# 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**

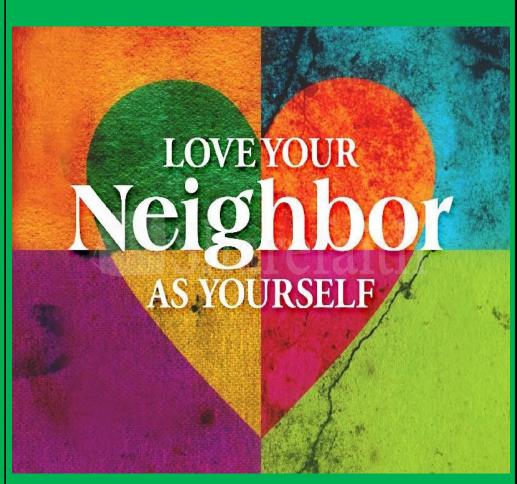
Saturday: 4:00 pm, Our Lady of the Wayside

Saturday: 5:00 pm, St. Denis

### **Office Hours**

M-F, 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Matthew 22:34-40



October 29th, 2017 30th Sunday in ordinary time

(650) 854-5976 www.stdenisparish.org St. Denis Church (Parish Office) 2250 Avy Avenue • Menlo Park

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

### **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

babs412@yahoo.com

8:00 am God's love for the deceased

8:00 am Our Parish Community

Thur Nov. 2

Fri. Nov. 3

# We Believe

Allhallowstide: Halloween, All Saints Day, All Souls Day

While you may be stocking up on candy, trying to come up with a costume, bemoaning the onset of Christmas retailing, or realizing that we are already in the last quarter of a publically tumultuous year, we are about to enter three days which today culturally mark our American celebration of Halloween, a kind of beginning of our holiday season. So let's revisit their historical meaning.

Halloween, is the eve of all Hallows Day, that is, All Saints Day. In days of old, Christians believed that the world of the afterlife became closer on All Hallow's Eve. Costumes originated because folks believed that if they looked like fellow ghosts, they would be ignored by the real ones! Many Christians fasted and prayed, and after the Church service of the "Vigil of All Saints" known as the "Night of Light," there would be a visit to the graveyards where flowers and candles would be placed in honor of the dead.

On All Hallows Day, now known to us as All Saints Day, is the second day of Allhallowtide, and is celebrated as a principal Church feast day on November 1. This day, a Holy Day of Obligation, is designated to honor all the saints and martyrs, so the liturgical color is white. While many saints and martyrs have their own specific feast days, All Saints Day is meant to collectively honor all those holy people who have gone before us.

The final day of Allhallowtide, celebrated on November 2, is known as "All Souls Day," and began in Europe in the 13<sup>th</sup> century by St. Odio of Cluny. In England a popular tradition sprang up on this day called "souling." Souling involved the practice of poor men and bands of children going door-to-door begging for money, apples, ale, or cake. Since the afterlife was the prevailing mood of the season, those who were able would give these poor beggars their goods to offset their own shortcomings. Special treats called "soul cakes" became part of the day. This is where our "trick or treat" tradition began.

Dede Waters Masters

### **Mass Intentions**

| St. Denis     |          |                           |              |                         |                        |  |
|---------------|----------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Sat. Oct. 28  | 5:30 pm  | Armando "Don" Enriquez (+ | ) Our Lad    | Our Lady Of The Wayside |                        |  |
| Sun. Oct. 29  | 7:30 am  | Sarah Canon (+)           |              |                         |                        |  |
|               | 9:30 am  | For our Youth             | Sat. Oct. 28 | 4:30pm                  | For those seeking jobs |  |
|               | 11:30 am | Paul Otellini (+)         |              | -                       |                        |  |
| Mon. Oct. 30  | 8:00 am  | St. Denis Parishioners    | Sun Oct 20   | 9:30am                  | For our Youth          |  |
| Tues. Oct. 31 | 8:00 am  | Respect for all Life      | Sun. Oct. 29 |                         |                        |  |
| Wed. Nov. 1   | 8:00 am  | In Gratitude for Saints   |              |                         |                        |  |
| Wed. Nov. 1   | 6:00 pm  | In Gratitude for Saints   |              |                         |                        |  |

### 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 <a href="www.stdenisparish.org">www.stdenisparish.org</a> and click on

the Faith Formation tab.



### CONFIRMATION CLASS NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, November 5 at 5:30pm for Mass, then dinner and class time til 8:00pm. Bring your folders, your journals and any homework you need to turn in.

SAINT REPORTS: If you know what Saint you will be choosing, write up your report (see your folder for details) and bring it with you to class. We'll be talking about the Saints, and you can share your choice with the class!

### 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 <a href="https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it">https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it</a>, 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

### **Pauline Sisters Visit St. Denis**



## **Lector Training**

If you are interested in becoming a Lector we are having a training session on Sunday,

November 19th right after
9:30 am mass. If you have questions contact Dede at dewm@pacbell.net

# **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!



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# **Upcoming Events**

November 1st All Saints Mass (Holy day of Obligation)
St. Denis, 8am & 6pm. Please sign Book of the Dead
During the month of November.

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

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

November 21st Special Senior Thanksgiving Lunch with Communion service St. Denis hall at noon All seniors are welcome!

November 22nd Parish Thanksgiving Vigil Mass 6pm at St. Denis Followed by annual finger food potluck gathering All are welcome!