

January 16th, 2022 | The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | 858 (C)

# Saint Denis Parish

85 Main Street / Ashburnham, Massachusetts 01430

## The First Miracle

JOHN 2:1-11



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### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

### DAILY MASSES

Monday–Wednesday  
9:00 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 pm  
or by appointment  
Meet in church

### OFFICE HOURS

Closed due to COVID-19  
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Visitation of the sick & elderly  
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<https://saintdenisashburnham.org/cemetery>

## Next Week: January 23rd, 2022 | The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time


Readings: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, 1 Cor 12:12-30, Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



THE DIOCESAN DISPATCH

A weekly bulletin to keep parishes informed of news and events.

Sat	1/15	10:00 am	
Sun	1/16	8:00 am	For the Parishioners of St Denis
		10:00 am	
Mon	1/17	9:00 am	
Tues	1/18	9:00 am	
Wed	1/19	9:00 am	
Sat	1/22	4:30 pm	For the Parishioners of St Denis
Sun	1/23	8:00 am	Diane Lynn Dufault By Family
		10:00 am	Diane Lynn Dufault By Family



Join us for Prayer/Bible Study. Thursdays at 7:30 PM in Fr Lacy Hall. We are live again! This group is designed to deepen your faith, share your experiences, and help us understand and use the greatest tool ever written, the bible.

### Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group

Women meet at the home of Kim Brown for the enhancement of their spiritual lives. To join call: Kim at: 978-827-4892 for info.



### Worcester's Men's Conference Schedule is Set

Co-chairmen Msgr. Thomas J. Sullivan and Angelo Guadagno have announced the speaking program for the 21st annual conference, which is scheduled for Saturday, April 2, at Assumption University.

- Patrick J. Castle's — Pro Life Talk
- Tim Francis — Return to Catholicism
- Kevin O'Brien — Making a Difference
- Dan Egan — Power of Purpose
- Father Anthony Hamaty — Power of Confession

Keep an eye out for future notices concerning the Men's Conference and check the diocese website often.

### Confessions

We offer confession in the Church Saturdays from 3:30 pm till 4:00 pm. Please come in and go to the



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"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 CORINTHIANS 12:7) St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

Brothers and sisters:

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

*To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom;  
to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit;  
to another, faith by the same Spirit;  
to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit;  
to another, mighty deeds;  
to another, prophecy;  
to another, discernment of spirits;  
to another, varieties of tongues;  
to another, interpretation of tongues.*

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

# Events | Notices | Calendars | Offertory Update

The Westminster/Ashburnham Knights of Columbus Council is pleased to announce three Scholarships for the upcoming year! Two \$1,000 college scholarships, one for St Edward and one for St Denis. Plus, one, \$500 parochial high school scholarship. Scholarships are open to all high school and college grade levels. Application season begins Feb 1st! Applications are due NLT April 1, 2022. Applications are available at the back of the church or email Paul at [affordableproperties.paul@gmail.com](mailto:affordableproperties.paul@gmail.com) for an copy (pdf).



## Online Giving Instructions

Online giving is easier than you think. All you need is a computer or phone and a credit card or even direct bank transfer. You can do a one-time payment or set up weekly or monthly payments. If you are not sure, try a one-time payment to check it out. Our site is fully secured and private.

- 1) Go to: [www.stdenisashburnham.com](http://www.stdenisashburnham.com)
- 2) Choose "Online Giving" from the top bar.
- 3) Click "Offertory"
- 4) "Chose A Fund" (i.e. Sunday Mass Offertory)
- 5) "Sub Funds" may also be available.
- 6) Add amount and check the checkbox to make it a recurring payment.
- 7) Follow the prompts to edit payment data
- 8) Click "Submit"

Online giving will instruct you on how to enter payment and set up an account if you choose to. By setting up an account, you can change your giving at any time, check how much you have given, provide a steady income for your church even when you are away on vacation or worse a pandemic strikes that disrupt all business. No bounced check fees, and if you give a small amount every week you do not even notice it. A credit card can also be used which provides protection from fraud.

