

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

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Sr. de Chantal Selenger, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 650-854-1251
Baptisms and Marriages: Call the parish office

www.StDenisParish.org

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

MARCH 14, 2010 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear Parishioners,

There is a common theme that runs through the readings of this Sunday: God's mercy to the sinner, His offer of reconciliation to those who have rejected His love. The parable of the Prodigal Son speaks of the forgiving love the father has for both his sons. Both his sons hurt their father. The father forgave his younger son who left home and squandered his inheritance. The father was patient and kind to the older son who was unhappy with his father. God is just like the father in the parable, loving, forgiving, patient and overindulgent with us His sons and daughters.

We are starting a youth group at St. Denis in collaboration with St. Raymond's Church and the Nativity Church. There will be a meeting of young people who are interested in joining the youth group on March 28, after the 9:30 am Mass at St. Denis Parish Center. The youth director from Nativity Church, Monica Hendricks will be coming to meet the youth of our parish. I would like to invite high school students and 8th grade students who would like to join the youth group to take part in this meeting.

On March 25 at 7:00 pm there will be a communal penance service and opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation individually.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

THE 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Your contribution today funds several national Catholic organizations that aid victims of natural disasters and armed conflict; provide agricultural assistance, water programs, and health care; resettle newcomers to the United States; help alleviate poverty in developing countries by providing credit to small entrepreneurs; provide legal support services for poor immigrants and advocate for policies and programs that promote global justice and peace. Please be generous.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER HAS REACHED CAPACITY. RESERVATIONS CLOSED

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion Students -Sunday March 14 and March 21

Please come to the front of the church immediately following the 9:30 Mass for a brief rehearsal at the piano.

Second Year Confirmation Students

Last regular meeting is Sunday March 14th from 5:30 – 7pm.

The April 11th meeting is a practice for Candidates and Sponsors.

4th Grade Students

Will now be returning to the pews immediately following their class, rather than gathering on the altar.

***THE ST. DENIS GARDEN WORKDAY IS SATURDAY, MARCH 20 FROM 10 TO 12.
VOLUNTEERS AND NEWCOMERS ARE MOST WELCOME. RAIN CANCELS.***

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Adult Bible Class to start next Sunday, March 21st about ten minutes after the 9:30 Mass is finished. We'll meet for six consecutive sessions with the exception of Easter Sunday. Easy to get to the 11:30 Mass, if that is your choice, from the class. All are most welcome to come join the class, sit back and learn more about your Bible, Church etc. Any questions call John Lippert, 854-3278.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

If you would like to assist with the preparations for our Holy Week celebrations (such as preparing the palms for Palm Sunday, arranging the set up for foot washing on Holy Thursday, and flower arrangement for the Chapel) call Sr. Chantal at 854-1251.

SHOWER OF SUPPORT

St. Denis and Our Lady of the Wayside, in partnership with First Resort (a ministry dedicated to the support of mothers who find themselves in difficult circumstances during their pregnancy) will be hosting a Baby Shower for four expectant mothers on Saturday, April 10th at 2:00 pm in the Monsignor Rodriguez Parish Center. Gift tags are available at the back of the Church. We hope you can join us for this event. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend! Please call Eve Scott at 650 804-2481 to RSVP or for more information.

IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.

Al Allen, Agnes Babcock, Michael Bohn., Robert Biagini Bradbury, Robert Collins, Gertrude DeZelaya, Amelia Elsbree, 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, William Yates and William Zonner.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK INCLUDE

Sat.	5:30 pm	+ Lois M. Ruesing by Francis Ruesing
Sun.	7:30 am	+ Irene Goodwin by Bob & Mary Hagman
Sun.	9:30 am	+ Al Yujuico by Lu Yujuico
Sun.	11:30 am	+ James Ciardella by Helen Ciardella
Mon.	8:00 am	+ Theodore Cague by the Cague Family
Sat.	8:00 am	+ Al Yujuico by Lu Yujuico