

January 27, 2019 • Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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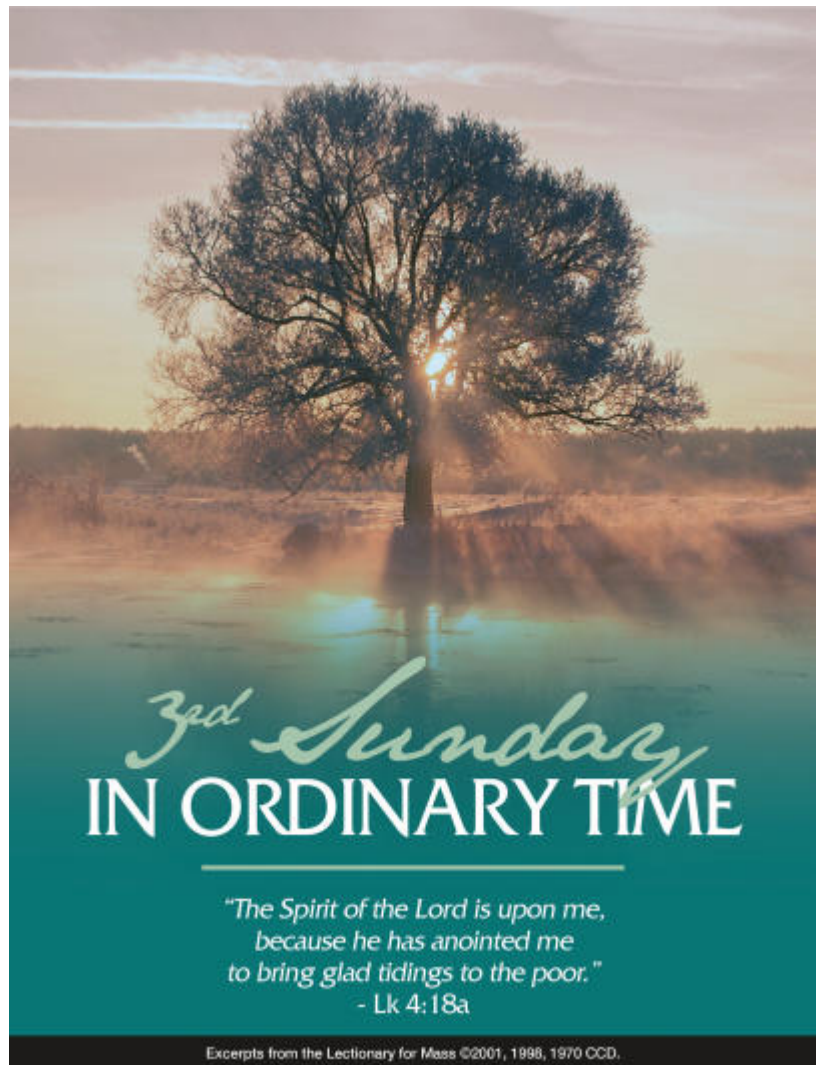
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Our St. Denis Mission Statement

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

One of the central themes of the New Testament letters of St. Paul is the unity of Christian disciples. The next several weeks we will hear excerpts from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. This letter in particular teaches and reminds the reader of the unity of all Christian people. We are one in the Lord.

These letters of St. Paul are among the oldest writings of the New Testament. They all predate the four Gospels. They give us some insight into what it was like to be a Christian in Ephesus, Rome, or Corinth in the days following the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Why do Paul's writings stress the unity of Christians scattered around the Mediterranean world? Paul preaches unity because the Christians are not unified. They quarrel among themselves. They quarrel about who is better, about who is following Jesus more closely.

Paul will have none of it. Sometimes gently, sometimes harshly, he states the message of the unity of Christian people. Paul stresses the unity of Christians because they are more often divided than united. He writes about it often because the Christians are not united.

Now remember, that was the way it was at the beginning of the Church, two thousand years ago. Today are Christians united?

Each January we pray for the unity of Christian people. We do this because the Church believes that we are not one. I don't know if you agree with that but I certainly do. Catholics are separated from other Catholics. Catholics and Protestants are separated from each other. All of us are disciples of Christ or Christians. We are not one.

Today's excerpt from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor 12:12-30) says it better than I can. Listen to it closely. Read it at home during the week. Here's the beginning, "As the

body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ."

As you do so, ask yourself the question, "What do I need to change in order to make His Body one?"

May God bless us all,
Fr. Ted

Music / Hymns

January 26 & 27, 2019

Ent: #309 Gather the People

Prep: #379 God Has Chosen Me

Com: #583 We Are Many Parts

Rec: #591 Praise to You, O Christ,
Our Savior

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday | January 26, 2019 |
| 1:00 p.m. | Memorial Mass for Sr. Nora Brady |
| 4:00 p.m. | Hugh Weller |
| Sunday | January 27, 2019 |
| 8:00 a.m. | Peter Hernandez |
| 10:30 a.m. | Mary Myers |
| 12:30 p.m. | Int. of Familia Torres Moreno |
| Monday | January 28, 2019 |
| 8:30 a.m. | The Homebound |
| Tuesday | January 29, 2019 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Alfred Wittmacher |
| Wednesday | January 30, 2019 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Families affected by violence |
| Thursday | January 31, 2019 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Vincent Hernandez Sr. |
| Friday | February 1, 2019 |
| 8:30 a.m. | Irene Kijak |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VIRTUS VOLUNTEERS January 2019

The Archdiocese has recently transitioned all the background screenings for volunteers that work with children and vulnerable adults from the old system to the VIRTUS System. Every three years, the volunteer's background screening was processed automatically in the eApps System database. The parish incurred any costs and will continue to do so. The background checks will now be rechecked using the VIRTUS System database, using the same three-year schedule.

Those volunteers scheduled for a recheck will receive an email notification from the Virtus System instructing her/him to log -in to their approved and active Virtus account to review, and if necessary, update any information (e.g. name spelling, address, birthdate, email, etc.) Each volunteer should have their name in their legal name (as it appears on their driver's license or legal documents)

The email notification will provide them with a link to the S2Verify site to submit their name-based background check. No social security number is required. The volunteer will be asked to sign off on a new Declaration page, which includes an authorization for a recheck.

Any volunteer that has a dual role (employee of the diocese and volunteer) will continue to be rechecked through the eApps database.

PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS NOTICE AS YOU WILL RECEIVE THE EMAIL WHEN YOU ARE SCHEDULED FOR A RECHECK, WHICH MAY BE IN 2019, 2020, 2021 OR 2022.

Please contact stdenis@archchicago.org, and in the subject line, please type "For Site Administrator" with any questions, or if you need any assistance with this process or if you wish to know the date of your last recheck.

Thank you for your dedication to your ministry, those you minister to, and to the faith community of St. Denis Church. God bless you



Thank you to the catechists and the 7th grade families of our Family Faith Formation Program for providing the treats and hospitality at the last Gathering/Family Mass. We appreciate you sharing your time and treasures.



Those who are ill...

Sylvia Dean, Elida Diaz,
Jacqueline Grzechowiak, Leeann Grzechowiak,
John Klages, Kathy Shaheen

Those who serve our country...

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Stephen Wisinski, Antonio Worthy Jr.



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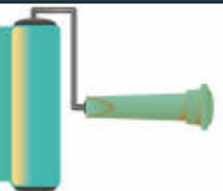
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