Christ is not an ornament to be hung around ones neck or to be hung on the walls of ones house but a pattern of Christian life.

Next Sunday the 3rd of May during the 9:30 am Mass at St Denis, the big kids will receive first communion. Please remember them in your prayers.

We received \$21,860 this Easter! I would like to thank you for your generous donations to your church during Easter!

8:00am the parishioners of St. Denis

Yours Sincerely,

Fr. Jose Shaji

Fri. 5/8

Gospel Reading

John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

Mass Intentions

	St. Denis	Our Lady of the Wayside
Sat. 5/2	5:30pm Josephine Stafford [†] (Joan Haynes)	4:30pm Mass for Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bedecawe [†] (Sharon Sanderson)
Sun. 5/3	7:30am Omid Sharif [†] (Tornes Family) 9:30am Katherine Hass [†] (The Sullivan-Berstein Family) 11:30am Tom Kirkbride [†] (Ed and Connie Vincent)	9:30am for the parishioners of OLW
Mon. 5/4	8:00am Steve Vinella [†] (Lisa Safreno)	
Tue. 5/5	8:00am for the parishioners of St. Denis	
Wed. 5/6	8:00am John O'Shea [†] (The Coats Family)	
Thu. 5/7	8:00am Marge Young [†] (Sherri Coats)	

In your charity, please pray for...

Carol Armstrong, Baby Stella Arde, Agnes Babcock, Bob Bark, Louise Brent, Mike Carragee, Lily Chan, Lynn Cintron, Sandra Dailey, Gertrude DeZelaya, Bob Ellis, Amelia Elsbree, Michael Fil, Susan Fil, Ruben Fuentez, Johnny Gentry, Lauren Goode, Michael Ho, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Matthew Lear, Phyllis Lucas, Luke Mars, Ann Martin, Sheri Martin, Dorothy Meyers, Dennis Miller, Rozeh Nikli, Lorraine O'Connor, Lorie Ortega, Angie Real, Jim Rock, Raymond Shaaf Sr., Kathy Schoendorf, Marie Scott, Dorothy Skala, Frank Vitale, Walter Weber, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli, and William and Jean Zonner.

Religious Education/Youth Ministry

Religious Ed Calendar

THIS Sunday (4/26)

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade & Big Kid's Sacramental Prep



Next Sunday (5/3)

9:30am—Big Kid's First Communion at the 9:30 am Mass (please arrive at 9:15 am)

9:30am—Pre-K through 5th Grade

10:30am—First Communion Rehearsal

10:30-11:30am—6th/7th Grade & Big Kid's Sacramental Prep

5:30-7:45pm—Year 2 Confirmation Class

Upcoming Dates & Events

5/2 (Sat) - Catechist Appreciation Dinner

5/9 (Sat) - First Communion at St. Denis

5/10 (Sun) - First Communion at OLW

5/17 (Sun) - Confirmation

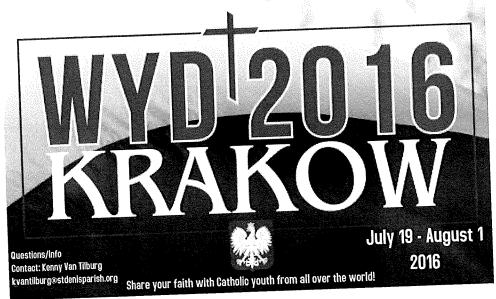
Catechist Appreciation Dinner

To commemorate and thank all of our catechists for their hard work, dedication, and loving effort in our Religious Education program, we will be having a dinner to show our appreciation and thanks!

This Catechist Appreciation Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 2nd at 6:30 pm.



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Permission slip and information can be found at www.stdenisparish.org/worldyouthday2016. Please have registration form and deposit submitted by Sunday, May 17th.

Religious Education/Youth Ministry

Prayer for Families

We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own incarnate Son, to become part of a family, so that, as he lived its life, he would experience its worries and its joys.

We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over this family, so that in the strength of your grace its members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home,



bear witness in this world to your glory.

We ask this thought Christ our Lord. Amen.

