

# Saint Denis /Our Lady Of The Wayside Churches

*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**  
Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am  
Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

**Our Lady of the Wayside Church**  
Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil)  
Sunday: 9:30 am

**Confession Times**  
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



**June 4th, 2017 Pentecost Sunday**

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[www.stdenisparish.org](http://www.stdenisparish.org)

St. Denis Church (Parish Office)  
2250 Avy Avenue • Menlo Park

Our Lady of the Wayside Church  
930 Portola Road • Portola Valley

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

On this Pentecost Sunday, it would be appropriate to wish all of you a very Happy Birthday. The Solemnity of Pentecost is considered the birth of the Church. The Church was born into the world by the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit that conceived Jesus in Mary's womb conceives the Church by coming upon the disciples of Jesus as tongues of fire. What a powerful image that is, indeed.

Fire is unique. Fire consumes everything it touches. It transforms everything into something completely different. A thing, a person is changed forever on an ontological level. Filled and on fire with the Holy Spirit, the disciples are no longer disciples. They become Apostles, one who is charged and commissioned by Jesus himself to go forth into the whole world to preach the Good News. Whenever the Word of God is proclaimed, it is as if the Church, the faith is born once again.

We too have received the power and presence of the Holy Spirit when we were Confirmed. We do not necessarily have to be missionaries to preach the Good News. Simply being living witnesses of Jesus Christ is how we can give birth to His love, peace, mercy and forgiveness. From our hearts these are born. This is how we can bring Jesus into the world, into the lives of those we encounter on a daily basis. It is in us to do this because we have been changed for the better by the fire and presence of the Holy Spirit. Go forth, then, into the world and make a difference.

God bless, Fr. Paul

## What We Believe

### THE CHURCH IS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

About 10 years ago, I had the opportunity to go to The Vatican with a group of parishioners and our pastor. In St. Peter's Basilica, there are many smaller side altars where groups can celebrate Mass. Our group celebrated at the altar in which the body of St. John XXIII is laid to rest, behind a glass panel.

Father thought it would be a great idea to have me offer the reflection during the Mass. I was so nervous! I wanted to say something so profound, memorable and challenging. But I was a little intimidated by my surroundings, including the security guards who stood in the back listening to every word I said!

St. John XXIII, of course, opened the Second Vatican Council. So I thought I would reflect on one of the main ideas that came out of the Council. The one idea that was repeated over and over was that the Church is the People of God. We are the Church. All of us! From the Pope to the youngest child, we are the Church.

On this feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church, we are asked once again to BE the Church. We are asked to take on the mission Jesus gave to his first disciples: to spread the Good News that God loves us and forgives us, to the ends of the earth, or at least spread it in the world around us, at work or school or at home, or anywhere else we happen to be. And of course, we have all the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help us do just that. The gifts of courage, wisdom, knowledge, understanding, right judgement, reverence and awe and wonder are ours to use every day.

Come Holy Spirit!

Lucy

## Mass Intentions

### St. Denis

Sat. Jun 3	5:30 pm	Joanne Wallace (+)
Sun. Jun 4	7:30 am	Tom Vocker (+)
	9:30 am	Newly Ordained
	11:30 am	Tom Vocker (+)
Mon. Jun 5	8:00 am	Graduating Students
Tues. Jun 6	8:00 am	St. Denis Parishioners
Wed. Jun 7	8:00 am	National Leaders
Thurs Jun 8	8:00 am	Youth Of Our Parish
Fri. Jun 9	8:00 am	Spiritual Directors

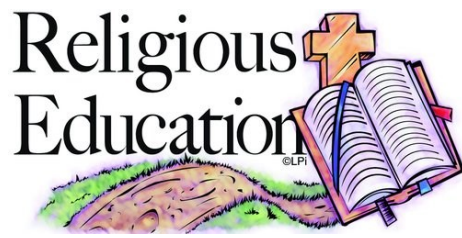
### Our Lady Of The Wayside

Sat. Jun 3	4:30pm	Curt Greenman (+)
Sun. Jun 4	9:30am	Mother of Michael Sinkewitsch (+)

