## St. Denis Roman Catholic Church

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Denis Parish is to create a warm and welcoming, Christ-centred, Catholic community that answers the call to know, love, and serve God by spreading the Gospel through words and actions.

#### PASTORAL TEAM

#### ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese administrator@stdenischurch.ca

#### SECRETARY & BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Nancy Chmay secretary@stdenischurch.ca

#### **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

Mrs. Susan Lewczynski music@stdenischurch.ca

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday: Closed
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed everyday for lunch: 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Please feel free to drop anything off outside of business hours through the mail slot.

#### **PARISH SCHOOLS**

#### St. Denis Catholic Elementary

Principal: Mr. Kevin Lamb 175 Carlton Street, St. Catharines, ON L2R 1S1 905-682-4156

#### St. James Catholic Elementary

Principal: Mrs. Jacqueline Watson 615 Geneva Street, St. Catharines, ON L2N 2J3 905-934-3112

#### St. Francis Catholic Secondary

Principal: Mr. Jim Whittard 541 Lake Street, St. Catharines, ON L2N 4H7 905-646-2002

#### SACRAMENTAL SERVICES

#### MASSES OF THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

(IN CHURCH)

Tuesday to Friday: 7:15 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:15 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

(IN MEETING ROOM)
Monday to Friday: 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **BAPTISM**

Every Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the priest!

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

(IN MEETING ROOM)
Sunday to Saturday: 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

#### MONTHLY HOLY HOUR

(1<sup>st</sup> Thursday & 1<sup>st</sup> Friday) 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

#### **DEVOTION TO MARY**

(DAILY RECITATION OF THE ROSARY) 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

### Would you like to become a parishioner?

Please call the parish office and/or fill out a census card. Thank you for your continued generosity towards our parish!

## SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021 17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, July 26 – Private Mass

St. Anne & St. Joachim, Parents of the B.V.M. Marek Ignasiak

Tuesday, July 27 – 8:00 a.m. Jeremias Vaz & Family

Wednesday, July 28 – 8:00 a.m. Thomas De Montburn

Thursday, July 29 – 8:00 a.m.

St. Martha, Disciple of the Lord Monica Da Costa

Friday, July 30 - 8:00 a.m.

St. Peter Chrysologus, Doctor of the Church Edward Kolbuc

#### MASSES OF THE LORD'S DAY

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 31 – 4:00 p.m. Joseph & Julien Majka

Sunday, August 1 - 8:00 a.m.

Stephanie Cosgrove | Marek Ignasiak John F. Allen | Sp. Int. Chris Sp. Int. Klara Milijasevic

**Sunday, August 1 – 10:00 a.m.** 

Pro Populo – For the People

Sunday, August 1 – 12:00 p.m. Sp. Int. Bishop Gerard Bergie



### **COLLECTION FOR JULY 18**

 Offertory
 \$ 4,840.00

 E-Transfers
 \$ 73.25

 Total Collection
 \$ 4,913.25

Thank you for your faithful stewardship! ~ Please remember the parish in your will ~

## THE ADMINISTRATOR'S ALLEY

I would like to thank Fr. Paul MacNeil and the staff of Our Lady of the Scapular for putting on such a delightful farewell Mass & standup reception. I also want to thank all the parishioners who were able to come out or to those who sent an email or text of their kind words of farewell. As one chapter comes to an end, I look forward to continuing to write this new chapter here at St. Denis.

As well, I am please to report that I am feeling very refreshed (both physically and spiritually) after my 5-day staycation. Although I did not leave the rectory, the quietness of having the office closed at the same time was truly a blessing. My next time away will be with my brother priests on Wolfe Island from August 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>; more details to follow closer to these dates. I pray that you too will be able to find some rest in the days ahead.

This coming week we celebrate the Feast of St. Anne & St. Joachim, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the maternal grandparents of Jesus. Through them, we are reminded of the importance of the generations around us. Parents and grandparents often share experiences that build family values, cultural identity, and display the abundance of God's love for His children. According to the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium), "The family, is so to speak, the domestic church." We must always strive to build that domestic church through a life of prayer.

Just a few reminders as we return to a more "normal" parish life:

- The rosary is prayed daily (Tuesday to Friday) at 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ Our First Thursday (August 5<sup>th</sup>) & First Friday (August 6<sup>th</sup>) Holy Hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
- ❖ Confessions are heard each day in the meeting room from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Also, we will only be publishing two bulletins for August. These bulletins will be published on: August  $7^{th}$  &  $8^{th}$  and August  $21^{st}$  &  $22^{nd}$ . We will resume weekly publication on the week of: September  $4^{th}$  &  $5^{th}$ . May the Lord continue to bless you abundantly now and always.

Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese

## **SERRA GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The Serra Club of St. Catharines will be holding it 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Cardinal Lakes Golf Club (105 South Pelham Road, Welland). The start time is 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$90.00 per person. What's included: 9 holes of golf with cart (best ball), delicious dinner, and a guaranteed prize. The funds raised from this event will go to support our seminarians and deacons in formation.

If you are interested in sponsoring a hole for \$100.00, please make a cheque payable to Serra Club of St. Catharines and mail it to the treasurer, Mrs. Carmelina Passero at 50 Tanera Crescent, St. Catharines. If you have any questions, please phone Deedee Alexandre at 905-732-4782.

Please consider joining me in this awesome event!

## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Just a reminder that if you are interested in using our new monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Program, please send in your form & void cheque as soon as possible. Our deadline for the August withdrawal is Monday, July 28.

As of today, we have 9 parishioners/families registered, which generates \$1,985.00 per month. Please prayerfully consider this method of monthly stewardship.

## **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION**

Just a reminder, that if you have been contributing by a visitor envelope throughout these months and you would like a tax receipt, please email Nancy (secretary@stdenischurch.ca) with your most up-to-date information; so that we can email/mail them out in the next fiscal year.

### **EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION**

The Branches Team, with permission of His Excellency, pleased to announce their Auto-Eucharistic Procession, Canada Needs God on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The procession will drive throughout our diocese praying for the physical and spiritual protection of both our diocese and our country!

The route will visit the four corners of our diocese; we will stop and pray a full rosary while processing around each of the four pre-selected parishes. Each procession will be led by Father Paul McDonald, who will process the Blessed Sacrament at each of these churches.

Throughout the procession, those who are participating will be displaying "Canada Needs God" window flags and/or magnetic banners. To help with the cost of these items we are asking participants to donate to Branches of the Word. For those who donate, the item(s) will be gifted to you and may then be reused in future processions as well.

Although this is a procession of vehicles, all traffic rules, and speed limits must be followed. All participants will be given the specific route and church addresses involved.

For more information or to register, please email Janine Hendriks at <a href="mailto:janine@go2branches.com">janine@go2branches.com</a>

## **DAILY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

As many of you are aware, each month "The Vineyard Harvesters" produce a calendar to pray for the priests of the diocese. If you would like the monthly calendar in print or by email, please let Nancy know and she can either print you a copy or email you the document.

## **QUEEN OF CLERGY CENACLE**

This is a group of laity and clergy dedicated to praying for an increase in vocations to priesthood and for all priests (and bishops). If you would like to join this virtual prayer group, please email the coordinator at <a href="mailto:cenacle@stdenischurch.ca">cenacle@stdenischurch.ca</a> to be added to the group list. Our next meeting is **Monday**, **July 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** (please log on at 6:55 p.m.). Please consider joining us in praying for our priests and seminarians.



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