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WORSHIP AT SAINT DENIS

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 and 11:30 AM

Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday: 7:30 AM;
Saturday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Wednesdays 4:00 - 4:30 PM,
Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM (and by
appointment).

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM;

First Fridays of the month 8:00 AM - Noon

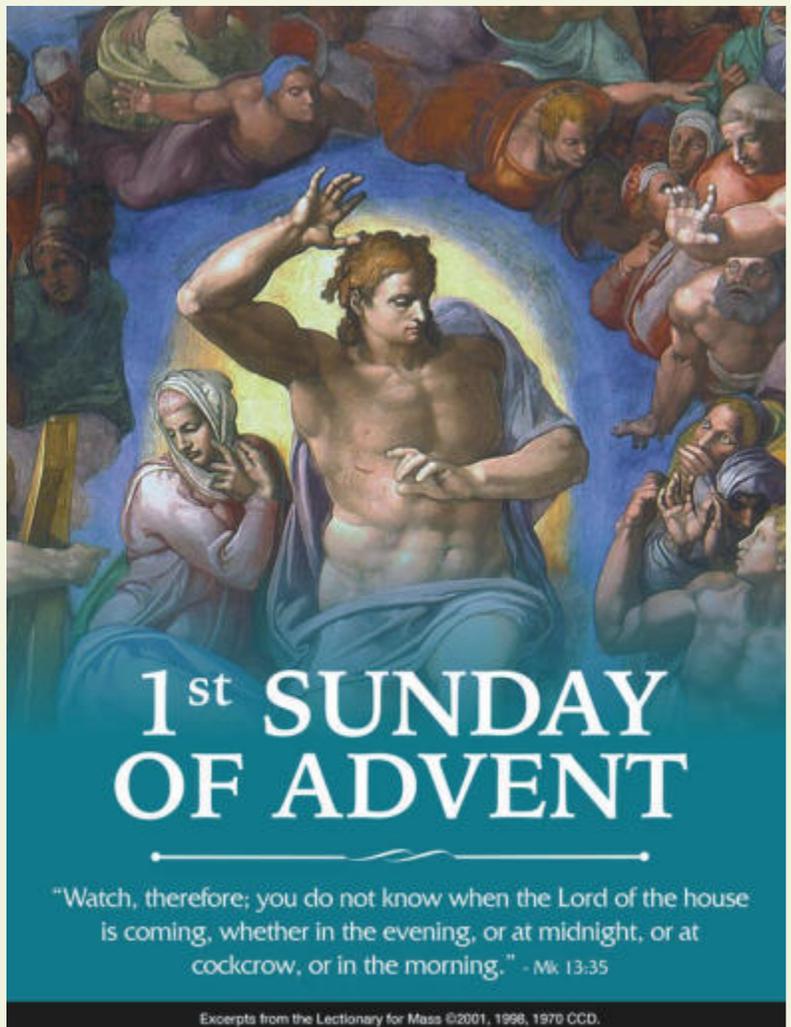
PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to Saint Denis Parish! We are grateful for your worshipping with us. If you regularly attend Mass here at St. Denis, you are encouraged to register in the parish at the office during the week. Parish Office hours are Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Please note that a family must be registered at St. Denis in order for their children to be enrolled in our religious education program.

INFANT BAPTISM: Takes place normally following the 11:30 AM Mass on Sundays. Families have the option of scheduling a baptism during the 9:00 AM Mass on Sundays. First-time parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal session; please call the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must contact the parish office at least six months in advance of scheduling a wedding.

VISITING THE SICK: Please call the parish office to arrange for Communion or for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.



November 29th 2020

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



“Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.”

— Mk 13:35-36

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov. 28	5:00 pm – For the people of St. Denis
Sun., Nov. 29	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:00 am – †Rev. Gunard Heikkila 11:30 am – Erin Nitz
Mon., Nov. 30	Saint Andrew 7:30 am – †David Bucci
Tues., Dec. 1	Advent Weekday 7:30 am – †Thomas & Margaret Flynn
Wed., Dec. 2	Advent Weekday 7:30 am – †Mary & John Chobanian
Thurs., Dec. 3	Saint Francis Xavier 9:00 am – Special Intensions of Elizabeth Snyder
Fri., Dec. 4	Advent Weekday 7:30 am – †Edward Goldrick
Sat., Dec. 5	Blessed Virgin Mary 9:00 am – Immaculate Heart of Mary 5:00 pm – For the people of St. Denis
Sun., Dec. 6	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:00 am – †Allan Campbell 11:30 am – †Maria Szczepiorkowska

