

# 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 9th, 2023 Easter Sunday**

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

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

## Pastor's Corner

Dear beloved parishioners,

Rest in peace. These are the words that are said to someone who has lost a loved one. To hear these words is truly comforting in our time of mourning and grieving. These words though are more than comforting words. As people of faith, as an Easter people we believe in these words. For we believe in Christ Jesus. For we believe Jesus is risen. For we believe Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.

Jesus' way is not our way though. His way entails a whole new way of thinking and seeing life, human life, in particular. It involves faith. Jesus' way is the way of suffering, dying on the cross and ultimately rising from the dead. He did this so that we may have eternal life. So that our loved ones can have peace. Rest in peace then truly means that there is a better place for our loved ones. There is a better place for us some day as well. It is to be with God for all eternity. Being in the presence of God in heaven is where we are meant to be forever. There is not better place or state of being.

Easter reminds us, and instills in us that death is not the end then. It is through death that we will rise. The Holy Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will raise us up as well. Believing in this compels us to mourn and grieve for only a short time. For our hearts swell with joy and peace because we believe Jesus is risen. Jesus is alive. So too our loved ones.

God bless, Fr. Paul

## We Believe

Happy Easter to all of you! Aside from the religious significance, as a child, I looked forward to the Easter bunny and the annual Easter egg hunt. As a young mother, I loved to dress up my children in new clothes and parade them around for family and friends. Now, as a 72 year old senior, I'm asking myself, "How is this Easter really touching me?"

I've come to see that the celebration of Jesus' rising from the dead is really about allowing Jesus to rise more meaningfully within me. The experience of Easter is a challenge to transform and grow in new and deeper ways.

Every time Jesus rises in our own hearts, the Resurrection happens again. It is not a "one time" event. Recognizing these Resurrections is recognizing where we might not have seen Christ before—in the marginalized, the unloved, and the unwanted of our world. The reality of the Resurrection lies not in Jesus' transformation from death into life, but in our on-going and deepening transformations from self-centeredness into love.

Dede Waters-Masters

## Mass Intentions

### St. Denis Church

Sat. Apr.	8	7:00 pm	World peace
Sun. Apr.	9	7:30 am	Guido & Florence Budelli (+)
		9:30 am	Heather Ann Crawford (+)
		11:30 am	Tyler Scheetz (+)
Mon. Apr.	10	8:00 am	Communion Service
Tues. Apr.	11	8:00 am	Communion Service
Wed. Apr.	12	8:00 am	Communion Service
Thurs. Apr.	13	8:00 am	Communion Service
Fri. Apr.	14	8:00 am	Communion Service



### Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Sat. Apr.	8	4:30 pm	No Mass
Sun. Apr.	9	9:30 am	World peace

In your charity, please pray for...

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 9

In the garden behind St. Denis. All children are welcome!

### FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS

No sessions on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

All sessions resume on Sunday, April 16

### CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

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

Please pray for them, and join the celebration!

### FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

Please join us as the children receive the Eucharist for the first time on

Sunday, April 30 at the 11:30am Mass, Saturday, May 6 at the 5:30pm Mass, and Sunday, May 7 at the 9:30am Mass. All celebrations will be at St. Denis, while we wait for the church at Our Lady of the Wayside to be repaired.

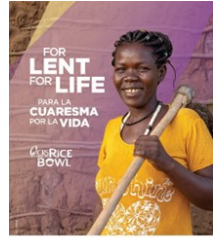
## Question Of The Week

Jesus is risen! Alleluia!

What needs resurrecting in my life?

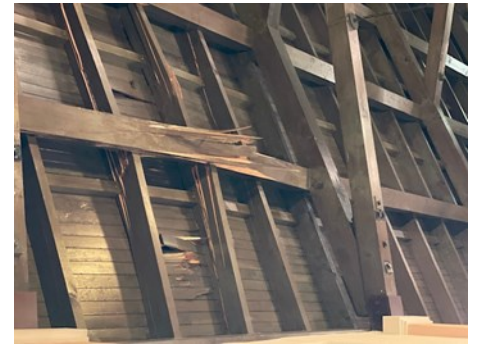
## Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls

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 months 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 March, 2023 (Received so far)	\$284,966.00
March 2023 Sunday Offertory Collections	\$32,510.00
March 2023 Sunday Offertory Collections (Goal)	\$29,152.00
Annual Appeal (Goal)	\$91,995.00
Annual Appeal (Received so far)	\$86,409.00

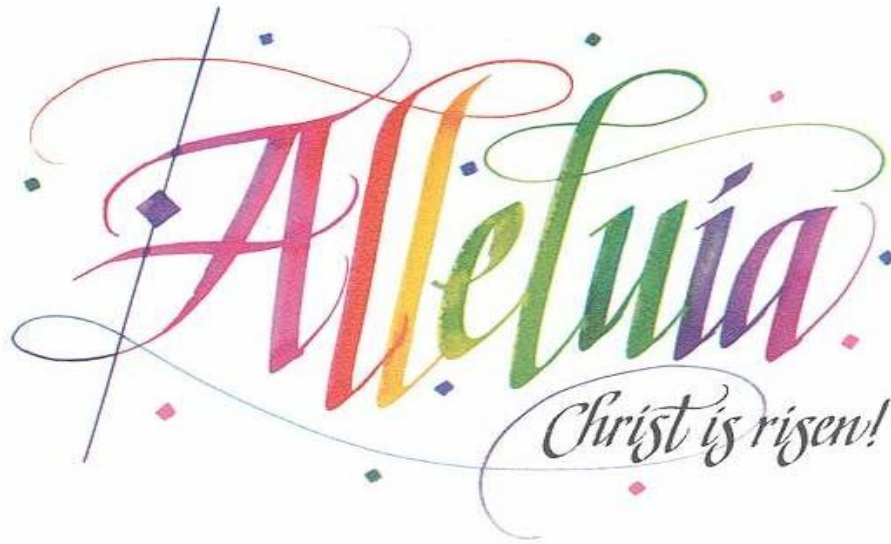
## Donation Corner

### "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.



**Happy Easter!**



## **Senior Lunch**

**Join fellow seniors on Tuesday, April 25th, for Communion Service and lunch at noon in the St Denis Parish hall.**



## **Hoover Preschool Easter Baskets**

**Once again our parish delivered Easter baskets to the children of Hoover School in Redwood City. You can still donate. 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!**

