

When my husband and I were transferred back to St. Louis from Virginia, my first phone call was to Saint Mary Magdalen School. After talking to Mrs. Albert I had that same warm feeling that I felt when we were there before. There's something to be said for the feeling of home and all the excitement that comes with it.



The Grossen Family
David, Michelle,
Kaitlyn, Jordan
and Haidyn

Seeing all the new faces and all the familiar ones, we were taken back in as if we had never left. Fourth grade with Mrs. Jorcke was an amazing year for Jordan. I have never seen a teacher take so much pride in *Little House on the Prairie* and all the fun exciting stuff that comes with it.

Kaitlyn's fifth grade with Ms. Koberlein was great; it is such a transition year and all her assistance was great. Kaitlyn also has the privilege of working with our resource teacher, Mrs. Bergman. She has given Kaitlyn so much self-esteem and helped her to mature into such a lovely, caring young lady.

Saint Mary Magdalen is not only amazing in what they do for their students but also unbelievable in what they do for their families. I was diagnosed with Stage 2 Breast Cancer December 2007. We met as a family with Mrs. Albert, and all our kids' teachers to let them know what was going on and if anything arose to please let us know. The staff, families, parish and school rallied around our family and pulled us closer in. Mrs. Jorcke made a list of families willing to cook; she arranged the meals and transportation. The parish families cooked and transported kids to and from the hospital. There were even times that teachers transported our children to and from school. I received letters from the children in my kids' classes with good wishes. Every time I was at school or mass every child and adult was very loving and concerned.

In this day and age, if you have ever questioned the cost of private school, let me be a witness that there is no better place to send your children and your money than Saint Mary Magdalen School. You will be very pleased with the respect, love, honor and commitment that is instilled in your children by the faculty, priests and families. Please consider being a part of this amazing school and all the love that comes with the name...Saint Mary Magdalen School.

– Michelle Grossen

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