

# 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



**April 2nd, 2023 Palm Sunday**

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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 Palm Sunday, we embark upon the holiest week of the year. Holy week gives us the opportunity to delve into the richness of our faith, and to walk with Jesus so as to understand and appreciate the tremendous pain and suffering he endured to save us from our sins.

On Holy Thursday night, we celebrate the Lord's Last Supper with his disciples before his trial before Pontius Pilate. Jesus gives himself in the simple food of bread and wine. By the power of his word and in the breaking of bread, Jesus gives his real presence for us to consume for all time. Let us celebrate our faith by attending mass on Holy Thursday night. It is a tradition that is worth attending.

On Good Friday, we recall the passion of the Christ. There is no better place to be than to accompanying Jesus as he stands trial, carries his cross and dies on the cross. He sacrificed his life for us. Let us be there with him in his hour of need and at his darkest hour. Let us not abandon him for he is always there in our time of need.

At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the most glorious moment of our life. For Jesus is risen. Jesus is alive. He has conquered sin and death once and for all. Easter Sunday is the most important Sunday of all. May we gather together to celebrate our faith at mass.

God bless, Fr. Paul

## We Believe

The onset of Holy Week begins with the annual blessing and distribution of palms. As we recall Jesus' "kingly" entry into Jerusalem, we remember the triumphant shouts of support and how they quickly turned into infected crowds yelling "Crucify him!" An end to Jesus short-lived ministry on earth and the realization that his teachings had only touched a faithful few undeniably added to the anxiety and suffering of this so-called 'King of the Jews.'

As believers we are challenged to contemplate Jesus' suffering, death, and Resurrection with a more intense focus this coming week. It is this culmination of Jesus' earthly life, this Paschal Mystery, that provides the very framework for us to understand the precious gift of life and the challenges and graces that go with it.

Jesus' suffering reminds us of his solidarity with each one of us. Jesus, the faultless suffering servant, misunderstood and oppressed, becomes the ultimate human victim that elevates the suffering of all humanity and hopefully instills in us the compassion, understanding, and forgiveness that he modeled throughout his journey to his painful and humiliating death.

This week, as we revisit Jesus' final journey, we are called to divine unity with our loving God and all our brothers and sisters, through him, with him, and in him. .

Dede Waters-Masters

## Mass Intentions

### St. Denis Church

Sat. Apr.	1	5:30 pm	Joan Fennimore (+)
Sun. Apr.	2	7:30 am	Victims of gun violence
		9:30 am	Mary Keady (+)
		11:30 am	Victims of gun violence
Mon. Apr.	3	8:00 am	Victims of religious persecution
Tues. Apr.	4	8:00 am	In thanksgiving
Wed. Apr.	5	8:00 am	Our Jewish sisters & brothers
Thurs. Apr.	6	8:00 am	For vocations
		7:00 pm	For vocations
Fri. Apr.	7	12:00 pm	Good Friday Service



### Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Sat. Apr.	1	4:30 pm	Victims of gun violence
Sun. Apr.	2	9:30 am	Victims of gun violence

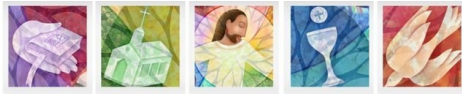
In your charity, please pray...

Marie Kenney, Susan Nappi, LG, GRM, Carol C., J.M., G.G., Janice Varvelle, Pier Iglesias, Rosa Sharif, John Hunter, Anselmo Briones, John Cummins, Sandy McGinley, Jack Walsh **Names will be removed monthly unless you let the office know. Thank you.**

## Faith Formation News

### EASTER EGG HUNT

The egg represents the stone in front of the tomb, and the new life within. The 'hunt' reminds us to always search for the Lord. Join us after the 9:30am Family Mass on Easter Sunday, April 9th in the garden behind St. Denis. All children are welcome!



*Faith Formation*

### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

No Classes on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

All classes resume on Sunday, April 16

### FR. PAUL'S FIRST COMMUNION CLASS MEETS TOMORROW

Monday, April 3 at 3:30pm in the parish hall.

### CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

We will confirm 15 young parishioners on Saturday, April 22 at 11:00am.

Please pray for them, and join the celebration!

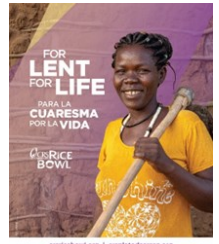
## Question Of The Week

When listening to the Passion today, I will put myself in the shoes of someone who was there. What do I see? What do I hear? What do I feel? What am I going to do?

## Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls

We hope the Rice Bowl program helped with your Praying, Fasting and Giving during Lent. It is time to bring them back to the church! Filled Rice Bowls will be collected in the box in the back of the church. Or you can drop your donation in the collection during Mass anytime during Holy Week or Easter season.

For more information or to donate directly to Catholic Relief Services, go to [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org)



## Storm Damage To OLV

Last Tuesday's storm damaged Our Lady of the Wayside, when a large branch fell on the roof. Repairs on under way &

Mass will be offered in the Rectory until further notice. Thank you for your patience.



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

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



## Offertory Stewardship

July 1, 2022 to June 30th, 2023 (Goal)	\$379,000.00
July 1, 2022 to February, 2023 (Received so far)	\$252,456.00
February 2023 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$29,712.00
February 2023 Sunday Offertory Collections (Goal)	\$29,152.00
Annual Appeal (Goal)	\$91,995.00
Annual Appeal (Received so far)	\$73,364.00

## 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](http://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 877 316-0260.



## The Triduum

**Holy Thursday– April 6, 7pm at St. Denis (Mass with feet washing & Benediction)**

**Good Friday- April 7, 12 noon at St. Denis (Stations, Passion, Adoration of Cross, Communion)**

**Easter Vigil– April 8, 7pm at St. Denis**

**Easter Sunday– April 9 Regular Sunday Mass Schedules at St. Denis & Our Lady of the Wayside. Family Mass at 9:30am at St. Denis with Easter Egg Hunt.**



## Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, you can drop a check or cash in the amount of \$10.00 in the collection basket, or bring to the parish office. We need the name of your loved one, & which church St. Denis or OLW. *Send in by Friday, April 7th.*



## Hoover Preschool Easter Baskets

Once again our parish will be able to bring a smile to the children of Hoover School in Redwood City. We'll surprise the preschool students with a visit the week before Easter. If you would like to donate, we will have an Easter basket with envelopes at the back of the church. If writing a check put Hoover Easter baskets in the memo line. As always, we, & the children, very much appreciate your generosity.



## Support Your Parish!

Please continue to financially support your parish so that we can continue to provide the ministries that everyone relies on. You may mail your donations to the parish office, or you may give online through WeShare. Go to the parish website [stdenisparish.org](http://stdenisparish.org) to find the links to set up your donation or you may call WeShare at 800 950-9952, press 3, then press 2 or email [weshare@4lpi.com](mailto:weshare@4lpi.com). We thank you for your support!