## In your charity, please pray for...

Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Sandy Rock, Baby Sierra, Ken Broome, Lillian Schulte, Janet Sue Cox, George Sutton, Rosa Sharif, Dean Babcock, Carol Armstrong, 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, Lorie Ortega, Robert Roger, Raymond Shaaf Sr., Kathy Schoendorf, Marie Scott, Dorothy Skala, Doug Ury, Bev Wheat, Mila Wright, William Yates, Ada Zilli, and William and Jean Zonner.

## Faith Formation



### FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Our schedule for next school year and registration form are available NOW on the parish website!

Please check it out at [www.stdenisparish.org](http://www.stdenisparish.org)

Most of our wonderful catechists will be returning next fall, but we are always looking for new volunteers. If you would like to share your faith with the children, please contact Lucy Soltau at [lsoltau@stdenisparish.org](mailto:lsoltau@stdenisparish.org) anytime, or find me at the donuts any Sunday!

We will be offering the Liturgy of the Word for Children during the 9:30am Mass at St. Denis on most Sundays this summer. All children are welcome and invited to participate!

Have a summer full of adventures, peace and joy!

We'll see you on September 17 for our opening Mass.

Classes begin again September 24.

## Jesuit Retreat Center Of Los Altos

The Jesuit Retreat Center, El Retiro, 300 Manresa Way, Los Altos has a variety of retreats and events. Visit the website [www.jrclosaltos.org](http://www.jrclosaltos.org) to see the full schedule and complete details and to learn more about this beautiful retreat center in the hills of Los Altos. Private retreats for individuals and groups are also available.

30-day Retreat on Spiritual Exercises Presenter: Pastoral Staff  
June 14 – July 18

8-day Silent Retreat #1 Presenter: Pastoral Staff  
June 16 – June 24

8-day Silent Retreat #2 Presenter: Pastoral Staff  
June 26 – July 4

## Senior Lunch

Join fellow seniors on Tuesday June 13th, at noon in the St. Denis parish hall. We will start with Communion service. All seniors and caregivers welcome. Call Dede at 650 854-5976, press 4.



## Donut Help

To sign up to help with donut service, please go to [www.stdenparish.org](http://www.stdenparish.org) and click on "Donut Help Needed!"

Any questions? Contact Maritza at 650 291-0657.



## Friendly Reminders

### Bulletin & Announcements

The Deadline for bulletin inserts is the Tuesday (before noon)

Before the weekend of publication. All mass announcements are to

be scripted and okayed by Dede prior to the masses. Contact her at

[dedewm@pacbell.net](mailto:dedewm@pacbell.net)

NOTE: Announcements may not appear until the next bulletin

Cycle due to space limitations.

Thank You.



## Stewardship

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 (Goal)	\$450,000.00	Annual Appeal 2017	\$103,649.00
July 1, 2016 to April 30th, 2017	\$375,493.64	(Actual Amount Needed \$100,000.00)	
Monthly Goal– April 2017	\$36,000.00		
April 2017 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$33,502.33		
Easter Collections	\$30,455.00		



## Farewell Reception For Organist Ethan Williams

**Join us for a Farewell Reception for Ethan Williams, OLV's Musical Director for the past 2.5 years on June 11 after the 9:30 Mass. Ethan graduates from Stanford with dual degrees in Music and Geophysics. He will continue his studies at Caltech pursuing a PhD in Geophysics.**



## Buon Appetito!

**To witness our guests really enjoying themselves at the Parish Italian Dinner on May 20 was truly a blessing for the servers and the cook! To have collected \$1,436.00 for our 5 community charities in the process is a blessing for those in need. Thank you for your generosity and participation in this event!**