SAVE THE DATE

TOB for Middle School

On **Wednesday, May 20th** from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm we will be having our Theology of Body for middle school students!

This is out last session and would love for any middle school student to join us!



If you have any questions please contact Kenny Van Tilburg at kvantilburg@stdenisparish.org

Please Keep the First Communicants and Confirmation Candidates in Your Prayers!!!

We have a number of children and teenagers receiving their First Communion and Confirmation in May and Religious Education would like to ask all of you to keep them in your prayers as they get ready to receive these holy Sacraments in the next couple of weeks!





First Communion Schedule

Big Kid's First Communion

Sunday (5/3) at 9:15am—Big Kid's First Communion Families and First Communicants please arrive at St. Denis Sunday (5/3) at 9:30am—Big Kid's First

Communion Mass and Ceremony

First Communion

Sunday (5/3) at 10:30am—First Communion Rehearsal

Saturday (5/9) at 9:30am—Please arrive if taking Individual/Family Pictures with Photographer

Saturday (5/9) at 10:30am—First Communion Mass and Ceremony at St. Denis with Cake and Refreshments following

Sunday (5/10) at 9:30am—First Communion Mass and Ceremony at OLW

Saint of the Week: St. Pius V (April 30)

April 30—Pius V was born in Milan with the name Antonio Ghislieri. He was Pope from 8 January 1566 to his death in 1572. He became Pope during a difficult time for the Catholic church. At the time the church was under a lot of scrutiny for corruption. This lead him to call together the Council of Trent, the Counter-Reformation, and the standardization of the Roman rite within the Latin Church. Today he is praised as one of the great reformers of the church. 140 years after his death, Pius V was Canonized in 1712.



Outdoor Mass & Barbeque



An outdoor mass will be held Sunday June 7th at 9:30 followed by a barbeque. The mass and barbeque will take place at Our Lady of the Wayside. All are welcome!

Social Ministry Group at OLW

The social ministry group will meet at OLW on Saturday May 2 at 10:30 am. If you would like to plan the social events of OLW please come to the meeting.

Catholic Charities Dementia Caregiver Course

Saturday May 2, in San Mateo

Please join Catholic Charities and the City of San Mateo Parks and Recreation department as we host the "Dementia Care Strategies for Family Caregivers" course. This 2 hour overview will be held on Saturday May 2 from 10am-12pm at the San Mateo Senior Center (2645 Alameda de las Pulgas). The free course will introduce the latest, most effective strategies for dementia care, and will be helpful for caregivers with all levels of experience. Presenter Patricia Hurst, Case Management Coordinator, will cover several topics including effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find extra information and assistance.

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	April 18/19, 2015			April 19/20, 2014	
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St. Denis	\$3,241.00	\$2,062.93	St. Denis	\$3,340.00	\$1,778.20
OLW	\$833.00	\$412.40	OLW	\$1,622.00	\$438.00
	Total: \$6,549.33			Total: \$7,178.20	
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	Sunday Collection	<u>E-Giving</u>		Sunday Collection	<u>E-Giving</u>
St. Denis	\$21,443.00	\$10,314.67	St. Denis	\$18,695.00	\$8,891.00
OLW	\$6,582.00	\$2,061.66	OLW	\$5,697.00	\$2,190.00
5	Total: \$40,401.33			Total: \$35,473.00	



Pancake Breakfast

At. St. Denis (May 31st after 9:30 mass)



Ministry Schedule

St. Denis

April 25/April 26

5:30pm Lector: Jerry Griffin

E.M.: Brigitte Mornand, Morris, Jewell

7:30am Lectors: James Tornes, Paul Kirincich

E.M.: Jackie Tornes, Bill & Sandy Rock

9:30am Lectors: Jill Stanley, Scott Stanley

E.M.: Susanna Tang, Catherine Coluzzi, Josephine Dorval, Marlene hunter, Barbara Mason, Estelle Craw-

ord

11:30am Lectors: E Parsons

E.M.: Lombardi, Dewes, Marco

4:30pm Lectors: Sullivan

E.M.: Vonderlinden, Schar

9:30am Lectors: Carroll

E.M.: Carroll, Alfano B., Healey