The Mass intention book for 2021 is open. If you would like to have Masses offered for your personal intentions, for loved ones living or deceased, or for special occasions, please contact Mary Durand at admin.stdenis@gmail.com.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St Denis,

A new Season of Advent during the Year of COVID-19. We were a couple of weeks into Lent when the first lockdown happened. Because of the Thanksgiving holiday and bulletin deadlines, I am writing this Pastor's Corner almost two weeks in advance of the First Sunday of Advent, so I have no way of knowing if we will all be in a second lock-down by the time this bulletin appears. I pray that won't be the case, but many of our brothers and sisters in Christ in other states and in many parts of the world are, in fact, having to go without the sacraments once again, as new cases surge around the world as we begin a new liturgical year and enter into the season of preparation for the great Feast of Christmas.

So, given the fact that “the holiday season” (that stretch of time between Thanksgiving and New Year's) is going to look a lot different for many of us this year, we might as well “shift our emphasis” this Advent from office Christmas parties, travel, and large family gatherings, etc., to preparing our hearts spiritually to welcome Christ anew. The Church's liturgy can help us to do that – both the daily Mass readings for each day of Advent, as well as the readings that are given us in the Liturgy of Hours for the Advent Season. If you can't make it to daily Mass at St Denis during Advent, you could tune-in to our live stream at 7:30 AM. Even if I am, once again, saying Mass in an empty church with locked doors, I'll still be celebrating Mass for you, the parishioners of St Denis, each and every day at our regular times. Or you can simply use the daily Mass readings for each day of Advent as your Scripture reading during your personal prayer time each day, and in that small way, you can be united in heart and mind with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the world who will be reading and pondering those same Scriptures that day, whether at Mass or on their own.

This is from the first reading at Mass for the First Sunday of Advent this year – from the Prophet Isaiah: *Oh, that You would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before You, while You wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has heard, no eye ever seen, any God but You doing such deeds for those who wait for Him. Would that You might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of You in our ways!*

Come, Lord Jesus!

Fr Brian, OP

Please remember the following people in your prayers: Gerald Madden, Barbara Batt, Thomas Surprenant, Eddie Bloom, Cay Volpe, Trey Logue, Laura Boyajian, Heather Pedersen, Grace Carney, Jeannette Kendall, Daniel Markwood, Jivat Thadani, Susan J. Price, Ada Brown, Edward Christiano, Max Bryant, Elizabeth Murphy, Jim Horan, Paul E. Madden, Steven Ward, John and Patricia Huss., Annastacia Akiti, Rich Royce, Michael O'Leary, Grace Manna, Fernando Ferraz, Pat Sellers, Helen Quinn, Sandy Bondis, Carl Fogliano, Patricia Fowler, Jason Aaron, Perry Chase, John Hofmann, Annemarie Kleiber, Denise Carlin, Stephen Horan, Edward Kory, Thomas A. Madden, and Jennifer Reed., Marie Willis.

Anyone wishing to receive Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Parish office.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith at Home emails continue to go out each week.

2nd and 3rd Grade Sacramental Preparation Classes will meet via Zoom the weekend of Dec. 5th and 6th. Catechists will send out access information.

Ignite, for 7th and 8th graders and high schoolers, will meet on Dec. 6th at 10:30am via Zoom.

Do you have a 4th, 5th or 6th grader? We are considering adding a bi-monthly Zoom meeting for these grades if there is interest. Please let us know if you have any interest in this.

For more information on any of these programs, contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

MOMS' MINISTRY

Moms' Ministry continues to meet for prayer and fellowship via Zoom each Tuesday from 9:30-10:00am. Beginning This Lent, we will be reading and reflecting together on *Rejoice! Advent Meditations with the Holy Family* published through Ascension Press.

If you would like to be added to the email list, please contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

FAITH AND LITERATURE GROUP

Our next regularly scheduled zoom Faith and Lit will be on Tuesday, Dec 15th at 7:00 PM. We will be reading and discussing Charles Dicken's "A CHRISTMAS CAROL." To get a PDF of the book, or if you have questions or suggestions, please contact Sharon Weaver at sharon.ramey.weaver@gmail.com.



LaSalette Annual Christmas Celebration of Lights
At the present moment, we are still planning on having our annual Christmas Celebration of Lights. The lights will begin at 5:00 PM on November 26 (Thanksgiving) and run from 5-9 pm through January 3, 2021. Due to the pandemic, this year all visitors to the Shrine will be required to wear a face mask and practice social distancing at all times. For more information about the Christmas lights, please visit our website or call us directly at 508-222-5410!

