



# St. Denis & St. Lawrence

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## SAINT DENIS PARISH

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	30	Adoration 7-9pm
Wed.	1- 8am	Louis & Anna Glastetter Family
Thurs.	2- 8am	Collin Crockett
Fri.	3- 8am	Eugene Fodge
Sat.	4-8am	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sun.	5-7am	Clara LeGrand
Sun.	5-10am	St. Denis Parish Family

#### LITURGICAL ROLES

Sunday October 5, 7:00am

<b>Lector:</b>	Anthony Scherer
<b>EM:</b>	Carla Robert
<b>Servers:</b>	Payton & Rylan Simmons
<b>Servers</b>	Eli Eftink
<b>Greet \ Gifts:</b>	Mary Ann Robert, Bev Riley

Sunday October 5, 10:00am

<b>Lector:</b>	Rhonda Ratledge
<b>EM:</b>	Gera LeGrand
<b>Servers:</b>	Brailey Ratledge, Tennyson
<b>Servers</b>	White, Nora & Jonah Hann
<b>Greet \ Gifts:</b>	Chance & Amy White

### Parish Stewardship

The Week of September 21, 2025

<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$3,905.00
<b>Loose:</b>	\$272.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$4,177.00
<b>Weekly Est .Budget</b>	\$5,009.00
<b>Difference:</b>	\$-832.00

#### COMMITTEES AND MISCELLANEOUS ASSIGNMENTS

##### ST. DENIS PARISH

Church Cleaning for Friday, October 3: Georgia Ross,  
Elaine Proctor, Donna Thompson

Church Decorating Committee for the month of  
October: Jenny Pinkston

Flowerbed Committee Schedule: Week of  
September 28 & October 5: Jim & Mary Simmons

##### ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

Friday, October 3, Church Cleaning  
Chairman: David & Laura Westrich  
Catherine Wilder, James & Kari Wilhelm,  
Kyle & Nicole Wilson

## SAINT LAWRENCE PARISH

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	30- 6pm	Ralph Klipfel
Wed.	1-7am	Melvin Glastetter
Thurs.	2-7am	Earl & Henrietta Dirnberger
Fri.	3-7am	Margaret Klipfel
Sat.	4-4pm	Leonard Kluesner
Sun.	5-8:30am	Parish Family

#### LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday October 4, 4:00pm

<b>Lector \ EM:</b>	Shannon Schumer
<b>Musician:</b>	Cheryl Kern
<b>Cantor:</b>	Kari Bickings
<b>Gifts:</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Dirnberger
<b>Servers:</b>	Rocky Burger, Luke & Drew Benson
<b>Ushers:</b>	Kevin Curry, Kyle Curry, Jim Dennis, Lenard Dirnberger

Sunday October 5, 8:30am

<b>Lector \ EM:</b>	Gary Reischman
<b>Musician:</b>	Cheryl Kern
<b>Cantor:</b>	Jamie Essner
<b>Gifts:</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Dirnberger
<b>Servers:</b>	Wyatt Farrow, Isabel Crook, Tyler Morgan, Colin Felter
<b>Ushers:</b>	Kendal Deason, Terry Deason, Dirk Dirnberger, Shannon Cureton

### Parish Stewardship

The Week of September 21, 2025

<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$2,010.00
<b>Loose:</b>	\$237.00
<b>Online:</b>	\$200.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$2,447.00

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

## ST. DENIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ST. DENIS SCHOOL BREAKFAST

**THIS SUNDAY, SEPT. 28**

**SERVING 7-11:30 AM**

**GOOD WILL DONATION**



# ST. DENIS

**PRE-K BAKE SALE**

**GOOD WILL DONATIONS FOR  
PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENT**



**St. Denis Day Dinner Sunday October  
12th**

**Serving 10:30-12:30**

**St. Denis Day worker and donation sign-up forms are in the church foyer! All parishioners are asked to bring TWO desserts. Please bring them to the Parish Center by 9 AM on Sunday!**

## ST. LAWRENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION.**

September 28<sup>th</sup>-Norma Seyer

October 5<sup>th</sup>-Jackie Griffith

**PSR NEWS FROM PAT MOORE**

High School religion classes begin Sunday, October 12, in Shibly Hall after 8:30 AM Mass, from 9:30-10:30 AM.

All high school students are welcome.

### **MOTHER-SON HAYRIDE**

October 11 @5:30 PM at St. Lawrence.

Sign-up by contacting any St. Anne's Officer.

Ashley Lasters, Ashley Dirnberger,

Amanda Glastetter, Jenny Estes



**“Priesthood Sunday” is TODAY, September 28<sup>th</sup>. This is a day set aside to honor and celebrate the men in priesthood. Please pray for all priest, especially our priest, Fr. Daniel Belken. If you see Fr. Belken today, show your appreciation and thank him for being our shepherd and serving us in the name of Christ.**

**We love you Fr. Belken!**

### **ATTENTION CRAFT VENDORS & LOVERS**

St. Denis Home & School will host the **26<sup>th</sup> Annual** “Winter Wonderland of Treasures” craft show Saturday, December 6, from 8 AM -2 PM in the Parish Center. We welcome all talents, such as woodworking, art, jewelry, soaps, candles, signs, personalized items and more! Booth rental for an 8x8 space is \$30, with an additional \$10 for electricity. Table rental is \$5, or you may bring your own. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, text or call Crystal Gosche- 573-264-1217.

**MASS WITH BISHOP RICE** at St. Lawrence on **Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup>** at 6 PM. Rosary at the Grotto after Mass, followed by refreshments in the Parish Center.

**MASS WITH BISHOP RICE** for the St. Denis School Students at St. Denis **Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** at 8 AM.

**CODE OF CONDUCT.** Code of Conduct is available online or in the Parish Office to be signed for volunteers, workers, and PSR staff/teachers for the upcoming year. Please come by to sign or drop off as soon as possible. This year again another form needs to be signed. The “Fair Credit Reporting Act” background check form also needs to be signed along with the CoC form. Both are available online and in the Parish Office.


One of my favorite ways to cook is a way I came to discover when I was in high school- by smoker. There is something that is so rewarding and enriching about being able to take whatever your choice food is- even steak or chicken- and being able to perfectly prepare it, and then smoke it for some time. Perhaps that even translates into bigger cuts of meat, such as a brisket or a pork loin- and these cooks become quite lengthy. Some become so lengthy, in fact, that it is not uncommon for me to get up early to put on a turkey for Thanksgiving, just to make sure it is done on time. Aren't there easier ways to prepare the same foods- and much faster ways? Certainly there are! However, the goal when I smoke some food isn't expediency- it is a good, and delicious, end result.

The Gospel this weekend deals with the rich man and Lazarus. One had an easy way to go throughout life, and one had a much harder way to go. Only one made it to heaven- that was the one who had the harder way to go- that was Lazarus. The rich man had it easy throughout his entire life, and remained nameless and unimportant, even as he disappeared into eternal punishment.

It can be so easy to be fixated on the "fast and easy" things in life, and yet the Gospel could not be more clear. Fast and easy are two ways to wind up with a bad end result- or at the very least one that is not as "delicious" or savory as they could have been. Sometimes we do have to choose to be faithful to the harder way to do things- and even the ones that take time.

The spiritual life is not meant to be "fast and easy." Run it like a smoker- it may be hard, and it may take longer, but the end result is so much more rewarding.

*-Fr. Belken*

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