



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Celebrates its 90th Year

School celebrates its history while honoring service to those in need and its community.

Denver, CO – September 27, 2017 – St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Catholic School is celebrating its 90th year of educating children in the Denver area. The school opened its doors in September 1927 with two teachers from the Sisters of Loretto, with 45 students, and four grades. The school’s enrollment today exceeds over 400 students and services 3-year old Preschool through 8th Grade. The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia from Nashville, TN have led the school since 1996. There is a long-standing tradition of academic excellence at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School. The school’s rigorous, time-tested curriculum, taught by committed faculty in a faith-based and nurturing environment, results in a measurably accomplished academic achievement. Catholic teachings, faith and traditions are integral to a curriculum that reinforces what is taught at home, including virtues of discipline, respect and responsibility. These will provide guidance and inspiration to a child as they navigate life's challenges.

A school Mass, student assembly and parade was held, September 27th, to celebrate its 90th year and the Feast day of Saint Vincent de Paul (1580 – 1660), the Patron Saint of Service for the Universal Church. Born in Gascony, France, Vincent de Paul provided works of charity that became renowned not only in Paris, but in all of France. The poor, the sick, the old, the young, the mentally challenged, the galley slaves, starving peasants, wounded and dying soldiers – all were objects of his pity. To honor his mission, our school has implemented *SVdP Serves*, a program that offers students at each grade level the opportunity to serve their community. From 3-year-old Preschool through Eighth Grade, each classroom engages in a partnership intended to foster compassion through consistent altruism. “As a school, we are dedicated to imitating our Patron Saint’s compassion for those in need, responding to them with truth and love. There is a renewed energy and rediscovery of St. Vincent’s charism to be grateful for what we have received and to give back to others and to the community. We see our students growing in awareness of the needs of those around them and responding generously,” says Principal, Sister Dominic Quinn, O.P.

To continue the 90th year celebration, SVdP invites all alumni, neighbors, and parishioners to send pictures or messages from past and present decades to the school. A celebration of the school’s decades will take place in January, during Catholic Schools Week, and a time capsule is being assembled with memorabilia from each decade that will be opened in 2027, the school’s 100th year.

In addition, the school is hosting an Open House on Wednesday, October 25th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. with tours for prospective families. For further information on St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School, visit www.svdpk8.com or contact us at (303) 777-3812.

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