ROSARY GROUP



Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary: The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on December 8th.** Pope Pius IX proclaimed this dogma in 1854: The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.(CCC 2nd Ed, 491)

We invite all parishioners to join the members of the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary in honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary by praying the Rosary directly after the 7:30 am Mass on Tues, Dec 8. For the many parishioners at home, please join us by praying the Rosary from your own home at 8 am.

Please contact Diane Palac through the Parish Office to inquire about joining the Confraternity.

Women's Rosary Group

Please join us on Friday mornings at 8:30 am for fellowship and to pray the rosary together for all our intentions. We join on Zoom whenever we are able. To sign up, please contact Mitsu Chobanian at mitsu.chobanian@gmail.com



Access to Bishop Barron's Word on Fire—Our parish has a subscription to Bishop Barron's Word on Fire ENGAGE. All of Bishop Barron's Word on Fire content is available to you in short video segments through St. Denis's Flocknote page. Take a few minutes to check it out and see the wealth of

resources at your fingertips!

If you are part of our Flocknote email list you have access to Word on Fire (WoF), but may not have known that. It is easy to access once you know how. You must first create a Flocknote login.

1. Go to flocknote.com/login
2. Enter your email address (the address that already received Flocknote emails)
3. Click "Reset or create a password" below the big blue" Sign In" button.
4. After that, click the yellow "Rest my password" button, and follow the prompts from there. Flocknote will send you a link to create a password.

Once you have your Flocknote login and password, log in to Flocknote. Once in Flocknote on the St. Denis dashboard you will see a large picture block of Bishop Barron that says, "You've got Word on Fire ENGAGE." Click on the orange button that says "Visit WoFDigital.org" and you have arrived!

If you would like to be added to Flocknote to receive emails and/or to have access to Word on Fire, please contact Jessica at the office or at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

If you encounter any difficulties, please call the office and we are happy to help you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of November 22, 2020

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12; Ps 23; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Rv 14:1-3; Ps 24; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2; Ps 100; Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rv 20:1-4; Ps 84; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95; Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17; Ps 80; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-3

Please join Fr. Brian virtually in prayer

Now that we are allowed to celebrate Mass in public, with precautions, we will continue to live stream all three weekend Mass, as well as our weekday Masses, for anyone who chooses to or who must remain at home at this time. Simply visit saintdenisparish.org and click on the box entitled "Live Streaming" to access St Denis Masses from home. Until we can figure out if it's possible to record the Masses through the digital camera installed in church, the recording of one Mass and uploading to YouTube will not continue. We will keep you posted.

The Church is open daily for private prayer from 8:00 am-4:00 pm. Please use the side entrance and practice social distancing from others who may be praying.

Some notes regarding Mass attendance

- **Attendance is limited to 80 people per Mass** to allow for appropriate distancing. **Please know we have not reached that limit for any one Mass yet.** Also, the basement is available for overflow seating should we need it.
- **The sound on the Smart TV in the basement is fixed and so overflow seating, or for those who would feel more comfortable for your or your children's sake, is available down in the Parish Hall.**
- The 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass has had very small attendance these past weekends and would provide an assured opportunity for a seat.

Distribution of Holy Communion

At weekday Masses at St Denis, the distribution of Holy Communion begins as soon as Father Brian has gone into the sacristy to wash his hands and put on his protective gear, and Father will be in the sanctuary until 8:00 am.

For Sunday Masses, since the distribution of Holy Communion begins the same way and lasts about 10 minutes, the distribution of Holy Communion outside of that time frame usually will not be available.

Important things to note

- **One restroom is available for each Mass. Please be sure to use the restroom that has the time for the Mass you are attending on the door.** That way we can thoroughly disinfect afterwards and keep the other restroom clean for the next Mass.
- The obligation we have as Catholics to attend Sunday Mass still remains suspended in the Diocese of Manchester.
- If you choose to come to Mass, a face covering is required.
- Please enter through the front/main doors of the Church.
- Holy Communion will be distributed once Mass has ended. You are asked to exit via the side door after receiving Communion.

Personal Protective Equipment: The parish is gratefully accepting donations of disposable, non-surgical **masks**, disposable **gloves**, and **disinfectant wipes**, if parishioners know how and where to procure a supply of these items. You can even submit the receipts for such items to the parish office to receive credit as a donation to St Denis.

ADVENT



What are you doing for Advent this year?

Use the lens of famous works of art inspired by Scripture to deepen your Advent experience.

