



September 21, 2011

**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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.*



**PRINCIPAL'S NOTE**

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful evening was had by all who attended the Back to School Barbecue! Thanks to Mrs. McGovern, the Advisory Board and all the wonderful cooks, DJ and "take down" parents. Thank you for coming and sharing this special evening with us.

As you know, Saturday is the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy. We will celebrate the Feast with Mass on Friday at 9:30 AM. Dismissal will be at 11:45. The teachers will be having a meeting for the afternoon.

Tomorrow, Thursday, September 22 is SNEAKER DAY. Any student who brings \$1 for the Cancer Fundraiser that has been in the recent Newsletters, can wear sneakers to school.

Pictures will be taken on Monday, Sept. 26, beginning at 8:30. They will be taken by class. Each teacher has a schedule of times.

On September 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting for eighth grade parents at 6:30 PM. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you to everyone who is working to make our yard safe for the students in the AM by not driving into that space.

We will also be having 9:30 AM Mass on October 4, the Feast of St. Francis. On October 11, the closing of Forty Hours, we will have Mass at 9:30 AM.

God bless you!

Sister Gerald Helene, OSF

**Youth Athletic Association (YAA)**

Current sports information from the athletic board will be included with our weekly communication.

Pictures will be posted in the photo gallery section of our website.

**SEPTEMBER**

23 Back to School Mercy Day Liturgy 9:30  
Faculty Meeting Dismissal 11:45

26 Individual Picture Day

**OCTOBER**

4 Feast of Saint Francis Liturgy 9:30 am

5 Parent Confirmation Meeting

6 Advisory Board Meeting

9-11 Forty Hours

10-11 PS to Sugartown Strawberry

11 Kindergarten to Highland Orchards  
End of Forty Hours Mass at 9:30

13 Fathers Meeting for First Sacraments

19 High School Night – Grimes Center 7:00-10:00

20 Progress Reports

Sr. Lisa from Holy Childhood Assoc. will visit in AM

24 Pumpkin Festival

27 Grade 8 Retreat

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Saint Presentation 1:00 pm

**Sneaker Day**

is on Thursday, Sept. 22. All students who bring in \$1 to benefit Children's Cancer Research are permitted to wear sneakers. All monies will be donated in honor of Joey Donnelly and Emily Conroy to the Four Seasons Parkway Run and Walk

**Opening Mass and Early Dismissal for Faculty Meeting**

Mass for the opening of the school year and in honor of Mercy Day will be held on Friday, Sept. 23. Mass will be at 9:30, dismissal at 11:45. Faculty meeting will be in the afternoon.

**Picture Day**

Students may dress in their nice clothes.

**SCHOOL CHOICE LEGISLATION**

Take a moment to review the attached information regarding school choice.

## **YAA News for the Week of September 19-25**

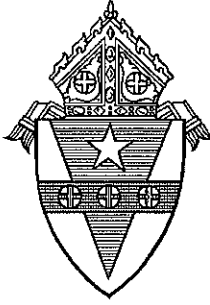
### **Here are the results of our sports teams for this past week:**

- Varsity Football: 8-12 L-vs- our Lady of Fatima
- JV Football: 6-13 L -vs- Our Lady of Fatima
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Flag Football: 28-0 W -vs- St. Aloyious
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Flag Football: 27-19 W -vs- St. Aloyious
- Varsity Field Hockey: Won the Notre Dame Tournament
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Soccer:
  - 8-0 W -vs- St. Annie's,
  - 0-6 L -vs-Annunciation
- Cross Country: There were over 1,200 competitors in the Philadelphia CYO. Our team had a terrific first showing with many of our team members competing for the very first time. Join me in congratulating the top St Denis finishers:
  - Sub-novice girls: Therese Trainer\*
  - Sub-novice boys: Anthony Lawson
  - Novice Girls: Olivia Hayes
  - Novice Boys: Jack Breslin
  - Minor Girls: Sydney Corcoran\*
  - Minor Boys: Alex Snyder\*
  - Cadet Girls: Kelsey Farkas\*

