



October 26, 2011



PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

SAINT DENIS SCHOOL
 MISSION
 STATEMENT

St. Denis School is its people and the Christian values by which it lives, educates and learns. As a community of lifelong learners, the parents, administration and teachers are dedicated to the realization of the full potential of each student in spirit, mind and body by:

- * nurturing our spiritual journey through the sacraments, prayer and service to those in need;*
- * striving for academic excellence while developing skills required for the 21st century;*
- * promoting physical wellness.*

Our Baptism calls us to respond to the presence of Christ in others by living our core values of Faith, Mercy, Integrity, Cooperation and Respect.

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all who took part in the Haunt Jaunt last Saturday. Please remember the Trunk or Treat this weekend. A good time will be had by all.

I hope everyone was able to enjoy the beautiful day yesterday. It certainly was a busy one for our teachers.

Tomorrow our eighth grade will have their retreat directed by Fr. Marrone. What a special day for them.

We are happy to see so many of you for Conferences. RVS is getting back on track and by Report time (Dec. 9). They should have everything running smoothly. In the meantime, Conferences will continue. There will not be school on Oct. 31 as part of these meetings.

Last Wednesday we had 13 High Schools here for HS Night. Considering the weather, there was a pretty good turnout. On Friday, Oct. 28, Archbishop Carroll will be coming to St. Denis to speak with the 7th and 8th grade at 8:30 AM.

There will not be school on Nov. 1, All Saints Day, a holy day.

Mother's meeting for First Sacraments will take place in the Grimes Center at 7:15. First Friday Mass will be at 9:30 on Friday November 4.

God Bless You!

Sister Gerald Helene, OSF

Our One Call Now messaging system is now able to send text messages to your phone. If you would like to receive One Call Text Messages to your phone you must opt in. To opt in send the text message Alert to 22300 which is the SMS identifier for One Call Now.

OCTOBER

- 27 Grade 8 Retreat
2nd Grade Saint Presentation 1:00 pm
- 28 Trunk or Treat 5:30-7:00
- 31 Conferences no classes for students

Included with this newsletter:

- Wawa Coupon Order Form
- Haverford College Fall Basketball Clinic
- Night at the Races

NOVEMBER

- 1 All Saints Holyday No Classes
- 2 Mothers Meeting for First Sacraments
- 3 Advisory Board Meeting
- 4 First Friday Mass 9:30 am
- 5 Night at the Races
- 7-9 Book Fair
- 8 Ice Cream Social
- 14 Kin Fall Show 1:30
- 16 Confirmation Commissioning for Service
- 17 Ladies Night Out
- 21 Grade 5 State Fair
Peer Tutoring
- 22 Picture Re-take day
Thanksgiving Prayer Service 1:30
- 23 Faculty Retreat No Classes for Students
- 24-25 Thanksgiving Holidays

ARCHDIOCESAN BOY CHOIR TO SING AT ST. DENIS, HAVERTOWN

The highly regarded Archdiocesan Boy Choir will be singing at St. Denis Parish in Havertown, PA on November 19th at the 5:00 PM mass. Local parishioners are invited to attend mass and witness this special appearance. A spaghetti dinner will follow mass in the parish center.

The Archdiocesan Boy Choir will was founded in 1968 and includes boys in grades 2-8. Auditions are held twice each year. If you know of a boy who loves to sing, you can contact Choir Director, Tom Winfelder at 215-425-6995 for more information or to arrange an audition.

The Archdiocesan Boy Choir's next performance will be their highly anticipated Christmas Concert. It will be held on December 18th at 3:00 PM at St. Andrews in Drexel Hill, PA. CD's will be sold with proceeds to benefit their upcoming pilgrimage to Poland and the Czech Republic. For more information on the choir, to audition, or to contribute, please visit their website at www.archboychoir.org or call 610-906-3551.



A piece of the Bonner/Prendie technology initiative is to educate the parents. The first of three parent presentations will be coming up this Wednesday evening, October 26th from 7-8 p.m. in Bonner's Auditorium. This is open for all parents in the community, elementary and secondary. The topic will be Digital Citizenship and Digital Footprints.



*Calling All Vendors and Crafters
Sell Your Wares in Time for Christmas at the
Ladies Night Out at St. Denis
Thursday, November 17, 2011
7:00 – 10:00 pm (flyers on our website)*

BASKETBALL

Boys 5th & 6th Grade Basketball Tryouts

Open to all 5th and 6th grade boys who attend St. Denis school or are a registered member of St. Denis Parish. The tryout sessions will be conducted in the St. Denis Gym and interested participants must attend all of the following tryout dates.

Sat Nov 5th- 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Sun Nov 6th - 4:00-6:00 PM

Sat Nov 12th - 4:00-6:00 PM

Any questions, please contact Marty Moran at 610-368-0179 (Cell)

St. Denis Tuition Payment Options

To make your monthly payments easier, we offer tuition payments by credit card (Visa, MasterCard and Discovery), or Electronic Fund Transfers where you supply us with a voided check and we will request your tuition payment through the bank every month. If you have any questions on how to use these payment options, please call Vickie Walsh at the rectory 610.446.0200 x102 or by email at vwalsh@stdenishavertown.org.



Sister Lisa, a Missionary Sister of the Sacred Heart, seen here feeding a child in Haiti.

Sister visited Saint Denis School on Thursday, Oct. 20.



Sister Lisa with the PK students on the left and with the upper grade students on the right.



5th and 6th grade Boys Basketball

Come out to watch two great basketball teams. The St. Joe's Hawks will take on the Penn Quakers on Saturday January 21st at 1pm at the Palestra. Then stay for an intersquad scrimmage of the Saint Denis 5th and 6th grade Boys Basketball team.

Tickets are \$6. More information to follow as the date gets closer.

SPOTLIGHT on Kindergarten

The kindergarten children have been very busy these first few months. We have met our 6th grade buddies and have attended Mass with them and are planning a Halloween get together. We are learning about how special we are and that we are "Gifts from God." We are blessed to have wonderful families and friends. We are learning our letters, sight words, numbers, and beginning to write stories in our Kidwriting books. Oakmont Firefighters visited our school and we learned about fire prevention.

We went on a field trip to Highland Orchards and picked apples, went on a hayride and learned about pumpkin growth. The apple cider donuts were the best!

We are excited for Halloween and we will have a parade and Halloween party in our class. Our fall show is coming up and we will entertain our families with all our favorite songs and poems for the season.

