

Handout to the students to take home to share with their parents

SHALOM CLUB
ALL SAINTS SCHOOL – ST. PETERS, MO

To continue in the **mission of Jesus** we are called to the spirit of **right relationships** with God/ourselves/others/creation, a spirit of **harmony, peace, shalom**. **Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger**, foundress of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, shared this spirit in her very reason for beginning the religious group of women in 1833: to bring the justice of a Christian education to poor girls who had no opportunity to be educated and, therefore, lacked a sense of peace in their lives. Since then the international community of School Sisters of Notre Dame, (SSND), as emphasized through *SSND Shalom International Network*, continues to work for **unity**, educating with a **world vision** and a sense of **global responsibility**, risking in **faith** for a more **just and truly human world**. *All Saints School* shares in this mission of Jesus and continually works to bring about peace and justice both locally and globally. **SHALOM CLUB – ALL SAINTS SCHOOL** is both the fruit of and action for this mission.

WHO ARE WE?

1. We are students of Grades 5-8
2. We meet twice a month at lunch time on Wednesdays
3. We think about and discuss things and places in need of peace in our world and choose an action(s) to work on together that brings peace
4. We join with members from other clubs in the area for a “kick off” in our beginning months
5. Sister Carol Jean Dust, SSND, works with us.

WHY DO WE GATHER?

To share the vision and commitment of the SSND Shalom Network

WHAT DO WE DO?

We want to show that it is possible to bring peace through justice and the integrity of creation

We want to think and pray together using the light of the Gospels, the mission of Jesus.

We want to provide hope to others.

We want to communicate and network with other youth throughout the world who share our same vision.

We want to choose an action(s) that will bring about God’s vision of peace, shalom.