



# SAINT DENIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

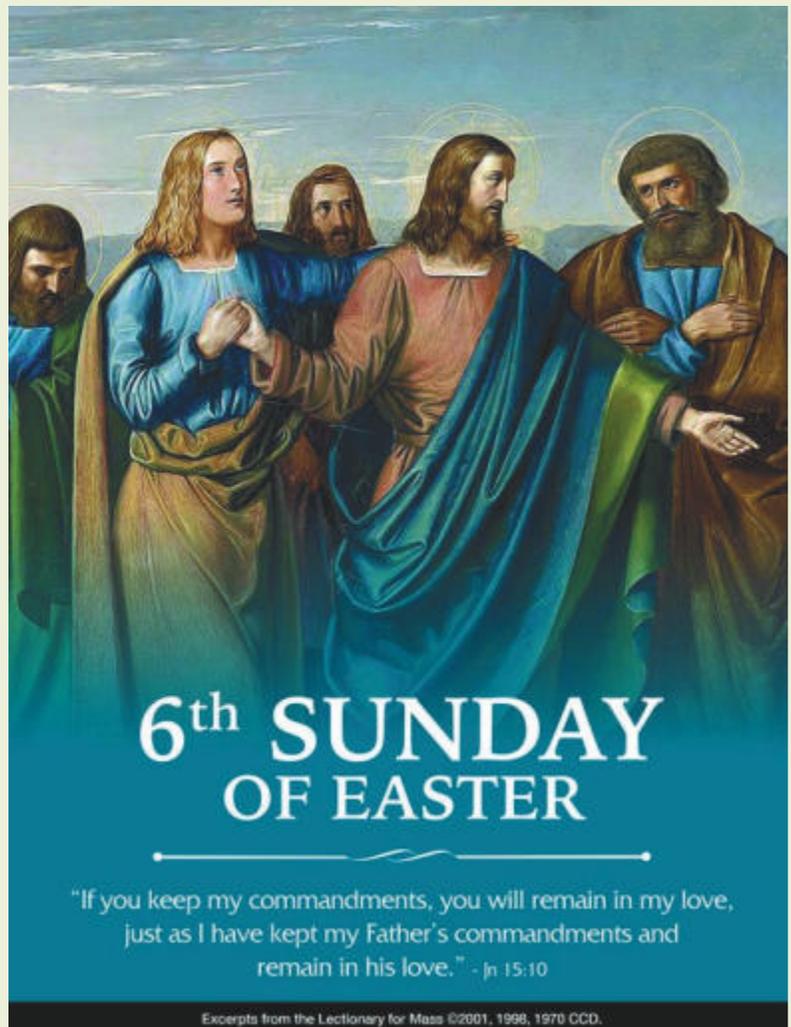
## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

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.

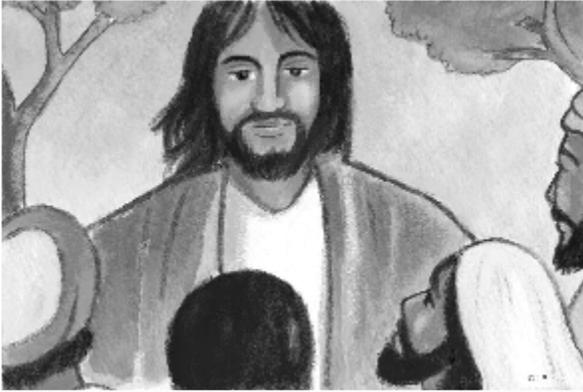
**MARRIAGE:** Engaged couples must contact the parish office at least six months in advance of scheduling a wedding.

