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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

PASTOR

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

PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

Fr. Aji Varghese
ajivargheseoic@gmail.com

SECRETARY & BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Nancy Chmay
secretary@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: Mrs. Victoria Wegelin
175 Carlton Street, St. Catharines, ON L2R 1S1
905-682-4156

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY

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

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SECONDARY

Principal: Mr. Tony Della Ventura
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: 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 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!*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

(IN MEETING ROOM)

Sunday to Saturday: 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

MONTHLY HOLY HOUR

(1ST THURSDAY & 1ST 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, OCTOBER 3, 2021

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, October 4 – Private Mass

St. Francis of Assisi

Fr. Stephen has 12:10 p.m. Mass at Cathedral

Tuesday, October 5 – 8:00 a.m.

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, October 6 – 8:00 a.m.

St. Bruno, Priest

Sp. Int. Anthony & Violet Vaz

Thursday, October 7 – 8:00 a.m.

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sp. Int. Anthony Vaz

Friday, October 8 – 8:00 a.m.

Patricia Corey

MASSES OF THE LORD'S DAY

SOLEMNITY OF ST. DENIS & COMPANIONS

Saturday, October 9 – 4:00 p.m.

Jack & Josie Morrison | Jessie Kozachenko

Josephine Boyle | Sp. Int. Bishop Gerard Bergie

Sunday, October 10 – 8:00 a.m.

Mary Bruin | Stephanie Cosgrove | Marek Ignasiak

Fidel M. Pangan | Virginia Gamboa Perez

Sunday, October 10 – 10:00 a.m.

Pro Populo – For the People

Sunday, October 10 – 12:00 p.m.

Sp. Int. Deacon Daniel Corso



COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER 26

Offertory	\$ 3,854.50
E-Transfers	\$ 25.00
Total Collection	\$ 3,879.50

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

~ Please remember the parish in your will ~

THE PASTOR'S PORTICO

Today (Sunday, October 3rd), the Niagara Right to Life is hosting its annual Life Chain here at St. Denis (Lake/Carlton) from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration will take place at 2:15 p.m. and you will be given a sign. Please join me in silently witnessing and praying for the sanctity of all human life (born and unborn) in our country of Canada.

Just a reminder that next weekend of October 9th & 10th, we will be celebrating the Titular Feast of our parish. This means that instead of celebrating the Mass of the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we will celebrate the Mass of St. Denis all weekend. As I mentioned last week, we will be welcoming Deacon Daniel Corso who will be assisting and preaching at all the Masses.

Thank you to everyone who has picked up their 2022 parish envelopes. They will continue to be available after this weekend, but only in the parish office. If you know someone who is unable to pick up their envelopes and you would like to deliver them, that would be of great help to the parish. As mentioned at Mass, the reason we are distributing so early this year is that if we experience further restrictions, we won't be scrambling like last year. Thank you again for your commitment to parish life here at St. Denis and truly making our parish "A Centre of Excellence".

Thank you to all our new lectors (and old) who have assisted at Holy Mass in proclaiming the scriptures. We now have quite a healthy rotation, so it does not put the onus on one person at each Mass.

Thank you also to our *Knights of the Altar* (*altar boys*) who have so diligently and consistently served at Holy Mass. If any young men (7 years & up) are interested in serving, please let me know. A small training session is required prior to serving.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to the bake-less bake sale. **To date we have managed to raise: \$7,340.00.** In a special way I would like to thank Nancy for suggesting to do this rather simple and easy fundraiser to help with our debt. At this point, I think it is safe to say that it was a successful fundraiser which went directly to paying off some of our remaining debt. I am looking forward to the day, not that far in the future, when we will be able to say we are debt free!

Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese

2022 PARISH ENVELOPES

We now have the 2022 parish envelopes available for pick at the parish office. If you know someone who is unable to pick up their envelopes and you would like to deliver them, that would be of great help to the parish. Thank you again for your commitment to parish life here at St. Denis.

Please note: Some parishioners may be assigned a new lower number, as we continue to clean up our database. No need to panic, your number will remain the same until the new liturgical year (Advent).

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 November withdrawal is Wednesday, October 27th.

As of today, we have 12 parishioners/families registered, which generates \$2,205.00 per month. Please prayerfully consider this method of monthly stewardship.

COAST TO COAST ROSARY

Please join the world in prayer, for world peace, by praying the Rosary Coast to Coast on Sunday, October 10th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. EST. For more information visit www.rosarycoasttocoast.ca.

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.

CHAPEL VEILS

There are still 31 beautifully crafted chapel veils available for purchase at the parish office. The cost is \$25.00 each. All proceeds will support the new Marian grotto.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be taking place at the Cathedral Church. For more information and to register please call the Cathedral at 905-684-3964.

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 cenacle@stdenischurch.ca to be added to the group list. Our next meeting is **Monday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m.** (please log on at 6:55 p.m.). Please consider joining us in praying for our priests and seminarians.

HEALING HOLY HOUR

Please join Fr. Aji and the people of Our Lady of the Scapular for a time of Healing Holy Hour on Friday, November 5th at 7:00 p.m. During the Holy Hour there will be praise and worship, as well as prayers for healing and deliverance. This event will take place on all future First Fridays at Our Lady of the Scapular (6557 Thorold Stone Road, Niagara Falls ON L2J 1B2).

SEPARATED & DIVORCED

Are you recently separated and/or divorced? Are you looking for support? The Diocesan Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second and fourth Monday of the month (except holidays) from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre (7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls ON L2G 7B7). For more information or to register please call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154 (pre-registration is required).

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Are you interested in offering Holy Mass each day during the month of November for your deceased loved ones? As previously mentioned, every Holy Mass celebrated in the month of November will be for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory; especially those listed in our book of remembrance.

While there is no "fee" to offer a Mass intention, the suggested offering is \$10.00. A Mass intention is typically one name (or couple, if married); or the family name (i.e.: Deceased of the Bruzzese Family). Please be kind and conscientious of this as you submit your requests and remember the immeasurable gift you are offering for your loved ones.

Please PRINT names clearly and legibly. Please return your envelope either in the collection basket or through the mail slot at the parish office. The deadline to submit your requests will be Friday, October 29th.

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