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

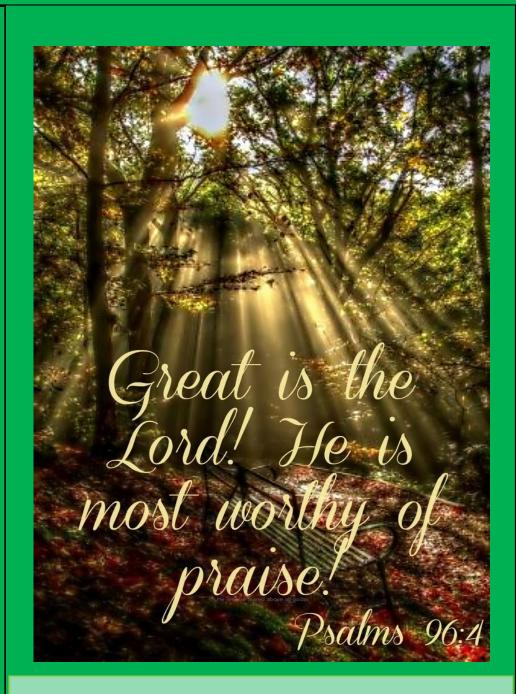
Confession Times

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

SECOND COLLECTION October 28-29th Aid For Santa Rosa Diocese Fire Damage



October 22nd, 2017 29th Sunday in ordinary time

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Pastor's Corner

We Believe

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your gracious and generous response to the Solar Panel Fund. Because of your generosity, we have exceeded the amount we need (\$38,000.00) to install solar panels at St. Denis Church. So far we have received \$43,650.00 not including October Egiving count. We are, therefore, able to proceed with this project. The installation will begin as soon as Element Power Systems is available to do the work. Those of you who would still like to donate to the Solar Panel Fund are most welcomed. The excess monies will be used for church improvements as mentioned in my letter.

It is truly an honor and a privilege to be your pastor. I am blessed indeed. Let us continue to be committed to taking good care of our Church and to taking good care of each other. There is more good work that needs to be done. Together we can accomplish it.

God bless, Fr. Paul

Fri. Oct. 27

IT'S JUST STUFF

As the victims of the fires up north return to their neighborhoods, the one thing so many have said is, "It's just stuff. We can replace things, not people." And some of them have lost ALL their "stuff", including the homes they kept it all in. Watching them sift through the ashes, trying to find any little thing, brings me to tears.

Yes, things are just things, most of which are replaceable. But things hold memories and comfort and give us feelings of security and control of our lives. So we have to find other ways to remember and feel safe.

For most, it will be family and friends who will provide the memories and safety. For others, it will be jobs and school that will help them to feel normal and in control again. And for some, it will be their faith, that God will protect them and comfort them and provide what they need.

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us not to become so attached to the things of this world, the stuff that we think we need so badly. Jesus reminds us to stay focused on what God gives and what God requires. Give to God what is God's: love and compassion, repentance and mercy, gratitude and faith.

Everything else is just stuff!

Yours in the Lord, Lucy

Mass Intentions

St. Denis		Our Lady Of The Wayside				
Sat. Oct. 21	5:30 pm	James Bruno (+)				
Sun. Oct. 22	7:30 am	Christian Unity	Sat.	Oct. 21	4:30pm	Christian Unity
	9:30 am	George & Aileen Schiel (+)				
	11:30 am	Manuel Gomes (+)	Sun	Oct. 22	9:30am	Victims & Volunteers of
Mon. Oct. 23	8:00 am	Christian Unity				Norcal Fires
Tues. Oct. 24	8:00 am	No Mass (Communion Service)				
Wed. Oct. 25	8:00 am	No Mass (Communion Service)				
Thur Oct. 26	8:00 am	No Mass (Communion Service)				

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In your charity, please pray for...

Mila Wright, Rosa Sharif, Barbara Ham, John Hunter, Janet Sue Cox, Janice Varell

The List has been updated. Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.

Faith Formation News

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades Pre-K thru 4 meet in their classrooms in the hall at 9:30am and will be brought to the Church during the Preparation of the Gifts. We only have 30 minutes of class time, so please be on time! Grades 5 and 6 meet at 10:30 to 11:30am in the hall.

Confirmation, grades 7 and 8, meet at 5:30pm in the Church for Mass, then dinner and class til 8:00pm.

You can register your children by going to the parish website www.stdenisparish.org and click on the Faith Formation tab.

THE POPE ASKS YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE A SURVEY

The Pope is requesting your feedback!

The theme for the Synod of Bishops in October will be: "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment." Young people from around the world are urged to help the Church prepare for the Synod by taking this survey. Pope Francis says, "The Church also wishes to listen to your voice, your sensitivities and your faith; even your doubts and your criticism... Make your voice heard." A survey for young people 16 to 29 years old is now online on a special website. The survey is online at https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it, and can be taken in English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, or German. Surveys should be completed by November 30.

For more details, contact Amanda George, Young Adult Ministry Coordinator 415-614-5595 georgea@sfarch.org

www.sfarch.org/youngadult



SANTA CLARA FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE

Santa Clara Faith Formation Conference: God is Always With Us Registration for the 2017 Santa Clara Faith Formation Conference is now open! Santa Clara Convention Center on November 3-4. Sponsored by the Dioceses of Monterey and San Jose. Workshops in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese will focus on the Word, Worship and Witness as key components to our ongoing faith formation. Conference brochures are available in the back of the church or online at www.scffc.org

11th Annual Parish Christmas Tea

"Peace On Earth "



Saturday, December 9th, 2017 1:00 to 3:00 pm @ St. Denis Parish Hall

Tickets: \$25 each (All are welcome) Please make checks payable to: St. Denis Church. Last day to purchase tickets is December 5th. Seating is limited: payment must be received prior to event. Kindly make checks payable to St Denis Church. Questions contact Barbara Mason at 650 854-2526 or

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Liturgical Ministry Training

If you are interested in becoming a Lector or Altar Server, we will be scheduling a training soon! The training will be on a Sunday morning between Masses. Please contact Dede to sign up!



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

NOTE: Announcements may not appear until the next bulletin due to space limitations. Thank You!

Stewardship

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 (Goal) \$459,000.00 July 1, 2017 to September 30th, 2017 \$70,564.54 Monthly Goal-September 2017 \$36,000.00 September 2017 Sunday Offertory Collections \$30,245.00

If you gave online through ParishPay, the work of transferring your account to WeShare is done. Go to the parish website and click on the WeShare online giving link. Follow the instructions to verify your existing account. New to online Egiving? Follow the same link to create a new account.

St. Vincent de Paul Fall Clothes Drive

We will be collecting winter items for the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Help Center in Redwood City from October 28th thru November 12th. We hope to collect coats, jackets, sweater, sweatshirts, and scarves. Also, roller bags would be good to donate, as the homeless love these. You may place your donations in bins that will be in the back of the church starting next weekend. If you are unable to drive and need assistance, please contact Maritza for pickup at 650 291-0657. Thank you in advance for your help with this drive!





Upcoming Events

October 21st Songbirds sing at Our Lady of the Wayside 4:30pm mass, reception to follow All are welcome

October 22nd Bake Sale to support St. Anthony's at St. Denis After 9:30am and 11:30am masses

October 23rd First Communion Class with Fr. Paul (optional) 3:30pm

November 1st All Saints Mass (Holy day of Obligation) St. Denis, 8am & 6pm

November 5th Confirmation class 5:30-8:00pm

November 12th NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES (Veterans' Day)