### **Here's what we have to look forward to this week!**

- Varsity Football: 9/24: St. Dot's 10am @ Paddock
- JV Football: 9/24: St. Dot's, 1130am @ Paddock
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Flag Football: 9/24: Chesmont Catholic, 8am @ Paddock
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Flag Football: 9/24: Chesmont Catholic, 8am @ Paddock
- Varsity Field Hockey:
  - 9/21: St. Annie's, 4pm @ Paddock
  - 9/27: St. Margaret's, 4pm AWAY
  - 9/28: St. Pius, 4pm AWAY
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Soccer:
  - 9/22: St. Laurence @ Police Field, 545pm
  - 9/24: St. Mary Mags7 @ Police Field, 4pm
  - 9/25: Nativity @ OLC Field, 1pm
  - 9/27: Notre Dame @ Police Field, 545pm
- Cross Country: 9/25: 12:30pm at the Belmont Plateau

***It's the little details that are so vital. Little things make big things happen.***  
***~John Wooden***



## ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

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RESPECT LIFE OFFICE  
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September 19, 2011

Dear Principal,

On **Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 11:00 A.M.**, Archbishop Charles Chaput will celebrate the annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Sunday Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. This special Mass marks the start of Respect Life Month during which the United States Bishops encourage all Catholics to build a culture of life in our society.

I am asking for your assistance to make this Respect Life Sunday Mass at the Cathedral a major event this year which will provide a strong testimony to our ongoing commitment to the protection of all human life.

**Will you please consider sending a delegation students, grades 6 -8, and their families to this year's Mass?** It will be a wonderful opportunity for them to meet our new Archbishop and to tour the Cathedral Basilica. The Mother Church of our Archdiocese is rich in beauty and in the history of our local Church. Their presence at the Mass will not only enrich them spiritually, but also educationally.

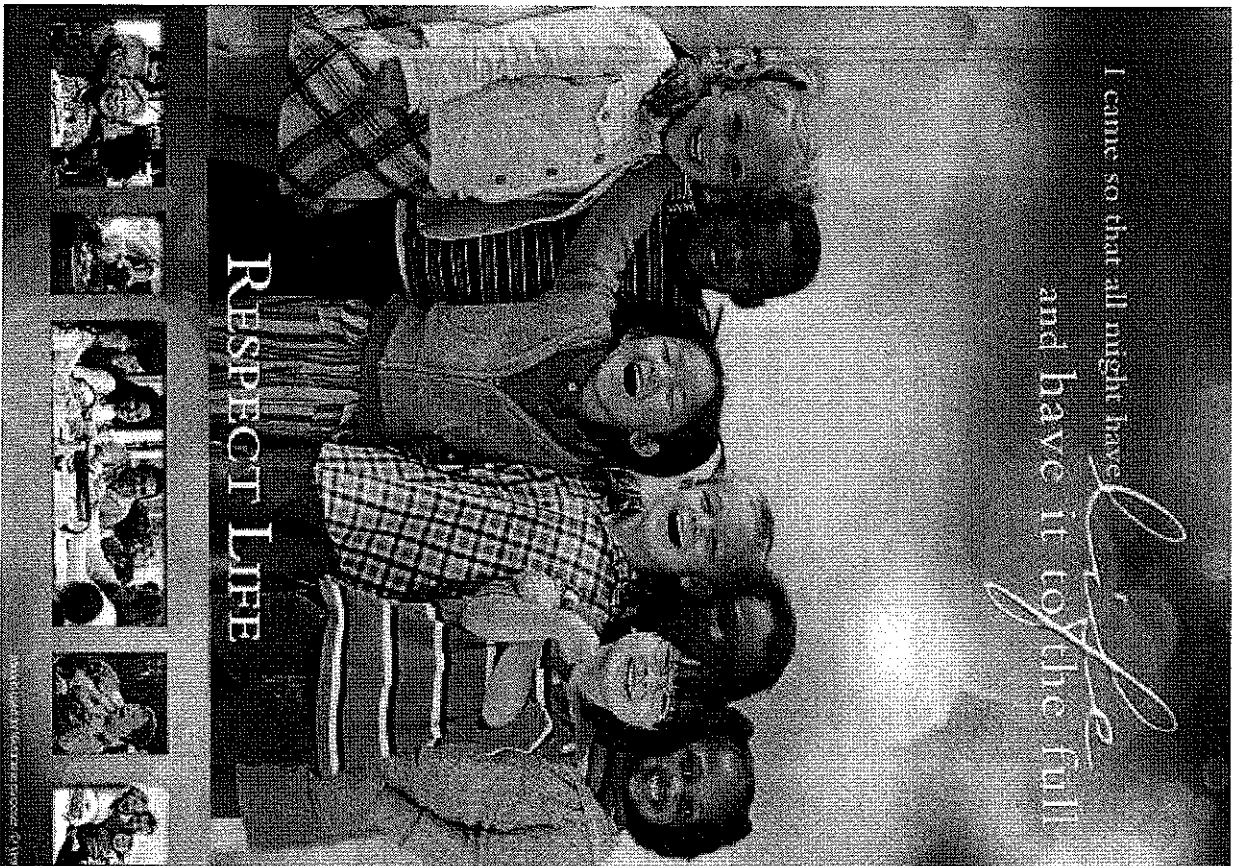
After the Mass there will be refreshments at Chapel Hall.

