



June/July 2008

Dear Parishioners,

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank you for the many wonderful avenues of support that you provide to the parish school. The amount of time, talent, and contributions that are so generously given for various needs are a true reflection of the kindness that abounds within our parish community. We are very blessed at Mary Help of Christians Parish.

Our families are so fortunate to have the benefit of a parish school for their children and grandchildren. The school is an integral part of the Church's mission to proclaim the Gospel, build faith communities, celebrate through worship, and serve others. We have developed a faith-centered community which integrates thinking and believing in ways that encourage intellectual growth, nurture faith, and inspire action.

We believe that education is the key that will unlock many of life's doors, and that this opportunity should be provided to each student entrusted to our care. For the past nineteen years, St. Mary's has been able to assist families in need through the HELP-A-STUDENT PROGRAM. Families requesting assistance are required to complete a financial application verifying their need. These applications are then reviewed by the principal and parish priest.

We thank all who were able to help us in the past through their donations or memorials and those who contributed monthly to the program. As the 2008-2009 school year approaches, we again seek your gracious assistance. If you wish to support this essential program, please complete the form below by September 7, 2008. It may be placed in the collection basket at one of the Masses or mailed to the Parish Office at 911 Swanwick Street, Chester, IL 62233. God bless you for sharing your blessings with us.

Thank you,

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HELP-A-STUDENT PROGRAM
(Please return by September 7, 2008)

Please check the appropriate box and complete the personal information.

- Adopt-a-Student (Pay full tuition \$1650.00 or @ \$165.00 per month) Amount _____
- Help-a-Student (Pay 50% or more of total tuition per month) Amount _____
- Gift to Student Program (Other amount paid monthly or one time payment) Amount _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

THANK YOU FOR CARING ABOUT
OUR SCHOOL