

# 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

#### PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese  
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#### PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

Rev. Fr. Aji Varghese  
ajivargheseoic@gmail.com

#### SECRETARY & BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Nancy Chmay  
secretary@stdenischurch.ca

#### DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION

Mr. Ryan Hermack  
evangelization@stdenischurch.ca

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### 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.

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### 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.

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#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.

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#### CONFESSIONS

(IN CHURCH)

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

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#### CONFESSIONS

(IN MEETING ROOM)

Monday to Friday: 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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#### BAPTISM

Every Sunday at 1:30 p.m.  
*Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the priest!*

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#### WEDDINGS

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

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#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

(IN MEETING ROOM)

Sunday to Saturday: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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#### MONTHLY HOLY HOUR

(1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY & 1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY)

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

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#### DEVOTION TO MARY

(DAILY RECITATION OF THE ROSARY)

7:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

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**Would you like to become a parishioner?**

Please call or email the parish office.

**Thank you for your continued generosity towards our parish!**

# SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022

## THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

### MASS INTENTIONS

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#### WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday, June 20 – Private Mass**

Sp. Int. Renata Miketic

**Tuesday, June 21 – 8:00 a.m.**

*St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious*  
Deceased of the Vaz Family

**Wednesday, June 22 – 8:00 a.m.**

*St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More, Martyrs*  
Sp. Int. Adelaine Nohara

**Thursday, June 23 – 8:00 a.m.**

*The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*  
Joe Vinci

**Friday, June 24 – 8:00 a.m.**

*The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
Mary Bruin

#### MASSES OF THE LORD'S DAY

##### THE SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

**Saturday, June 25 – 4:00 p.m.**

Jo DiMaurizio | Ian & Yvonne Vickers  
Sp. Int. Marcie Bastings

Sp. Int. Owen John Lamando | Sp. Int. Viola Machel

**Sunday, June 26 – 8:00 a.m.**

Stephanie Cosgrove | Mate Simatovic  
Sp. Int. Rene & Tessie Aoanan

Sp. Int. Samuel Castillo | Sp. Int. In Thanksgiving

**Sunday, June 26 – 10:00 a.m.**

Pro Populo – For the People

**Sunday, June 26 – 12:00 p.m.**

Sp. Int. Ethan Traynor

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#### COLLECTION FOR JUNE 12

Offertory	\$ 4,033.00
CanadaHelps	\$ 173.70
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 4,206.70</b>

**Thank you for your faithful stewardship!**

~ Please remember the parish in your will ~

### THE PASTOR'S PORTICO

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, traditionally know as *Corpus Christi*. Today, we are reminded of what makes us different from every other Christian community in the world; that *"In the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, 'the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained.'"* As Catholics, we believe that the same Risen Christ who reigns in Heaven at the right hand of the Father, dwells in every tabernacle of the world. The greatest problem we face during these days is that only 30% of Catholics believe in the doctrine of transubstantiation and the real presence of our Eucharistic Lord. However, by restoring the way we act towards and speak about the Eucharist, I truly believe we will see an increase in the percentage of Catholics who believe in the *Real Presence of Christ*. By carrying on the work of my predecessors, it is my goal that everything we do in the parish will be *"intensely Eucharistic"* to echo St. John Paul II in the Great Jubilee of 2000. As we continue to live out the mission of our parish, we won't be able to help but see the fruits of our intensely Eucharistic love to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Today we also celebrate Father's Day. As Catholic Christians, we have the great gift which is Fatherhood. For the last 32 years I have been a son & just over 5 years ago I became a father. I have been blessed with an excellent example of how to love, how to be patient, how to be merciful, how to pray, and how to follow the Good Shepherd; this of course was modeled by my own father, who models his life on that of God the Father. What I appreciate most was his commitment and willingness to never be my friend, but to always be my father; like St. Joseph was to Jesus. I know for many Father's Day is not always a celebration; especially if you have recently lost your father or perhaps the relationship you share with him is strained. However, we always must remember that we have God the Father who loves us beyond all telling. God made us for Himself; He made us for heaven! By God's mercy and power, by His fatherhood, He has promised us incredible and unimaginable things.

**Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese**

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

During the month of June, I am asking all of our parishioners to have an increased devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to make reparations for our sins and those of the whole world. Some practical devotions:

- Make a regular Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Read the Gospel for the Mass each day.
- Enthroned an image of the Sacred Heart in your home and consecrate your family to the Sacred Heart.
- Recite the Litany of the Sacred Heart daily.

If these seem all too daunting, simply say each day, *“Jesus meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine.”*

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## WINE TASTING & ART EXHIBIT

Do you like wine? Do you like art? Then this is the event for you. St. Denis is excited to be partnering with Colaneri Estates Winery to feature an art exhibit of Ms. Adelaine Nohara’s art from *Eyes of the Heart Studio*. The date has been determined and will be Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$50.00 per person and that will include a seated guided tasting through 4 wines (sparkling, white, 2 reds) and some delicious cheeses. In addition, everyone will be entered into a draw for the chance to win a framed print of your choice (approximate value: \$300.00). After the wine tasting, Adelaine will speak to us about her story and her artwork. During the evening you will be able to view her artwork placed throughout the retail store. ***Tickets are now on sale at the parish office. All ticket sales are final, no refunds will be issued.***

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## HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Are you interested in serving the parish by becoming a member of our hospitality team? Then this is the ministry for you! To sign up, please email Yolanda Hermack at [hospitality@stdenischurch.ca](mailto:hospitality@stdenischurch.ca).

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## WANTED: HOUSEKEEPER

Now that the pandemic has come to end and things have returned to normal, my days are becoming more and more filled. As a result, I am looking for a volunteer who would like to assist in keeping the office and rectory in tip-top shape. This would be once a week, for a couple of hours. If you are interested in helping out, please let me know by email at [pastor@stdenischurch.ca](mailto:pastor@stdenischurch.ca).

## PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Are you interested in using our new monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Program? Our deadline for the July withdrawal is Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. As of today, we have 17 parishioners/families registered, which generates \$2,665.00 per month. ***This truly is easiest way to give; you set it up once and you never have to worry about your weekly offering again!***

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## QUEEN OF CLERGY CENACLE

This is a group of laity and clergy dedicated to praying for an increase in vocations to priesthood and for the clergy. To be added to the group please email [cenacle@stdenischurch.ca](mailto:cenacle@stdenischurch.ca). Next meeting: **Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

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## HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Our next social will be on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. To sign up, please contact Ryan, our Director of Evangelization, at [evangelization@stdenischurch.ca](mailto:evangelization@stdenischurch.ca)

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Our next available single Mass intention is: Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Our next available multiple Mass intention is: Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

I am very excited to announce that I, along with Fr. Stuart MacDonald, will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from February 12<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The cost is \$4,550.00 CAD per person (based on double occupancy). Single and want to still come? No problem, we will try to pair you with a roommate or you can pay the single supplement of \$1,190.00.

We invite you on a spiritual journey that is sure to be one of the most unforgettable experiences of your life. Imagine yourself in Galilee at the same site where Jesus taught and performed his miracles, or renewing your baptismal promise in the Jordan River, or walking through the streets of Jerusalem on the same Way of the Cross as Jesus did on his way to Calvary. It is an experience that will enrich your faith and change your life. Come and see for yourself, you will never be the same.

For more information or a copy of the itinerary, please email me at [pastor@stdenischurch.ca](mailto:pastor@stdenischurch.ca).



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