Please advise the Respect Life Office, via email at [lviglian@adphila.org](mailto:lviglian@adphila.org) or fax at 215-587-3561, before **September 26th**, of your school's participation and the approximate number of persons who will be attending so that we may have adequate refreshments for everyone and to acknowledge your school's participation.

Thank you for your untiring efforts to uphold the dignity of all human life and your service to the Lord of Life, Jesus Christ and his people!

Sincerely,

Steven Bozza  
Director



I came so that all might have *Life* and have it to the full

**RESPECT LIFE**

# RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

OCTOBER 2, 2011

HOLY MASS

11:00 A.M.

CATHEDRAL - BASILICA  
OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.  
Celebrant

Our celebration of life will continue with refreshments in Chapel Hall after Mass

## SCRIPT FOR LEGISLATOR VISIT OR PHONE CALL

As a constituent and concerned citizen, I strongly support school choice.

Providing a quality education for our children is the most critical investment we can make for our future. Parents have the duty and responsibility to provide the best education possible for their children. They have a right to determine which school will best meet the needs of their children. The state should support parents in meeting this obligation.

Please vote YES on legislation that would offer school choice to many families by increasing the successful EITC program and giving vouchers to low-income students in the lowest-achieving schools.

On behalf of my family and all of Pennsylvania's students and parents, thank you for supporting school choice.

# Archdiocesan

## School Choice Legislative Target List (22):

### Senate: (5)

<b>Dinniman</b> , Andrew E. (D) District 19 Chester County <a href="mailto:andydinniman@pasenate.com">andydinniman@pasenate.com</a>	Undecided	One North Church St. West Chester, PA 19380 Ph. 610-692-2112 FAX 610-436-1721
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<b>Kitchen</b> , Shirley M. (D) District 3 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:kitchen@pasenate.com">kitchen@pasenate.com</a>	Undecided	1701 W. Lehigh Avenue, Ste 104 Philadelphia, PA 19132 Ph. 215-227-6161 FAX 215-560-1316
<b>Stack</b> , Michael J. (D) District 5 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:stack@pasenate.com">stack@pasenate.com</a>	Leaning Yes	12361 Academy Rd. Philadelphia, PA 19154-1927 Ph. 215-281-2539 FAX 215-281-2798
<b>Washington</b> , LeAnna M. (D) District 4 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:washington@pasenate.com">washington@pasenate.com</a>	Leaning Yes	1555-D Wadsworth Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19150 Ph. 215-242-0472 FAX 215-753-4538

### House (17):

<b>Bishop</b> , Louise Williams (D) District 192 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:lbishop@pahouse.net">lbishop@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	1991 North 63rd Street Philadelphia, PA 19151 Ph. 215-879-6625 FAX 215-879-8566
<b>Boyle</b> , Brendan (D) District 170 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:bboyle@pahouse.net">bboyle@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	14230 Bustleton Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19116 Ph. 215-676-0300 FAX 215-676-0310
<b>Boyle</b> , Kevin J. (D) District 172 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:RepKevinBoyle@pahouse.net">RepKevinBoyle@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	7518 Frankfor Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 Ph. 215-331-2600 FAX 215-708-3135

