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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

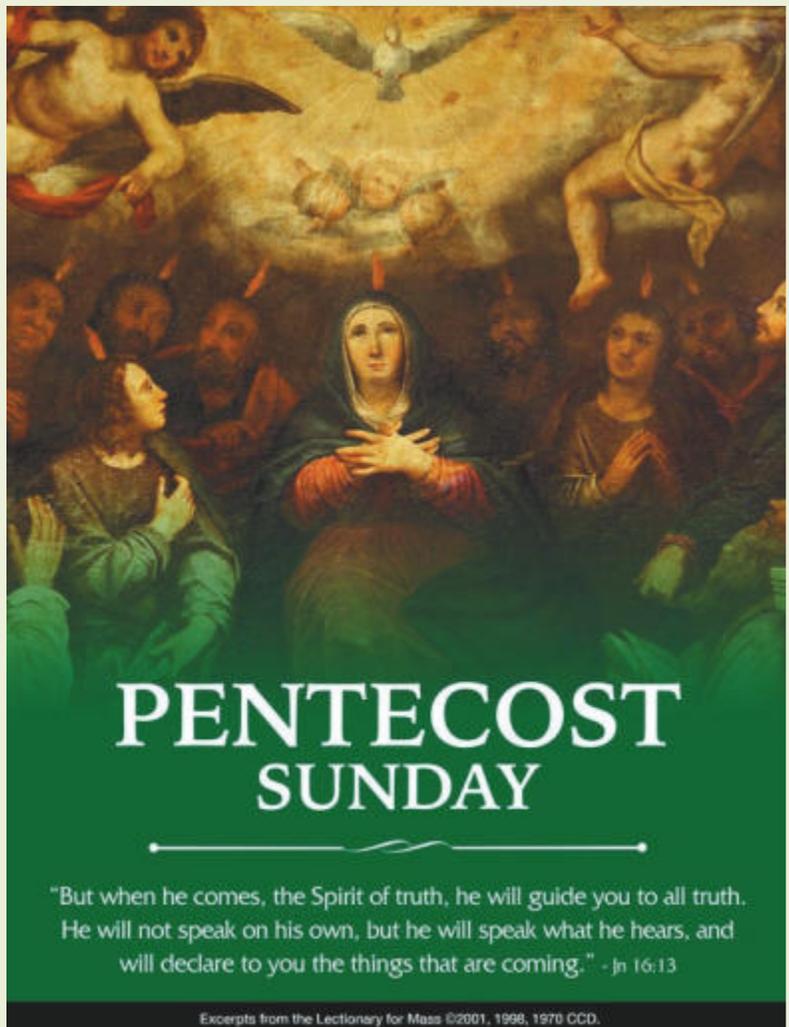
PARISH MEMBERSHIP

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 23rd 2021

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me." — Jn 15:26

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., May 22	5:00 pm – For the People
Sun., May 23	PENTECOST SUNDAY 9:00 am – †John Moorehouse 11:30 am – †Arthur and Margaret Mannix
Mon., May 24	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church 7:30 am †John Moorehouse
Tues., May 25	Weekday 7:30 am – Holy Souls
Wed., May 26	Saint Philip Neri 7:30 am – †Walter A. Graham
Thurs., May 27	Weekday 7:30 am – †Deceased Members of the Locke Family
Fri., May 28	Weekday 7:30 am – Anthony John Abbate
Sat., May 29	Weekday 9:00 am – †Deceased Members of the Larrivee Family 5:00 pm – †Bob Hofmann
Sun., May 30	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 9:00 am – For the People 11:30 am – †Kelley Marie Hofer

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.

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 blessed Solemnity of Pentecost to you all! Today is the birthday of the Church, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and disciples gathered in prayer in Jerusalem, as our Risen Lord had told them to do before He was taken up to heaven in their sight.

