

# St. Denis Parish

St. Denis Church  
2250 Avy Avenue  
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:30pm  
Sunday – 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am  
Daily Mass: 8:00am



Our Lady of the Wayside Church  
930 Portola Road  
Portola Valley, CA 94028  
650-854-5976

Mass: Saturday (vigil) 5:15pm  
Sunday 9:30am  
Daily Mass: 7:30am (Tue, Wed, Thu)

**Parish staff:** Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor  
Fr. Tom Moran, In residence

**Parish Office, Mary Cague, Secretary,** 650-854-5976;  
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**Baptisms and Marriages:** Call the parish office

[www.StDenisParish.org](http://www.StDenisParish.org)

**Confessions:** Saturday – 4:30pm to 5:00pm at both Churches

***FEBRUARY 14, 2010 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel reading of today is from the Gospel of Luke and it is called ‘the sermon on the plain’ and it parallels Matthew’s ‘sermon on the mount.’ Luke in his Gospel gives importance to the poor. He begins with “blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.” It differs from Matthew’s account, “blessed are the poor in Spirit.” Poverty is an evil and it is not God’s way of punishing some people. The world has enough resources for every human being to have the necessities of life and to live in dignity. God will not be able to remove poverty unless the world cooperates with him. Poverty and hunger will be eradicated when people are able to share, treat every other person with dignity and bring about justice.

We will be entering the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 17. During the Lenten season, there will be a special Mass at St. Denis on every Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm, followed by a soup supper at the Parish Center.

On February 23 at 7:00 pm Fr. David Pettingill will give a talk at St. Denis Parish Center. Being the year of the priest he will talk on priesthood from the point of view of the priesthood that every baptized Christian shares with Christ.

Yours Sincerely,  
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

## ***ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES***

At St. Denis Church there will be three Masses on Ash Wednesday; our regular 8:00 am Mass, Mass at 12 Noon followed by Anointing of the sick & elderly and a soup luncheon, & evening Mass at 6:00 pm. At Our Lady of the Wayside Church Ash Wednesday Masses will be at 7:30 am and 7:00 pm

## ***ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP LUNCHEON***

Following the 12 Noon Mass on Ash Wednesday, everyone is invited to gather in the Parish Center for a soup luncheon. Sign-up sheets are available at the church entrance. There is no charge but we need to know how many are coming in order to prepare properly.

## ***STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT***

The Stations of the Cross will be said at both churches after the morning Mass on Fridays.  
Coffee and hot cross buns will be served at St. Denis Church after the Mass on Fridays during Lent.

### ***WEEKDAY MASSES DURING LENT***

The morning Mass at St. Denis Church is at 8:00 am. The morning Mass at Our Lady of the Wayside Church during Lent will be at 7:30 am on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

### ***LENTEN DISCIPLINES***

**ABSTINENCE:** Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on ASH WEDNESDAY, the FRIDAYS of Lent and GOOD FRIDAY.

**FAST:** Everyone eighteen years of age and older, but under the age of sixty, is also bound to fast on ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY.

On these 2 days, the law of fast allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted. When health or the ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

### ***RELIGIOUS EDUCATION***

Check out our Religious Education page on our parish website: [www.stdenisparish.org](http://www.stdenisparish.org). Note there are **NO** Religious Education classes on Sunday, **Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>**. Normal class schedule resumes Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>.

***ST. DENIS GARDEN COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:30 AM.***

### ***SPIRITUAL CARE PROGRAM, STANFORD UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL***

Volunteers are needed in the Spiritual Care Program at Stanford Hospital to visit and pray and offer the Eucharist to patients and families. Volunteers must be willing to commit 2 hours a week for a year. A Training Program will begin next Monday, February 22. For more information call 723-5101.

***THE LITTLE BLACK BOOKS FOR LENT ARE AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE.***

### ***IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.***

*Al Allen, Agnes Babcock, Michael Bohn., Robert Biagini Bradbury, Robert Collins, Gertrude DeZelaya, Jonathan Michael Fil, Phillis Flinn, A.J. Goers, Bob Hunter, Brent Hunter, Ryan Johnston, Maurice Kidd, Lisa Kitz, Phyllis Lucas, Ann Martin, Raymond Schaaf Sr, Mary Schleifer, Don Schroeder, Bill Selenger, Nancy Snideman, Kathleen Spillane, Stephen Tillim, Vincee Viso, Frank Vitale, Charles Winter and Bill Zonner.*

### ***MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK INCLUDE***

Sat.	5:30 pm	Ralph Oswald, requested by Dr. Frank Koch
Sun.	7:30 am	St. Denis Parishioners
Sun.	9:30 am	Joan Bachand, requested by Walt & Vivian Weber
Sun.	11:30 am	James Ciardella, requested by Helen Ciardella
Tue.	8:00 am	Special Intention, requested by Gabriella Kohne
Wed.	8:00 am	Ernst Hofmann, requested by Nicholas Colasanti
Fri.	8:00 am	Paul Gilles, requested by Margaret Gilles

Sunday collection February 7, 2010 - \$9,842.00. - Sunday collection February 2, 2009 - \$7,217.00.

***THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEB. 15 - PRESIDENTS DAY.***