<b>Brownlee</b> , Michelle F. (D) District 195 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:RepBrownlee@pahouse.net">RepBrownlee@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	2839 West Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19130 Ph. 215-684-3738 FAX 215-235-4629
<b>Cruz</b> , Angel (D) District 180 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:acruz@pahouse.net">acruz@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	2749 North 5th Street Philadelphia, PA 19133 Ph. 215-291-5643 FAX 215-291-5647
<b>*Davidson</b> , Margo L. (D) District 164 Delaware County <a href="mailto:RepDavidson@pahouse.net">RepDavidson@pahouse.net</a>	Support	Barclay Sqr. Shopping Ctr. 1500 Garrett Rd. Ste. 2D Upper Darby, PA 19082 Ph. 610-259-7016
<b>Delissio</b> , Pamela A. (D) District 194 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:RepDeLissio@pahouse.net">RepDeLissio@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	6511 Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19128 Ph. 215-482-8726 FAX 215-482-9066
<b>Donatucci</b> , Maria P. (D) District 185 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:MDonatucci@pahouse.net">MDonatucci@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	1809 Oregon Ave., Ste. 201 Philadelphia, PA 19145 Ph. 215-468-1515 FAX 215-952-1164
<b>Evans</b> , Dwight D. (D) District 203 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:devans@pahouse.net">devans@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	7174 Ogontz Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19138 Ph. 215-549-0220 FAX 215-549-8965
<b>Gerber</b> , Michael F. (D) District 148 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:repgerber@pahouse.net">repgerber@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	527 Fayette Street Conshohocken, PA 19428 Ph. 610-832-1679 FAX 610-832-1684
<b>Keller</b> , William F. (D) District 184 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:wkeller@pahouse.net">wkeller@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	1531 South 2nd Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 Ph. 215-271-9190 FAX 215-952-1025
<b>*Kirkland</b> , Thaddeus (D) District 159 Delaware County <a href="mailto:tkirklan@pahouse.net">tkirklan@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	29 East 5th Street Chester, PA 19013 Ph. 610-876-6420 FAX 610-447-3004
<b>McGeehan</b> , Michael P. (D) District 173 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:mmcgeeha@pahouse.net">mmcgeeha@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	7731 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136 Ph. 215-333-9760 FAX 215-333-5891

<b>Parker</b> , Cherelle L. (D) District 200 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:cparker@pahouse.net">cparker@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	1536 E. Wadsworth Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19150 Ph. 215-242-7300 FAX 215-242-7303
<b>Sabatina</b> , John P. (D) District 174 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:jsabatin@pahouse.net">jsabatin@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	8100 Castor Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19152 Ph. 215-342-6204 FAX 215-342-6207
<b>Shapiro</b> , Joshua (D) District 153 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:ishapiro@pahouse.net">ishapiro@pahouse.net</a>	Support	1175 Old York Road Abington, PA 19001 Ph. 215-517-6800 FAX 215-517-6828
<b>Waters</b> , Ronald G. (D) District 191 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:rwaters@pahouse.net">rwaters@pahouse.net</a>	Leaning Yes	6027 Ludlow Street, Unit A Philadelphia, PA 19139 Ph. 215-748-6712 FAX 215-748-1687

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## School Choice Hopeful's (22):

### Senate (3):

<b>Greenleaf</b> , Stewart J. (R) District 12 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:sgreenleaf@pasen.gov">sgreenleaf@pasen.gov</a>	Oppose	711 York Rd. Willow Grove, PA 19090-3419 Ph. 215-657-7700 FAX 215-657-1885
<b>Hughes</b> , Vincent J. (D) District 7 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:hughes@pasenate.com">hughes@pasenate.com</a>	Oppose	The Parkside Lofts 4950 Parkside Ave., Suite 300 Philadelphia, PA 19131 Ph. 215-879-7777 FAX 215-879-7386
<b>Leach</b> , Daylin (D) District 17 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:leach@pasenate.com">leach@pasenate.com</a>	Oppose	601 S. Henderson Rd., Ste 208 King of Prussia, PA 19406 Ph. 610-768-4200