Do you know that Pentecost was and is a Jewish festival? From the Greek for **fifty**: **πεντήκοντα**, hence **πεντηκοστή**. The Feast of Pentecost or **Shavuot** in Hebrew has many names in the Bible: **The Feast of Weeks, the Feast of Harvest, and the Latter First-fruits**. Celebrated on the fiftieth day after Passover, Shavuot is traditionally a joyous time of giving thanks and presenting offerings for the new grain of the summer wheat harvest in Israel.

Pentecost was one of the three great Jewish feasts for which many Israelites went on pilgrimage to the Holy City to worship God in the temple. It originated as a harvest thanksgiving, with an offering of first-fruits. Later it was given the additional dimension of commemorating the promulgation of the Law given by God to Moses on Sinai. The Pentecost celebration was held fifty days after the Passover, that is, after seven weeks had passed. The material harvest which the Jews celebrated so joyously became, through God's providence, the symbol of the spiritual harvest which the Apostles began to reap on Pentecost as recorded for us in the second chapter of the *Acts of the Apostles*. And that explains why there were so many people in Jerusalem at that time, from throughout the Jewish diaspora.

Pentecost is not an isolated event in the life of the Church, something over and done with. Here's a beautiful quote from one of St John Paul II's Pentecost homilies: "*We have the right, the duty and the joy to tell you that Pentecost is still happening. We can legitimately speak of the 'lasting value' of Pentecost. We know that fifty days after Easter, the apostles, gathered together in the same Cenacle as had been used for the first Eucharist and from which they had gone out to meet the Risen One for the first time, discover in themselves the power of the Holy Spirit who descended upon them, the strength of Him whom the Lord had promised so often as the outcome of his suffering on the Cross; and strengthened in this way, they began to act, that is, to perform their role. [...] Thus is born the apostolic Church. But even today—and herein the continuity lies—the Basilica of St Peter in Rome and every Temple, every Oratory, every place where the disciples of the Lord gather, is an extension of that original Cenacle*" (Homily, 25 May 1980).

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful!

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, John & Margaret Mahoney, Allison Carr, Shannon Munnerly, Richard Kennedy.

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

FAITH FORMATION

This past Friday we wrapped up our Faith at Home emails for this academic year. Parish wide weekly emails continue to go out and families can continue to find resources there. Any questions, please contact Jessica at faithformation.stdenis@gmail.com.

Pray For...

Please pray for our 2nd graders who participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday, May 22nd. May they and their families always know the mercy and love of God.

Thank you to the catechists who rose to the challenge and creatively and faithfully formed the children of our parish this year:



**Mitsu Chobanian
Kari Cramer
Tyrus House
Anna Hutton
Kathy Snyder
John Weaver
Sharon Weaver**

May God bless them abundantly for their generosity!



Annual Family Rosary
Sunday, May 23rd
At 10:15 am
On the Lawn
All are welcome to join us.

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.

Newly Baptized

Congratulations to the following child who has received the Gift of New Life in Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism: **May 16th, 2021**: Eleanor Maytum, daughter of Mark & Martene Maytum.

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

Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary

Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021



"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."

Galatians 5:22-23

Confraternity Spring Meeting June XX 2021

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR YOUR PREFERRED MTG DATE

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



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 "Reset 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 May 23, 2021

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7; Jn 20:19-23

Monday: Gn 3:9-15; Ps 87; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a; Ps 79; Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33; Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19; Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34; Ps 33; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20



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.



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.mema.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

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 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

Beginning with Pentecost Sunday 2021 (the weekend of May 22/23), Holy Communion will be given to the people at the regular time within Mass. When you get up to receive Holy Communion, be mindful of social distancing from the person or group ahead of you. And after receiving Our Lord in Holy Communion, please return to your place in church by walking all the way around the pews on your side of the church rather than walking back up the main aisle. As we get used to this new procedure over the next few weekends, we might need to make some slight changes logistically to keep the Communion line flowing as smoothly as possible.

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 eabrine@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.

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.

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/>

Would you like to be added to the parish email list?

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.



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), 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 May 15 & 16	\$5,460.50
Ascension of the Lord	\$541.00
Hearts Open to the World	\$150.00
Helping Hands	\$30.00

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