

February 14, 2021 • Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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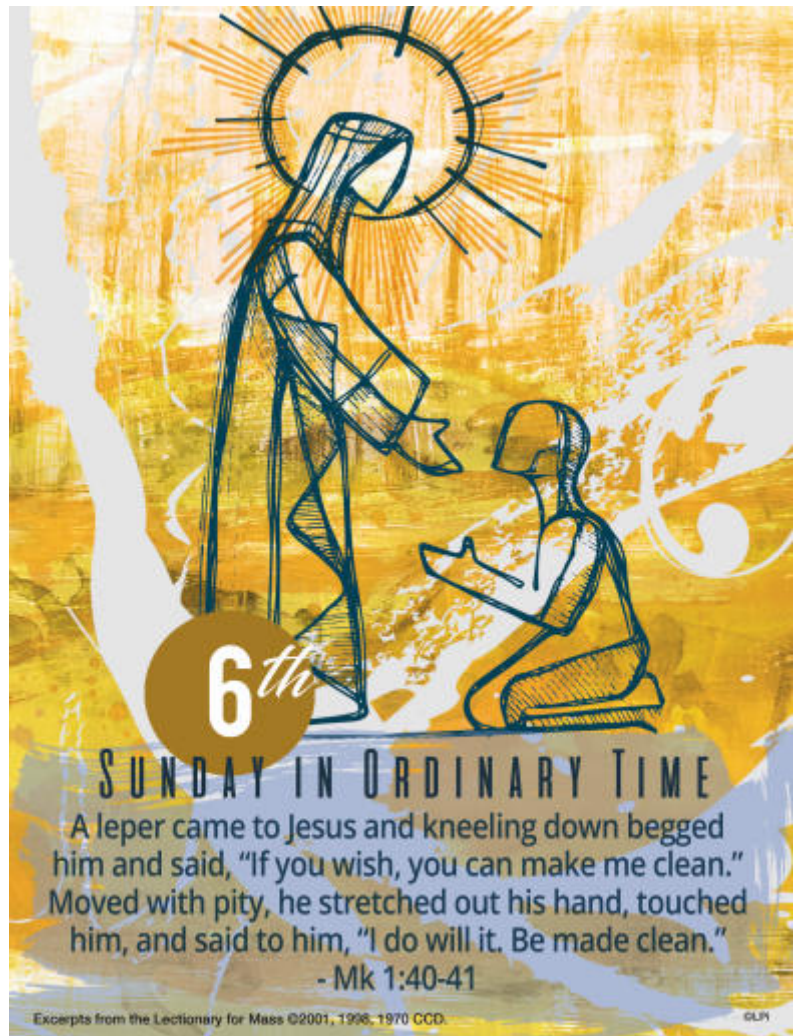
THE COMMUNITY OF

Saint Denis

*Celebrating God's Love
for All People*

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Our St. Denis Mission Statement

We, the Catholic Christian Community of St. Denis, as followers of Jesus Christ, call ourselves: to create a prayerful environment; to provide for spiritual, educational and social growth; to promote hospitality; to ensure the evangelization of our faith; and to minister to the people of our parish, our Ashburn community and our world.

Declaración de Misión de San Denis

Nosotros, la Comunidad Católica Cristiana de San Denis, como seguidores de Jesucristo, nos llamamos a: Crear un ambiente de oración; prever el crecimiento espiritual, educacional y social; promover la hospitalidad; asegurar la evangelización de nuestra fe; y atender a las personas de nuestra parroquia, de nuestra comunidad de Ashburn, y de nuestro mundo.

THIS AND THAT

Lent is the time that we are called to repentance. The forty day journey of Lent begins with the words, "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Forty is a symbolic number. It rained for forty days as Noah set sail in the ark. He left an old world and returned to a new world. Moses and the Israelite people journeyed from the slavery of an old world to a new world of freedom. Their journey was forty years long. Jesus is in the desert forty days. He began the journey in his old life in Galilee. He ended it in a new world as the Christ of God. Our forty day journey begins Wednesday for us in the old world of sin and death. We hope to find ourselves living a new life, as we come to Easter in forty days. Can we travel this time of difficult passage as Noah, the people of Israel, and Jesus did?

The honest answer is that we'll know in forty days. We have to change to move from old ways to new. One change would be to spend a day fasting. Fasting is for healthy adults between the ages of 18 and 59. This is to be done on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means one regular meal and two smaller meals with no snacks. The time saved in preparation, eating, and cleaning is meant to be used for prayer. Abstinence is for all older than fourteen years. Abstinence means not eating meat in any form on each of the Fridays of Lent. This is an exercise to help strengthen our desire to move from old ways to new ways.

