

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: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am
Monday-Friday: 8:00am

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 next week
**January 25/26 for Church of
Latin America**

**“Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away
the sin of the world. “John 1:29**



January 19, 2020 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reading

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

A New Year is upon us filled with hope and wonderful possibilities. Liturgically speaking, we embark upon the 1st Week in Ordinary Time. Although the Season may be Ordinary, each new day of the week can be extraordinary. It all depends upon how we live our lives each and every day. If our hearts and minds are open, the Word of God can shape and influence our attitude and actions.

Today's Responsorial Psalm is compelling us to orientate ourselves toward something bigger and greater than ourselves, our God. We are called to say and live the words of the refrain, "Here am I Lord, I come to do your will. One could say that this would be a good mantra to say whenever we get up in the morning. If we are willing to put ourselves before our God, to surrender ourselves to him and to be of service, then great and wonderful things are possible. Through us, God can accomplish so much, but he needs us. He needs us to pray, "Here am I Lord, I come to do your will."

The naked can be clothed, the hungry can be fed, the homeless can be sheltered, the sick can be visited, and the abandoned and forgotten can be loved. After being cared for, their lives are filled with unlimited possibilities. Those who are ministered to by us are free to pursue God's hopes and dreams for them. That is truly a wonderful thing indeed.

God bless, Fr. Paul

We Believe

TESTIFY

Have you ever had to testify about something? Usually when we are called to testify to something, we have some direct knowledge and understanding about what it is that we are testifying about. In a court case, a witness who is called to the stand is usually someone who either directly saw what happened or can speak to the character of the defendant or plaintiff. This is called a character witness.

In today's Gospel reading from John, John the Baptist testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God. Two times John mentions that he "did not know" Jesus. Yet John testifies to who Jesus is for a couple of reasons. First, John knows that he is preparing the way for the Lord. Second, John testifies that he witnessed God's revelation, the Holy Spirit, descend upon Jesus. This profound experience leads John to state that Jesus is indeed the Son of God who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. Even though John the Baptist "did not know" Jesus, he still testifies to the power of God's love in sending his Son to begin his earthly ministry.

We should not be afraid to testify to the work God is doing in our lives. Share what it has meant to be a Christian. Don't be afraid to go out and live your faith publicly. Far too often, we are afraid of sharing our faith with others. Take a chance and go out and speak boldly, just as John the Baptist did in his day.

Yours in the Lord, Lucy

Mass Intentions

St. Denis

Sat. Jan. 18	5:30pm	J.M. (living)
Sun. Jan. 19	7:30am	Diane Lee (+)
	9:30am	Paul Kanyuck Sr. (+)
	11:30am	B.G., G.G., A.B. (living)
Mon. Jan. 20	8:00am	For civil rights
Tues. Jan. 21	8:00am	For gardeners
Wed. Jan. 22	8:00am	Respect for all life
Thurs. Jan. 23	8:00am	For Hawaiian people
Fri Jan. 17	8:00 am	For farmers

Our Lady of the Wayside

Sat. Jan. 18	4:30pm	Christian unity
Sun. Jan. 19	9:30am	Christian unity

In your charity, please pray for...

J.M., G.G., Janice Varvelle, Teresa Bautista, Holly Hermansen, Pier Iglesias, Rosa Sharif, John Hunter, Anselmo Briones, Grace Kohan,
Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.

Faith Formation News

CLASS TIMES: Parents! Please remember that our early classes begin at 9:15am!

9:15am (PreK to 4th grades)

10:30am (5th & 6th)

5:30pm (7th & 8th, select Sundays)

NO CLASSES TODAY, January 19, for the MLKing Jr. holiday.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT DAY

Our next retreat day will be Saturday, January 25 from 10am to 5:30pm at Our Lady of the Wayside Church. If you have not yet attended a retreat day, this is for you!

Bring your Catholic Connections Handbook and a bag lunch.



SACRAMENT WORKSHOP

Sunday, February 2 at 1:00pm in St. Denis Church. This is a hands-on workshop exploring the Sacraments, their symbols and rituals. Especially for parents and kids receiving First Communion this year, but open to all!

Question Of The Week

How does your life point others to Jesus?

Vallombrosa In Need Of Wknd. Host

Vallombrosa Retreat and Conference Center in Menlo Park needs a weekend host to welcome guests, answer the telephone, perform tasks involving our overnight guests and those commuters attending events by displaying a cordial and pleasant presence and be able to work with efficiency. An interested candidate would be hospitable, polite, punctual, and reliable and dress in casual business attire. The hours would be from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday. The work may be extended to longer hours with a possibility of Monday or Friday work when we have high turnover in groups. We need someone with Microsoft Office and data entry experience, Spanish bilingual in best case scenario, with an ability to meet and greet the public, answer local questions, give local directions and work with guests in a pleasant but directive manner. Please email your resume and a note as to why you would be a great fit to DAVIDL at Vallombrosa.org.



Knit & Pray

Knit and Pray starts up again Monday, January 27th at 5:30pm in the parish library. Appetizers and wine served. Please join us to learn or share your talent. We meet on the 4th Mondays.



Bulletin Deadline

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deadline for bulletin articles is Tuesday before noon, before the weekend of publication. All announcements during Mass are to be scripted and approved by Dede prior to Masses. Contact her at dedewm@pacbell.net

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



Stewardship

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (Estimated goal)	\$459,000.00
July 1, 2019 to December 2019	\$220,673.00
Monthly Goal– December 2019	\$45,000.00
December 2019 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$41,272.00
Christmas Collection (does not include Egiving)	\$36,651.00

Donation Corner

“Save Time and Donate Online!”

Online Giving is available for parishioners with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit our website stdenisparish.org, and follow the links. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call WeShare at 800 950-9952.

Outreach Committee Towel Drive

Maple Street Shelter Clients are in need of towels. They can be gently used or new towels. We can provide to the clients who are leaving the shelter to start a new life in their own apartment. You may leave towels in the barrel in the church. We will collect through the end of January. Thank you for your generosity.



Christmas Tea

Thank you to all that volunteered and came to our Annual Christmas Tea.



Upcoming Events

January 25th– Confirmation Retreat 10:00am at Our Lady of the Wayside Church

January 27th- Knit and Pray at 5:30pm in the parish library

February 2nd- Sacrament Workshop 1pm at St. Denis Church

February 3rd– Fr. Paul's First Communion Class 3:30pm in the parish library

February 8th- St. Valentine Italian Dinner at 5:30pm (after 4:30pm mass) at Our Lady of Wayside Church

February 9th– Confirmation Class meets at 5:30pm in the church

February 11th– Senior Lunch with Communion Service at noon in the parish hall (note date change)



Beware Of Email Scams

The scammers are out in force this holiday season. Churches and pastors throughout the Bay Area are experiencing a tremendous increase in attacks wherein parishioners receive an email or text message from a priest asking for emergency help in the form of cash or gift cards. These are NEVER real requests. If you think your pastor is asking for help via email or text, CALL YOUR CHURCH, even on the weekends or at night. Please spread the word to others in your parish to prevent anyone from being taken advantage of.