



St. Michael's Prayer Partner Program



We need **ADULTS** from our parish to support our youth (**grades 9-12**) through the Prayer Partner Program. The essential motivation behind it is prayer. We want to show our youth that they have the support of a strong network of people within our parish family that really care about them and are willing to take time for them in prayer and correspondence. On April 22, 2010 we'll all come together to celebrate with our Prayer Partners.

What is the purpose of the program?

1. To teach the importance of prayer and how members of our Church Community pray for one another in an unselfish and unconditional way.
2. To help the adults become aware of the unique qualities and gifts of our parish youth.
3. To help the youth become aware that there are people who are willing to give unconditional love and prayer.

How does the program work?

As a Prayer Partner, your commitment is to pray for your youth during the school year. It is done in **SECRET**. You know who your prayer partner is, but the students don't know who you are (the secret pal concept).

You can request who you would like to pray for. We will do our best to match up the requests but there are no guarantees. Our goal is to have someone praying for each high school student so we may ask you to pray for more than 1 student.

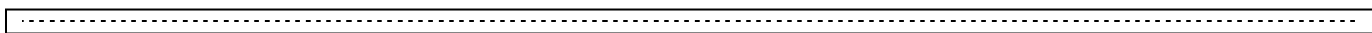
How do you make your student aware of your prayers?

- Send them a note letting them know you received their name and will be praying for them.
- Search for them in church and let them know you saw them there.
- Search for them in the newspaper (sports, theater, band, academics, etc.) & let them know.
- Send them cards....birthday, Christmas, or just Hello.
- Send them clippings of inspirational articles or prayers you see that might help them focus.
- **Gift giving is discouraged.** Purchased materialistic gifts only defeat the purpose of the program, that being, to put God and prayer as number one in our lives. Prayer is the gift we give to one another.

THANK YOU for volunteering for this program. Our youth are in that time of their lives where everything is so uncertain. It is great, as parish family, to give them a glimpse of God and His love.

*Please mark your calendar for **April 22, 2010** for the Prayer Partner Celebration!
We'll begin with Mass, then to the church basement for great food and conversation.*

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact Connie Cleemput, 532-3474, Ext. 102



Please fill out form below and return to the parish office, Connie or drop in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

I would like to pray for: **(Please pick someone other than the students you had last year.)**

_____ or 2. _____

Just assign a Prayer Partner to me.

Please return by September 26, 2009