Consider joining fellow parishioners for one hour each week as we use the weekly Scripture readings of Advent to explore four works of art. Meetings began on Nov. 23rd and continue on Nov. 30, Dec. 7, and Dec. 14. Even if you missed the first week - please join us.

Contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com to sign up and to receive access information.

Need candles for your Advent Wreath?

Sets of 12" Advent candles (3 purple, 1 pink) are for sale for \$5/set (check or exact change). Available in the Parish Office or by contacting Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

Missing the Advent Fair this year?

Even though we can't join together for our annual Advent Fair, your kids and grandkids can still prepare for Christmas with fun Advent crafts. Advent craft kits are available to be picked up. Any questions, contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

UPPER VALLEY CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

We are a group of young adults in our 20s or 30s who meet once a week in Hanover, NH for a Bible study or other fun activities. For more information and to be added to the e-mail list for upcoming meetings/events, please email uvcatholicyoungadults@gmail.com

Looking for some daily routines to grow in faith? **How about a mini meditation on a saint of the day?** Check out Franciscan Media's resource at: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/sod-calendar/>

In these unprecedented times **consider being added to the parish email** list if you are not already? This will be used to send email updates about parish happenings, notes from Fr. Brian, and other resources. To be added to the list email Jessica Cole at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

OUTREACH

A title of the last two weekends of November goes to support *Catholic Campaign for Human Development* (CCHD), and in addition, any contributions received in special envelopes will be transmitted in their entirety. In the United States. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign of Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Catholic Charities NH to Host Online Bereavement Support Group

Catholic Charities NH is hosting a new online innovative support group for parishioners across the Diocese who are dealing with grief and loss. "Bereavement – Experiencing Loss, Being Lost and Finding your Way Again" is a (free) six-session program allowing participants to learn about the dynamics of grief, discover new ways to cope while healing and gain the opportunity to be supported and support others also sharing a painful journey. **Sessions will be held every Wednesday at 1 p.m., starting October 28 and running through December 2.** To register, visit [//www.cc-nh.org/bereavement](http://www.cc-nh.org/bereavement). You may also call 603-752-1325 or email efrenette@nh-cc.org.

Family Service Project! Christmas Cards for the Elderly



Each year, the children of our parish, during Faith Formation classes, spend time making Christmas cards for elderly and shut-ins that are delivered as part of our Helping Hands program. The children's cards are so appreciated and a much loved part of the program. This year we need your help! Many folks are more isolated than ever and a handmade card from a child can bring a welcomed surprise or smile to someone in need. Since we are unable to have the children make cards in class, we hope your family can make cards at home and drop them off at church to be used in the gift bags. Please take a little time to spread holiday cheer! You can simply use copy paper folded in half, decorated with a drawing or two. Inside the card could say, "Dear Friend," include a little note, and sign from "Your friend at St. Denis" or first name. No envelopes needed. Cards can be dropped off or mailed to the parish office by Dec. 14th or a basket will be at the side entrance of the Church through the weekend of Dec. 13th. Any questions, please contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.



Welcome to all new families/individuals. We invite you to introduce yourself, register, and become a part of our parish community. Since registration is our only means of certifying parish membership, all parishioners are urged to register.

There are several options:

- Come by the office during business hours .
- Pick up a registration card from the tables in the church entrances and mail it in.
- On-line by logging onto our website (www.saintdenisparish.org), scroll down and click on, "On-line Registration," follow the instructions.

If you registered online and need offertory envelopes please call or e-mail the office at 603-643-2166 or admin.stdenis@gmail.com.

We hope you will favor our parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents, and your financial assistance according to your means.

Parishioners who are changing addresses or phone numbers, etc. within the parish, please notify the parish office or log on to our website (www.saintdenisparish.org), scroll down and click on, "On-line Registration," follow the instructions to create an account. If you are **moving** from the area please contact the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP and FINANCE

Supporting Our Parish Through Electronic Giving

Now you can use your credit card or electronic check to support the mission of Saint Denis. Using electronic giving is easy to do. Go to our website www.saintdenisparish.org and click on the Online Giving button. In a few minutes you can be sure that your gift will work every day of the year to help our parish.

You can now contribute to Saint Denis with a quick text message! Simply send a text to **603-931-3467** with the amount you wish to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$25. Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically!

Offertory Nov 14 & 15	\$5,827.50 total)
All Souls	\$20.00
All Saints	\$20.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$500.00
Helping Hands	\$250.00
Hearts Open to the World	\$90.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to St. Denis! In order for donation records to be complete, make sure that you are registered and that your donation is in an envelope with your full name and the amount on it.

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