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



May 9<sup>th</sup> 2021

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



*“It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another.” — Jn 15:16-17*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 8	5:00 pm – †William and Ann MacDonald
Sun., May 9	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 9:00 am – For the People 11:30 am – †Irene Beaulieu, †Marie Palac, and †Eleanor Swider
Mon., May 10	Easter Weekday 7:30 am – †William H. Barr, Jr.
Tues., May 11	Easter Weekday 7:30 am – Holy Souls
Wed., May 12	Easter Weekday 7:30 am – †John Girard, Sr.
Thurs., May 13	<b>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b> 7:30 am – For the People 12:00 pm – †Fred and Trudy Daley
Fri., May 14	<b>ST. MATTHIAS</b> 7:30 am – †Doris Snyder
Sat., May 15	Easter Weekday 9:00 am – †Charles R. Beaulieu 5:00 pm – †John J. Nasko
Sun., May 16	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 9:00 am – For the People 11:30 am – †Thomas and Eleanor Flynn

*The Mass intention book for 2022 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](mailto: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,

Last year, in my “Pastor’s Corner” for the second Sunday of May, I put together a little tribute to my own mom, Kathleen Lyon Mulcahy. But I realized, this year, that I didn’t know much about the origins of Mother’s Day here in the United States, so here’s a little background.

Did you know that the holiday has its origins in the Civil War here in the United States as both a “peace movement” as well as an effort to teach mothers about basic hygiene and germ-fighting in the home at a time when there were very few, if any, antibiotics and when those wounded in war often succumbed to infections rather than to the injuries themselves?

The first official Mother’s Day celebrated through a **service of worship at St. Andrew’s Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia, on May 10, 1908**, was organized by Anna Jarvis, the daughter of **Ann Jarvis**, who is typically seen as the originator of a day set aside to honor mothers. Popular observances include holiday card and gift giving, churchgoing often accompanied by the distribution of carnations, and family dinners.

During the 19th century, women’s peace groups in the United States tried to establish holidays and regular activities in favor of peace and against war. A common early activity was the meeting of groups of mothers whose sons had fought or died on opposite sides of the American Civil War. In 1868, Ann Jarvis, Anna Jarvis’s mother, organized a committee to establish a “Mother’s Friendship Day”, the purpose of which was “to reunite families that had been divided during the Civil War.” Ann Jarvis, who had previously organized Mother’s Day Work Clubs to improve sanitation and health for both Union and Confederate encampments undergoing a typhoid outbreak, wanted to expand these into an annual memorial for mothers, but she died in 1905 before the annual celebration was established. Her daughter, Anna, would continue her mother’s efforts. There were several limited observances in the 1870s and the 1880s, but none achieved “staying power” beyond the local level.

Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann, then campaigned in 1908 to establish Mother’s Day first as a U.S. national holiday and then later as an international holiday. The holiday was declared officially by the state of West Virginia in 1910, and the rest of the states followed quickly. On May 10, 1913, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution calling on all federal government officials (from the president down) to wear a white carnation the following day in observance of Mother’s Day. On May 8, 1914, the U.S. Congress passed a law designating the second Sunday in May as Mother’s Day and requesting a proclamation. The next day, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation declaring the first national Mother’s Day as a day for American citizens to show the flag in honor of those mothers whose sons had died in war. In 1934, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt approved a stamp commemorating the holiday.

So, there you have it! To all the Moms of our parish: we love you and salute you and thank you for the irreplaceable and indispensable role you play in our lives! None of us would be here if it weren’t for our Moms.

Fr Brian, OP

*Please remember the following people in your prayers:* 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, Max Bryant, Elizabeth Murphy, Jim Horan, Steven Ward, John and Patricia Huss, Annastacia Akiti, Rich Royce, Michael O’Leary, Grace Manna, Fernando Ferraz., Helen Quinn, Sandy Bondis, Carl Fogliano, Patricia Fowler, Jason Aaron, Perry Chase, John Hofmann, Annemarie Kleiber, Denise Carlin, Stephen Horan, Edward Kory, Jennifer Reed, Marie Willis, Dennis & Marcella Logue, Rebecca Logue, John & Margaret Mahoney, Allison Carr, Shannon Munnerly.

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



Faith at Home emails continue to go out each week.

This week we continue our unit on prayer.

Faith for Little Ones May packets will be mailed soon.

There are no Faith Formation Zooms this weekend. Next weekend will be the last classes for 4th/5th/6th grade, Sunday at 10:15am; and Ignite (7th grade and older), Sunday at 10:30am.

