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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

Very Rev. Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese, V.F.
pastor@stdenischurch.ca

PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

Rev. Fr. Aji Varghese
ajivargheseoic@gmail.com

SECRETARY & BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Nancy Chmay
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DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION

Mr. Ryan Hermack
evangelization@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.

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: Mr. Ken Lococo
615 Geneva Street, St. Catharines, ON L2N 2J3
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ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SECONDARY

Principal: Mrs. Krista Moscato
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.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.

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. & 9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

(IN MEETING ROOM)

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

BAPTISM

Every Sunday at 11:30 a.m.
Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the priest!

WEDDINGS

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 8:00 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)

30 minutes before all Masses

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 25, 2023

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, June 26 – Private Mass

Stephanie Cosgrove

Tuesday, June 27 – 8:00 a.m.

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Doctor of the Church

Sp. Int. Renata & Garrin Bush

Wednesday, June 28 – 8:00 a.m.

St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr

Thomas DeMontbrun

Thursday, June 29 – 8:00 a.m.

Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

Anna Rocco

Friday, June 30 – 8:00 a.m.

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Anna Rocco

MASSES OF THE LORD'S DAY

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 1 – 4:00 p.m.

Adelaida Alanis | Helena Cholawski

Sp. Int. Irena & Family | Sp. Int. Marc Arsenault

Sunday, July 2 – 8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo – For the People

Sunday, July 2 – 10:00 a.m.

Joseph Saranchuk | Frank Grechel | Teriang Olaya

James & Marion McManamy

Sp. Int. Loeffen Children & Grandchildren



COLLECTION FOR JUNE 18

Offertory	\$ 2,625.00
E-Transfers & CanadaHelps	\$ 35.00
Total Collection	\$ 2,660.00

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

~ Please remember the parish in your will ~

THE PASTOR'S PORTICO

It is hard to believe that this coming week, many of our students and teachers will be beginning their summer holidays; this is usually an indicator that things will generally be quieter around the parish as well, with families heading off to cottage or on various excursions. Nevertheless, we must not forget that we still have the obligation to attend Holy Mass on the Lord's Day (or the vigil), wherever we may be. And please remember that even though you might be away, your weekly stewardship is necessary to keep the parish running throughout the summer months.

With this quieter time in mind, we will also be moving to a bi-weekly bulletin starting next weekend until August 27th, when we will return to a weekly bulletin. If you are currently reading this bulletin and have access to email, I would like to encourage you to consider signing up for our digital bulletin, which is sent out each Friday. The more individuals we have signed up for this free service, the more we can reduce cost and waste. To be added to the mailing list, please send Nancy an email.

As well, I want to take this opportunity to thank Ryan Hermack, our Director of Evangelization, for all his efforts over this past year; from starting our high school ministry, assisting with Confirmation preparation, assisting with our catechetical programs: *Eternal Rest, and Presence*, for organizing and leading our many social events, like movie night, board game night, karaoke night, etc. As Ryan prepares to enter the seminary at the end of August, we begin a period of transition. The Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (who you may see from time to time at Mass) will be taking over some of these responsibilities, and for this I am eternally grateful. However, this will not begin until we return in September. As such, all programs will be on hold during July & August; this also includes our regular Sunday Coffee Social after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. This will allow our wonderful hospitality team to take a well-deserved break. We will begin Coffee Social again on Sunday, September 3rd.

Also, as we continue into summer, a reminder that both Nancy, and I, will be taking some vacation time. As such, the office may be closed sporadically, however I will try my best to provide advance notice.

Fr. Stephen Joseph Bruzzese

PRAYER OF REPARATION

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

- Approach the kneeler when available and either stand or kneel.
- When the priest approaches, a bow of the head is made.
- When the priest says, "*The Body of Christ*", you respond "*Amen*".
- Then place your tongue or hands in an appropriate position.

Note: If you are receiving Holy Communion in the hand, place Jesus immediately into your mouth, prior to moving away from the kneeler.

- Once you have received Holy Communion, you are to return to your pew and make an act of thanksgiving.
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PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Are you interested in using our monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Program? Our deadline for the July withdrawal is Wednesday, June 28th. As of today, we have 26 parishioners/families registered, which generates \$3,235.00 per month. This truly is easiest way to give to the parish. Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

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. The next meeting is Monday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Our next available single Mass intention is: Tuesday, December 12th. Our next available multiple Mass intention is: Saturday, August 5th. Remember, you are welcome to book up to 1 year in advance, please get your dates soon, as to not be disappointed.

AQUINAS MEN'S GROUP

Gentlemen, are you on the fence about joining this amazing men's group? Need not fear! There is no longer a set program, but rather just a weekly discussion which takes place every Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the small meeting room. Each session is approximately 1 hour, with a 20-minute video presented by world leading Aquinas scholars and then a 30-minute open discussion on the topic. Everyone is welcome to bring their own coffee. If you are interested in joining the mailing list, please contact Alex McKee at alex@alexmckee.com.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing, on Saturday, July 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. For location and more information, please contact The Sisters of Life at 416-463-2722.

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 get you a copy.

Daily Prayer for Priests

Lord Jesus Christ, You love Your church and those called to share Your priesthood! With our love and prayers, we join You in asking our Heavenly Father to continue to pour out His gifts of holiness, compassion, and ardent zeal on your priests everywhere. Inspire each of them to offer his life as an "*Ambassador of Christ*", bringing reconciliation and healing to the world. Mary, Mother of all Priests, inspire us to live in peace and joy and pray this prayer with us. Amen.

KNIGHTS OF THE ALTAR

Fr. Stephen is still looking for some young men who feel called to serve at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Saturday 4:00 p.m. & Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.). If you are interested, let me know!

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