

Prayer Corner

Please remember these families in your prayers.

- * Mr. Steve Little, Allison German's (7GF) grandfather passed away in August.
- * Mr. Angus Duncan, Gabriel (2R) and Andre (4R) Fernandez' uncle passed away in September.
- * Bianca Baez (8S) and Kayla Parris' (4R) grandfather passed away in September.

Pray for all the members of our school and parish community who are ill. May our Gracious God bring them healing, peace and continued good health.

Congratulations

Best wishes to all of these families.

- Matthew (7B), Christopher (5DC), and Emily (2F) Markusic's cousin, Father Michael Denk, was ordained a priest in the Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio. Blessings on Father Denk as he begins his special ministry in the Church.
- Mary Grace (2F) and Stephanie (KP) Meyer became big sisters as they welcomed into this world on August 27 James George Meyer their new baby brother. Congratulations to mom and dad, Jane and George!
- Alumni Frank Philip (son of Mrs. Lydia Philip), wife, Sarah, and sisters Madison and Emily welcomed Noah-Stephen Thomas Philip into this world on September 2, 2007.

St. Mary Magdalen School is proud to announce that twenty-nine of our seventh grade students have qualified to participate in Duke University's Talent Identification Program. In order to qualify, students must have scored at the 95th percentile or higher on a grade level standardized achievement or aptitude test. Our students qualified based on their scores from the Riverside Iowa Test of Basic Skills in reading, math or composite score. These students are now eligible to take the SAT or ACT college-level exam with high school seniors. The benefit of taking an above-level test will serve them well as they work toward college admission in the coming years. These students are a powerful witness of Catholic Education at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School!

School News

We have had a great start to the new school year. Currently our enrollment is 492 students, up 12 students from the previous school year. We thank God every day that our parish continues to support this special ministry. It is our pleasure to join with families to assist in the faith formation and spiritual development of our children.

Sports teams are off to a great start. We have had some wins and some losses. Our Mustang spirit of good sportsmanship continues to grow. Come and cheer our students on to victory. A game schedule is available on the web.

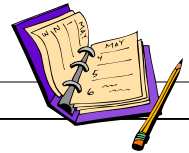
Please pray with and for our eighth grade students this Friday. They will participate in an annual retreat day during which time they will set goals for the year and celebrate each other's gifts. Many of these students have been together at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School for 9 years. This eighth grade year is a very special time for them.

Volunteers

Thank you to all of the parents who have helped out in so many ways since the beginning of the school year. It is wonderful to have you on campus and it is wonderful for your children to see you here. We are short volunteers during lunch time in the cafeteria and during outdoor recess in certain grade levels. As always, our primary interest is to keep our children safe. If you are able to help out, please contact Susan Englert with information about your availability.

CLARIFICATION on parent volunteer hours for the Community Fest. School parents are encouraged to continue to volunteer during the Community Fest. Hours equal \$ for our school ministry. However, the requirement of 2 hours per child / a max of 4 hours per family, has been eliminated. We do hope to see you at the Community Fest.

Calendar Reminders



October 8 — Grade 6 Scripture Service, 7:00 pm, church

October 19, 22 and 23—No School for Students (Community Fest / Teacher Diocesan In-Service)

Our Middle School Players are busy practicing for our drama performance 2008, "In the Woods." Check your calendar and reserve the weekend of January 19 to come see the performance!