For more information on any of these programs, contact Jessica at [faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com).



## ROSARY GROUP

### Women's Rosary Group

Please join us on Friday mornings at 9:00 am for fellowship and to pray the rosary together for all our intentions. We join on Zoom whenever we are able. We usually have six or so on Zoom for the scriptural rosary and are always happy to welcome newcomers!

To sign up, please contact Mitsu Chobanian at [mitsu.chobanian@gmail.com](mailto:mitsu.chobanian@gmail.com)

### Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 9, 2021

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love....I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. Jn 15: 9-14



Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us.

St. Dominic, pray for us.

All are invited to Pray the Rosary following Daily Mass.

Daily Mass Schedule: Mon – Fri 7:30 am; Sat 9 am

We gather in pews facing the Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa. New members are always welcome.

For questions, contact Diane Palac by leaving a message with the St Denis Administrative Office @ 603-643-2166 Or email: [admin.stdenis@gmail.com](mailto:admin.stdenis@gmail.com)

## MOMS' MINISTRY

Moms' Ministry is an informal group of moms of all ages who (virtually) gather weekly on Tuesdays via Zoom from 9:30-10am for prayer and fellowship.

If you would like to join us or be added to our email list, email Jessica at [faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com).

## FAITH AND LITERATURE GROUP

The next regularly scheduled meeting of Faith and Lit will be on **Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 PM by zoom**. We will be reading and discussing selected essays by Marilyn Robinson. If you have any questions or suggestions, or, if you want a PDF of the readings, please contact Sharon Weaver at [sharon.ramey.weaver@gmail.com](mailto:sharon.ramey.weaver@gmail.com).



### *Congratulations to our newly Confirmed and First Communicants*

Alyssa MARY Adams

Hugh PATRICK Abbate

Elizabeth JOAN Anderson

Grace THERESA Bourn

Nicholas NICHOLAS Cole

Melodee MARY Drescher

Valentina MARIA Gomez-Saucedo

Ezra FRANCIS Johns

Eleanor BLANDINE McConnell

Patrick THOMAS O'Dea

Shane VALENTINE Rayes

Augustin (Auggie) ERNEST Reder

Christopher SEBASTIAN Schembri

Daniela ROSE Svindrychova

Julia JOAN Welch

### *Congratulations to our newly Confirmed*

Theodore ALBERT Abbate

Aidan PATRICK Beyer

Hannah FRANCIS Boone

Ava TERESA Rayes

*Special thanks to catechist, Mitsu Chobanian, who faithfully formed and prepared these First Communicants and Confirmandi.*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Readings for the week of May 9, 2021

**Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26; Ps 98; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149; Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138; Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15; Ps 148; Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98; Jn 16:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113; Jn 15:9-17

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47; Jn 16:23b-28

**Next Sunday:** Acts 1:15-17; Ps 103; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19



We joyfully resumed our Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament here at St Denis on Wednesday, April 7th, after more than a year's hiatus. We will also resume First Friday Adoration on the First Friday of May, which goes from 8 AM to 12 Noon. Wednesday Adoration begins at 8:00 am after the morning Mass and concludes after Benediction at 4:50 pm. While all are welcome to stop by for prayer throughout the day, we are in need of some people to commit to half-hour or hour time slots to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is always attended by the faithful in prayer. If you are interested in committing to an hour or half hour of prayer, please contact Mary Durand at [admin.stdenis@gmail.com](mailto:admin.stdenis@gmail.com).



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter / Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://www.wmema.org/>.

Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience (in English) on

**Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24**

**Thursdays/Mondays Jun 3-24**

Para apoyar a las parejas casadas durante este tiempo de distanciamiento social, el Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial está patrocinando experiencias matrimoniales virtuales. Algunas son los fines de semana y otras se presentan los martes y jueves durante 7 sesiones de 7:00PM – 9:30PM en la comodidad de su hogar. Las parejas explorarán sus estilos de personalidad individuales, mejorarán las habilidades de escucha y comunicación, entenderán el plan de Dios para su matrimonio y aprenderán a mantener su relación como una prioridad. El cupo es limitado y se requiere una cuota de solicitud de \$100.00. Para obtener más información o para registrarse, llame a

Felipe y Rosa Ruano Teléfono 203 -979-6109 o [renuevatumatrimonio.org](http://renuevatumatrimonio.org)

Como en el evangelio de hoy, a veces nuestra mente necesita estar abierta para saber lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros y lo que Él quiere para nosotros en nuestro matrimonio. Profundice su comunicación, fortalezca su relación, re-encienda su romance y renueve su sacramento asistiendo a una experiencia del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial en español que se llevará a cabo desde el 18 de mayo hasta al 8 de junio del 2021.

### *Please join Fr. Brian virtually in prayer*

We will continue to live stream all three weekend Masses, as well as our weekday Masses, for anyone who chooses to or who must remain at home at this time. Simply visit [saintdenisparish.org](http://saintdenisparish.org) and click on the box entitled "Live Streaming" to access St Denis Masses from home.

We are now able to record the Masses, and post them on YouTube. When you have clicked on "Live Streaming", listed underneath is: "Watch Mass, or past Masses, on Youtube" Click on that and you will be routed to our YouTube link for the Masses available.

**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

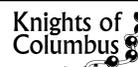
The State of New Hampshire just revised its **COVID-19 guidance for Places of Worship** to remove the 50% capacity restriction that has been in place since last year. The Diocese of Manchester also will be removing its 50% capacity limit. (Here at St Denis, we have capped attendance at about 40% capacity since last year.) Please note, however, that in keeping with the guidance still in place from the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, attendees who are not part of the same immediate household must continue to be seated at least 6 feet apart. So while the overall capacity maximum has been eliminated, the practical reality with 6-foot distancing in place is that attendance capacity still will be far less than 100%. Of course, the other requirements, such as mask wearing, remain in place, and here at St Denis, every other pew will continue to be roped off for the time being.

### Distribution of Holy Communion

For now, we will continue our practice of distributing Holy Communion to the people at both daily and Sunday Masses once Mass is over. At funerals, weddings, and other special occasions, Holy Communion will happen at its normal time during Mass, with Father sanitizing his hands and putting on his protective gear before beginning.

### 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.



**The St. Denis Knights of Columbus** is a fraternal organization dedicated to supporting Catholic charitable activities in the Parish and Diocese. In the last year K of C Council 16697 has raised significant funds to support scholarships for seminarians and local charities as well as assist in physical plant repairs to Parish Properties. Catholic gentlemen who are interested in joining this worthwhile endeavor should contact the Knights at [eabriner@gmail.com](mailto:eabriner@gmail.com).

## OUTREACH



**Catholic  
Communication  
Campaign**  
CONNECT WITH CHRIST

The title for the weekend offertory for the last two weekends in May will support the **Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC)**. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio, and printed media. Fifty percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message. To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

**The Haven** works every day to support people experiencing poverty by providing food, shelter, education, and service coordination. We will continue to support these families and individuals, as well as anyone who may find themselves experiencing economic challenges resulting from the COVID-19 crisis. We have seen an increase in need and expect that to grow. Your financial support will allow us to offer hope and offer a sense of security in people's lives during this challenging time. Donations will be routed to the areas of greatest need within our service areas as the situation evolves, with a focus on being thoughtful with our resources for maximum positive impact on our community. For more information or to make a donation visit [upppervalleyhaven.org](http://upppervalleyhaven.org).



**Would you like to be added to the parish email list?** Text StDenisHanover to 84576 to be added to our Flocknote email list. This will be used to send email updates about parish happenings. You may also email [faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com) to be added. Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & terms at [flocknote.com/txt](http://flocknote.com/txt).



### PHOTO DIRECTORIES

**Parish Pictorial Directory:** There are a limited number of copies of the 2020 St. Denis Parish Photo Directory available in the parish office, for a suggested donation of \$20. If

you are interested in getting a copy, please contact Mary in the office.



**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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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 May 1 & 2	\$6,307.50
Catholic Charities	\$210.00
Hearts Open to the World	\$20.00
Youth Ministry	\$8.00

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