

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;
FAX: 650-854-3754 – **Office Hours:** Mon. – Fri.: 9-12 & 1-5.

Religious Ed Office, Rosemary Lyon, 650-854-1081; e-mail, ryon.stdenis@gmail.com
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

NOVEMBER 29, 2009 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dear Parishioners,

We begin another liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. The purpose of Advent is to help us to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Birth of Christ. The readings of this season tell us how God prepared the people of Israel for the Birth of the Savior, Jesus Christ. We are the beneficiaries of all the promises God made to the people of Israel. May this season of Advent help us to appreciate the great blessings that God has given us in the person of Jesus Christ.

We inaugurate the giving tree on the first Sunday of Advent. I am very grateful to Joan Barada who is chairing the project this year. I would like to invite you all to participate in it. May our generosity bring joy and cheer to those who are not as blessed and fortunate as we are, during the Christmas season!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NO CLASS TODAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

**Parent info meeting for grades 4-6 RE: Shield the Vulnerable Online Training
Sunday, December 6th in the Parish Center at 10:30 am.**

ST DENIS GIVING TREE

Our **Giving Tree** is up today. Please take a tag and bring back a gift for that person. If you prefer to give a cash donation there will be a box there for that purpose. If you would like to help with this project, please call Joan Barada, 854-9442. Thank you.

“ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH”

2009 St. Denis & Our Lady of the Wayside Christmas Tea, on Saturday, December 12th - 1 pm

to 4 pm in the Parish Center. ***“Pacific Springs”***, a classical string ensemble will play and Nicole Wolf, vocalist, will sing. Tickets \$25.00 each. Registration forms are in the back of the church and in the Parish office. Call Mary at 854-5976 or Josephine at 506-6571 during office hours.

THE 2ND COLLECTION TODAY IS THE “5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION”, FOR PARISH CHARITY.

ATTENTION ALL PARISH CHILDREN

You are invited to participate in the Children’s Epiphany Pageant – Sunday, January 3rd the Feast of the Epiphany during the 9:30 Mass. We will start taking sign-ups the 1st weekend of December.

Practices will be on Sunday, December 20th after the 11:30 Mass and on Saturday, January 2nd at 11 am for “main characters.”

ST DENIS GARDEN COMMITTEE

The next work day for the garden committee is Sat., December 5, 10 am to 1 pm. All are welcome.

PARENTS! Please do not let your children throw pebbles into the fountain. Thank you.

OPEN HOUSE AT WOODSIDE PRIORY

Prospective students and parents are invited to attend an Open House at Woodside Priory on Saturday, December 5th. Please make reservations by calling 851-8223. The planned program starts at 10 am. Applications are now being accepted for both the Sixth grade and Freshman year of High School. The application deadline is January 14, 2010.

THE 22ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRECHE EXHIBIT

The Exhibit takes place December 5-9, Saturday-Wednesday from noon to 9 pm daily. The location is 3865 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. Admission is FREE. For more information call 856-3781 or go to www.christmascreche.org

ST. PIUS’ ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIFT BOUTIQUE

St. Pius Women’s Club will be holding its annual Holiday Gift Boutique on Sunday, December 6th from 10 am-6 pm at St. Pius Church, Fitzsimon Center, 1100 Woodside Rd., Redwood City. Choose from a variety of gifts; there will be entertainment throughout the day and delicious food will be available. Admission is free. For more information call 364-5204.

REST IN PEACE - Please pray for the repose of the soul of James Harsch.

IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.

Al & Deborah Allen, Agnes Babcock, Michael Bohn,, Robert Biagini Bradbury, Robert Collins, Gertrude DeZelaya, Jonathan Phillis Flinn, 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.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK INCLUDE

Sat. 5:30 pm	John Charles Mornand	Tue. 8:00 am	All Yujuico/Maria Thorson
Sun. 7:30 am	St. Denis Parishioners	Wed. 8:00 am	Sp. Int. of Yujuico Family
Sun. 9:30 am	Al Yujuico	Thu. 8:00 am	Tad Daszkiewicz
Sun. 11:30 am	Wm. & Norine McMahan Family	Fri. 8:00 am	Barbara Oswald
Mon. 8:00 am	Ashton Ebert (L)	Sat 8:00 am	Darlene Hagewood

(prayers for complete recovery)

Sunday collection Nov. 22, 2009 - \$8,377.50
Last year’s Sunday collection Nov. 23, 2008 - \$6,118.00.