Simone Blanche	Eugene Jon	Jake Thibeault
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Veena Gobudhun	Mark Tisdale	Thomas Reinmann
Jack Billy Susan	Nashaw Davis	Kathryn Reinmann
Fabien	Baptiste Lafferrerie	Robert Cormier
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Temiko Holmes	Maria do Rosario	
Sabrina Guyton	Joseph Ruth III	
Ivy Townsend	Bruce Parent	
Eddie White	Michelle Nevala	
	Liam Howard	

*For Our Sick ...*

### January

Sat 1/15	3:30 pm	Reconciliation (In Church)
	4:30 pm	Saturday Mass
Sun 1/16	8:00 am	Sunday Mass
	10:00 am	Sunday Mass
Mon 1/17	9:00 am	Daily Mass
Tue 1/18	9:00 am	Daily Mass
Wed 1/19	9:00 am	Daily Mass
	9:30 am	Ladies Spiritual Enrichment Group (In Home call 978-827-4892)
Thur 1/20	7:30 pm	Kerygma Bible Study (Online Only)
		<u>Zoom Bible Study</u> Meeting ID: 933 6160 6580 Passcode: BibleStudy
Sat 1/22	3:30 pm	Reconciliation (In Church)
	4:30 pm	Saturday Mass
Sun 1/23	8:00 am	Sunday Mass
	10:00 am	Sunday Mass



## Schedule for January

*Due to Covid-19 this schedule may change due to infection risks. Please watch e-mails for changes.*

Tuesday Jan 18th Pre-K Atrium 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM  
 Tuesday Jan 18th Grade 2 & 3 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM  
 Wednesday Jan 19th Grades K & 1 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM  
 Sunday Jan 23rd Confirmation Prep 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
 Monday Jan 24th Grade 6-8th 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM  
 Tuesday Jan 25th Pre-K Atrium 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM  
 Tuesday Jan 25th Grade 2 & 3 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM  
 Wednesday Jan 26th Grades K & 1 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM  
 Sunday Jan 30th Grade 10 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

## Parish Weekly Financials

<b>Since 1/9/22</b>		
Regular Envelopes	\$	992.00
Parish Needs	\$	16.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	10.00
Christmas Offering	\$	20.00
Mass Intentions	\$	0.00
Fuel & Maintenance	\$	10.00
Other	\$	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,048.00</b>
<b>Online Giving:</b>		
Sunday Offertory	\$	400.00
Fuel & Maint.	\$	0.00
Parish Project	\$	0.00
Mass Intentions	\$	0.00
<b>Online Giving Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Parish Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Cemetery Donation:</b>		
Cemetery Online	\$	30.00
Cemetery Env.	\$	6.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>36.00</b>
<b>Diocese Collection:</b>		
Catholic University	\$	0.00

**Thank you for your generous support of the parish. Your weekly financial support enables Saint Denis to provide for the community.**



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January 2022

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

January 22, 2022 marks the 49<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision which, with its companion case *Doe v. Bolton*, legalized abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy in every state in the nation. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (n. 373), designates **Saturday, January 22** as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”. All the faithful in dioceses throughout the United States of America are called to observe this day in a spirit of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for the violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

Forty-nine years of legalized abortion in this country has left an incomprehensible aftermath. With over 63 million lives lost, and countless women and men, mothers and fathers, grandparents, siblings, and friends who have been deeply wounded physically, emotionally, and spiritually by this tragedy, we need now more than ever to re-commit ourselves to defending life. I encourage our diocesan parishes and institutions, and all the faithful, to observe reverently the **Day of Prayer and Penance on January 22<sup>nd</sup>** both personally and within your communities. Fervent prayer is especially needed in light of the possible overturning of *Roe v. Wade* in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health* case currently before the U.S. Supreme Court. At stake is a Mississippi law banning abortions after 15 weeks. The Supreme Court is expected to issue its ruling in June. (More information about this landmark case can be found at [prayfordobbs.com](http://prayfordobbs.com).) Let us unite our hearts and minds through special acts of prayer, fasting, and sacrifice on this day and in the months to come, to uphold the inherent dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.

As we reflect on this unspeakable tragedy, we also recall how the Church for many years has continued to reach out to those who have been so sadly affected by the culture of death, particularly through ministries providing aid to women and families in crisis pregnancies, offering the healing love and mercy of Christ to those wounded by abortion through the ministry of Project Rachel, and by continuing to teach and preach the truth and beauty about love and life that bring authentic freedom and happiness. It is through our prayers, charitable works, and loving sacrifices that the culture can be transformed.

Let us take this opportunity of the January 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of Prayer and Penance to renew our resolve to live and proclaim the Gospel of Life. May we respond generously to the challenge Saint Pope John Paul II put forth in *Evangelium vitae*: “A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. May an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and Lover of life, from the heart of every believer.” Our active participation in the shared commitment to the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person will, with God’s grace, truly work toward the building up of a Culture of Life and a Civilization of Love.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester

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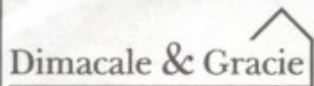
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