Rice Bowls from Catholic Relief Service are a concrete way to give alms for those in need. Alms mean giving to the poor. Alms mean giving to someone who can't give back to you. This is another exercise to help prepare for a new life.

The bowls and calendars are available today after Mass. The crsricebowl.org web site allows

you to participate virtually. Reflections, recipes, even the Way of the Cross are available there. Check it out.

Little Black Books will be distributed today at Mass. These reflections are meant to help us pray through the forty days of our journey. We are going to need a lot of help to successfully complete our Lenten journey to a new life. That means lots of prayer to the One who can help. These books can help push us in the right direction.

May we remember that the Lord walks with us on our Lenten journey!

Fr. Ted



Those who are ill...

Elida Diaz, Al Dilger, Renee Pletsch

Those who serve our country...

Patrick Brice, Ryan Danielian,
Patrick Leamy, Antonio Worthy Jr.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	February 13, 2021 Chester Boteuk
Sunday	February 14, 2021 Marie & Walter Lojas
Monday	February 15, 2021 Jesus Paz
Tuesday	February 16, 2021 Int. of Richard Sr. & Richard Skocz
Wednesday	February 17, 2021 Doug Heimberg
Thursday	February 18, 2021 Jesus Paz
Friday	February 19, 2021 Peter Hernandez

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Our 2021 goal is \$11,004

Come, follow me ... and bring
hope to the world

Our parish is conducting our campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments.

The Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world," was selected because as disciples of Jesus, we follow the Master who both gives us hope and sends us to bring his hope to our world that needs it so much.

Each pledge makes a difference! All parishes communities participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our parishes, schools and ministries to deliver needed services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

Gifts can be made four different ways:

- by completing and returning the pledge form that you received in the mail.
- by using the envelopes that can be found in the brochures on the table as you exit church
- online at <http://annualcatholicappeal.com>
- Via text message:

Using a mobile device, open your text message application.

Enter the phone number 345345 in the To: section.

Type the keyword "ACA2021" (not case sensitive) in the message of your text application.

Hit the send button.

A text reply to your phone will give you a hyperlink to a secure online giving form.

Complete your gift by filling out the form and submitting.

On the form, do not select the "Donate" button at the top; you are already in the right form through the text message hyperlink.

Gifts will be processed by the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Campaña Católica Anual 2021

Nuestro objetivo para 2021 es \$ 11,004

Ven, sígueme ... y trae esperanza
al mundo

Nuestra parroquia está llevando a cabo su iniciativa para la Campaña Católica Anual. Por favor, recuerde que la Campaña Católica Anual es muy diferente de una colecta especial que ocurre una sola vez. Esta es una campaña de compromisos para donar, a través de la cual usted puede hacer un donativo a pagar en plazos.

El tema de la Campaña Católica Anual, "Ven, sígueme... y trae esperanza al mundo", fue seleccionado porque como discípulos de Jesús, seguimos al Maestro que nos da esperanza y nos envía para llevar su esperanza a nuestro mundo que tanto la necesita.

¡Cada compromiso hace una diferencia! Todas las comunidades parroquiales participan en la campaña y los donativos de muchos permiten que nuestras parroquias, escuelas y ministerios presten los servicios necesarios.

Los regalos se pueden hacer de cuatro formas diferentes:

- completando y devolviendo el formulario de compromiso que recibió por correo.
- utilizando los sobres que se pueden encontrar en los folletos sobre la mesa al salir de la iglesia
- en línea en <http://annualcatholicappeal.com>
- Por mensaje de texto:

Usando un dispositivo móvil, abra su texto aplicación de mensajes.

Introduzca el número de teléfono 345345 en el Para: sección.

Escriba la palabra clave "ACA2021" (no distingue entre mayúsculas y minúsculas) en el mensaje de su solicitud de texto.

Pulsa el botón de enviar.

Una respuesta de texto a su teléfono le dará un hipervínculo a un formulario seguro de donaciones en línea.

Complete su donación completando el formulario y enviándolo.

En el formulario, no seleccione el botón "Donar" en la parte superior; ya estás en la forma correcta a través del mensaje de texto Hipervínculo.

Los obsequios serán procesados por la Campaña Católica Anual.



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