



St. Mary Magdalene
Catholic Community
Willowick, Ohio
Serving the needs of God's people
for **60** years!

June 26, 2009

Dear Parish Community,

On the back of this letter is our preliminary festival report. **WE DID VERY WELL!** We believe that most all the big bills are accounted for. This year, we will bring into the parish budget at least \$98,000. That is **AWESOME!** We thank God for the blessing that our parish festival is to our parish. We also thank all of you for the many ways in which you help make this year's festival the best we have ever had in our 60 year history. I pray daily for our parish community and that God provides the things we need. In good years and in lean years I know that our good and loving God does just that. He has provided for us as we offer back to Him our gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure.

What will we do with the money? As you know we owe a lot of money to the Diocese of Cleveland for Assessments and Property/Liability Insurance. We have a large outstanding balance to the Priest Retirement fund for Fr. Ted's and my retirement. We have a financial commitment to St. Mary Magdalene – St. Justin Martyr School. We are also behind on these payments as well. So you know the money will be put to good use!

There would be too many people to thank in person and I would be afraid that I would miss someone's name. We certainly thank the Festival Committee – they work very hard before, during and after the festival. We thank the parish staff and maintenance staff. There are a lot of details that they handle from newsletters, money boxes to trash removal. We thank the over five hundred volunteers, some of whom worked every hour the festival was open. We thank many business and individuals who donated their time, talent and treasure so we could print raffle tickets, have great entertainment, haul away tons and tons of trash and the list goes on and on. We also thank the record crowds who came to the festival. People came from far and wide to enjoy the light and love of our parish community. We appreciate that you let your light shine!

On behalf of the parish staff and festival committee I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Ron". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Fr. Ron
Team Member for the Festival Committee