### House (19):

<b>Bradford</b> , Matthew (D) District 70 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:mbradford@pahouse.net">mbradford@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	1846 Markley Street Norristown, PA 19401 Ph. 610-270-1150 FAX 610-270-1895
<b>Briggs</b> , Tim (D) District 149 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:repbriggs@pahouse.net">repbriggs@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	580 Shoemaker Road, Ste. 149 King of Prussia, PA 19406 Ph. 610-768-3135 FAX 610-468-3112
<b>Cohen</b> , Mark B. (D) District 202 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:mcohen@pahouse.net">mcohen@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	6001 North 5th Street, 2nd Fl.r Philadelphia, PA 19120 Ph. 215-924-0895 FAX 215-924-8480
<b>Curry</b> , Lawrence H. (D) District 154 Montgomery County <a href="mailto:lcurry@pahouse.net">lcurry@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	1 Jenkintown Station, Ste 211, 115 West Avenue Jenkintown, PA 19046 Ph. 215-572-5210 FAX 215-517-1423
<b>Davis</b> , Tina M. (D) District 141 Bucks County <a href="mailto:RepDavis@pahouse.net">RepDavis@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	3611 Green Lane Levittown, PA 19057 Ph. 215-943-8669

<b>Galloway</b> , John T. (D) District 140 Bucks County <a href="mailto:jgallowa@pahouse.net">jgallowa@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	8610 New Falls Road Levittown, PA 19054 Ph. 215-943-7206 FAX 215-943-2008
<b>Josephs</b> , Babette (D) District 182 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:bjosephs@pahouse.net">bjosephs@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	1528 Walnut Street, Ste. 501 Philadelphia, PA 19102 Ph. 215-893-1515 FAX 215-560-5816
<b>Milne</b> , Duane (R) District 167 Chester County <a href="mailto:dmilne@pahousegop.com">dmilne@pahousegop.com</a>	Undecided	18 E. Lancaster Avenue. Routes 29 & 30, Noll Bldg. Malvern, PA 19355 Ph. 610-251-1070 FAX 610-251-1074
<b>Myers</b> , John L. (D) District 201 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:jmyers@pahouse.net">jmyers@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	5847 Germantown Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144 Ph. 215-849-6896 FAX 215-560-1824
<b>O'Brien</b> , Dennis M. (R) District 169 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:dobrien@pahousegop.com">dobrien@pahousegop.com</a>	Oppose	9811 Academy Road, LL Philadelphia, PA 19114-1715 Ph. 215-632-5150 FAX 215-281-2094
<b>O'Brien</b> , Michael H. (D) District 175 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:mobrien@pahouse.net">mobrien@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	610 North 2nd Street Philadelphia, PA 19123-3002 Ph. 215-503-3245 FAX 215-503-7850
<b>O'Neill</b> , Bernie (R) District 29 Bucks County <a href="mailto:boneill@pahousegop.com">boneill@pahousegop.com</a>	Oppose	755 York Road, Suite 105 Warminster, PA 18974 Ph. 215-441-2624 FAX 215-441-2627
<b>Quinn</b> , Marguerite (R) District 143 Bucks County <a href="mailto:mquinn@pahousegop.com">mquinn@pahousegop.com</a>	Undecided	1032 North Easton Road Doylestown, PA 18902-1055 Ph. 215-489-2126 FAX 215-489-2129
<b>Roebuck</b> , James R. (D) District 188 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:jroebuck@pahouse.net">jroebuck@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	4712 Baltimore Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19143 Ph. 215-724-2227 FAX 215-724-2230
<b>Ross</b> , Chris (R) District 158 Chester County <a href="mailto:cross@pahousegop.com">cross@pahousegop.com</a>	Undecided	PO Box 835 Unionville, PA 19375 Ph. 610-925-0555 FAX 610-925-5408

<b>Thomas, W. Curtis (D)</b> District 181 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:cthomas@pahouse.net">cthomas@pahouse.net</a>	Undecided	530 West Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19123 Ph. 215-560-3261 FAX 215-560-2152
<b>Vitali, Greg (D)</b> District 166 Delaware County <a href="mailto:gvitali@pahouse.net">gvitali@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	1001 East Darby Road Havertown, PA 19083 Ph. 610-789-3900 FAX 215-560-4197
<b>Watson, Katharine M. (R)</b> District 144 Bucks County <a href="mailto:kwatson@pahousegop.com">kwatson@pahousegop.com</a>	Oppose	1410 West Street Road, Ste. B Warminster, PA 18974 Ph. 215-674-0500 FAX 215-674-0347
<b>Youngblood, Rosita C. (D)</b> District 198 Philadelphia County <a href="mailto:ryoungbl@pahouse.net">ryoungbl@pahouse.net</a>	Oppose	208 W. Cheltenham Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19144 Ph. 215-849-6426 Fax 215-849-5476



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If oppose, why?

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