

December 27, 2020 • The Holy Family

Welcome to

# THE COMMUNITY OF

# *Saint Denis*

*Celebrating God's Love  
for All People*

## Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 8:00am, 10:30am and  
12:30pm (Spanish)

Monday through Friday at 8:30am

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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

“Are you coming to the play? Please come!”

A little girl was speaking on the phone to her aunt. Her name was Miriam, she was five years old, and her kindergarten class was putting on a play before Christmas vacation. Her Aunt loved Miriam. She was delighted at the invitation. “I will be there. I wouldn’t miss it.”

The day came for the Christmas pageant. Everybody was there. The shepherds and other cast members were fidgeting on stage. Mary and Joseph were ready to go. Miriam was sitting confidently on a corner of the stage right next to the three kings.

The narrator began the story. The children stirred and began to move. There were angels, shepherds, Wise Men, a cow, a donkey, camels, and even a little drummer boy. Everyone had a part. They were all on the move except Miriam, who was still sitting confidently on the corner of the stage. Her aunt wondered if she did not have a role or even worse, was she so scared she couldn’t do the part she was supposed to do? Suddenly, Miriam jumped up, holding a large silver star. She went to the manger where Jesus was. She began to move the star. She jumped up and down with it. She was trying to get the attention of the three kings. Finally, they saw her beaming smile and completed their journey to the place where Jesus lay.

The play ended and there were refreshments for all. Her aunt hugged Miriam and said “You were great!” Miriam said, “I had the most important part.” “You did?” “Sure. I helped everybody find Jesus.”

This Christmas, be like Miriam. Help people find Jesus. It can be a dark world. Be the light, the star of Bethlehem. Help everybody find Jesus.

Merry Christmas!  
Fr. Ted

**Thank you to all that donated to our liturgical environment fund.** Your gift in memory or in honor of a loved one helped to adorn our church during this Christmas season.



### Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father,  
In the face of confusion and concern  
impart to us the calm of your presence.  
In You allow us to find hope and healing.  
Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your  
caring hands.  
Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of  
wisdom.  
Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your  
comforting heart.  
Wrap your arms around our world  
and hold us in your love.  
Allow us at this time of trial to then  
serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.  
We ask this in Your Name.  
Amen.

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# Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 26, 2020</b> Jerry Magold
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 27, 2020</b> Robert & Casimir Skocz
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 28, 2020</b> Jacob Kutz
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 29, 2020</b> Maria M. Hernandez
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 30, 2020</b> Jim Quinn
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 31, 2020</b> Lyn Corbett Fitzgerald
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 1, 2021</b> Parishioners of St. Denis



## **Those who are ill...**

Gladys Cruz, Elida Diaz, Al Dilger,  
Jesus Paz, Renee Pletsch,  
Socorro Martinez Rodriguez, Guillermo Torres

## **Those who serve our country...**

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

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### **The Holy Family/December 27, 2020**

#### First Reading:

The Lord took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." (Gn 15:5)

Psalm: The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.  
(Ps 105)

#### Second Reading:

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go.  
(Heb 11:8)

#### Gospel:

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. (Lk 2:40)

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