

St. Denis Parish

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St. Denis Church

Father Jose Shaji, Administrator
2250 Avy Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:30pm
Sunday - 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

Daily Mass: 8:00am

Confessions: Saturday from 4:30 to 5:00pm at both churches.

Parish Office – 854-5976; **FAX:** 854-3754 – **Office Hours:** Mon. – Fri.: 9-12 & 1-5; www.stdenisparish.org

Religious Ed Office, Victor Valdez, 854-1081; **Sr. de Chantal's Office**, 854-1251

Baptisms and Marriages: Call the parish office.

Our Lady of the Wayside Church

Father Thomas Moran, In Residence
930 Portola Road
Portola Valley, CA 94028 – 851-5085

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:15 pm
Sunday – 9:30 am

Daily Mass: 7:30am (Tue., Wed. & Thu.)

AUGUST 3, 2008 – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners,

We are in the middle of the summer vacation. And in about a month most young families will be frantically getting ready for another School year. And it is time that we as a parish give a thought to our religious education programme which begins on the weekend of September 14.

Our greatest need for the Religious education programme is for Catechists or religious education teachers. If any of you would like to offer your services as a teacher please feel free to contact Victor Valdez or me. We are really in need of teachers. We would like to have two or three teachers in each class to make it less burdensome and less challenging. The future of our Church depends on our children to whom we impart our Christian faith.

Victor Valdez, the Director of our Religious education programme is back from a successful surgery. He is ready for another busy year. So let us give him all the support we can to make the religious education programme of our parish a success.

Yours sincerely,

Fr. Jose Shaji

ST. DENIS SPIRITUALITY/DISCUSSION GROUP

The Group will meet on August 7th. We are reading “*The Faith Club*” written by three women, Jewish, Christian and Muslim. Read chap. 5, “Stop Stereotyping Me!”. All are welcome to join us. We meet in the Meeting Room of the parish office on Thursday. at 9 am.

RELAY FOR LIFE

The Relay for Life is being held at Burgess Park August 9th from 9:00 am until August 10th 9:00 am. Pat Mach has a team registered to walk and all walkers and donors are needed. The team must have someone on the track for 24 hours. Please feel free to join our Team, Alli's Allies, or donate to this very worthy cause at www.events.cancer.org/rflmenloparkca.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK – MISSIONARY CO-OPERATION PLAN

Every year each parish hosts a missionary appeal. Next weekend we welcome one of the Holy Ghost Fathers.

The Holy Ghost Fathers are an International Missionary Society, one of the largest Missionary Congregations in the Church. They are responsible, in large part, for the evangelization of many African people, in countries such as Ghana, Liberia, Angola, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Zambia, Tanzania and Malawi. Some of our missionaries are working in very tense and difficult situations, especially in war ravaged countries.

The Holy Ghost Fathers are involved in all kinds of missionary activities from pastoral ministry to educational work at all levels, to the training of native clergy to social and agricultural work. The Holy Ghost Fathers also have missions in Asia and South America. In recent years they have even begun to work in China. The Holy Ghost Fathers are grateful for your prayers and continued support.

ST. DENIS RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

The deadline to register your children for Religious Ed this year is September 12th. Classes begin on September 14th. Registration forms are on the table at the church entrance.

BASIC CATECHIST FORMATION – There will be four workshops for new & experienced catechists. The first one will be held at St. Matthias in Redwood City on Tuesday, August 5 from 7 to 8:30 pm The presenter is Sr. Celeste Arbuckle, SSS. The second one will be held at St. Denis in the Parish Center on Saturday August 9th from 10 to 11:30 am and will be repeated on Tue. August 12 at St. Pius Church, Redwood City from 7 to 8:30 pm. The presenter is Victor Valdez, our DRE. We encourage all of our new and returning catechists to attend. Dates of future workshops are on the flyer on the bulletin board.

SAVE THESE IMPORTANT DATES!!

AUGUST 30 - **Evening Mass in the Garden – 5:30 pm** - followed by a gourmet hamburger and hot dog **Bar-B-Q**. Watch for flyers with Sign-up forms next week.

SEPTEMBER 18 – **Golf Tournament** at Sharon Heights Golf Club followed by dinner in the Parish Center.

OCTOBER 6 – **Senior Trip To The Wine Country**

SPRING 2009 — **Parish Picnic** - Date to be determined.

REST IN PEACE Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ernest Thorson (Maria's husband).

IN YOUR CHARITY

Please pray for the sick of the parish and all those in the service who put their lives on the line daily.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK INCLUDE

Sat.	5:30 pm	Franklin Bautista	Tue.	8:00 am	Don Henriksen
Sun.	7:30 am	St. Denis Parishioners	Wed.	8:00 am	Maria L. Medeiros
Sun.	9:30 am	Suzanne Vertiz	Thu.	8:00 am	Mercedes Pineda
Sun.	11:30 am	Wm. & Norine McMahan	Fri.	8:00 am	Sergio & Emilia Medeiros
Mon.	8:00 am	Paul Carey	Sat.	8:00 am	Carol Cauwet