



OCTOBER 26, 2010

**LETTER TO THE PARENTS OF
SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL PARISH
DAY SCHOOL**

Dear Parents, Faculty, and Staff of St. John's School,

I am pleased to inform you that the Bishop and Vestry have appointed the Reverend Bill Wade as priest-in-charge of St. John's Church and School until just before Christmas. As priest-in-charge during this time he will serve in the role of rector and head of school at St. John's. We are most hopeful that during this time we can make significant steps forward regarding more permanent leadership for us all.

Father Wade has over 35 years working in three different Episcopal schools having recently retired as head of St. Andrew's -Sewanee School in Tennessee. He was a member of the board of the National Association of Episcopal including serving as its president for two years. NAES recognized him with the Ruth Jenkins Award for his service to Episcopal schools throughout the nation.

It is important to note that during this time, Canon Jenny Vervynck, Interim Assistant Head of School, will continue to be in charge of the daily operations of the school including working directly with parents, the faculty and staff. She and Fr. Wade will be working closely together and I will be kept informed about the important work of the school.

During this transition time, we are fortunate to have someone with Father Wade's proven experience and expertise. Please join me, the Vestry and the Bishop in welcoming him to our community.

Sincerely,

*Ana Garcia
Senior Warden*

WELCOME TO SAINT JOHN'S FATHER BILL WADE!

Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff of St. John's School,

I am delighted to be at St. John's Church and School as priest-in-charge and look forward to being a part of the community if only for a brief time. The Bishop, Vestry and I hope much can be accomplished as the community moves forward to more permanent leadership.

As priest-in-charge I take on the responsibilities as rector of the church and, as you know, at St. John's that means I have the responsibility as head of school, a role that I enjoyed in my previous school for 27 years. I anticipate providing overall leadership for the school in the coming weeks and anticipate being involved in the more significant decisions that need to be made. However, given what I need to accomplish in the coming weeks for the school and the church, Canon Jenny Vervynck, Interim Assistant Head of School, will continue to be in charge of the daily operations of the school including working directly with parents, the faculty and staff. I think it is clear that Canon Vervynck has exercised strong leadership skills during the last several months and I anticipate she will continue to do that in the time ahead. She and I will be working closely together so that I am kept informed about the daily life of the school and the challenges that we have together.

Again I look forward to being a part of St. John's School and I look forward to coming to know you and, mostly importantly, the children that are entrusted to our care.

Sincerely,

The Rev. William S. Wade

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