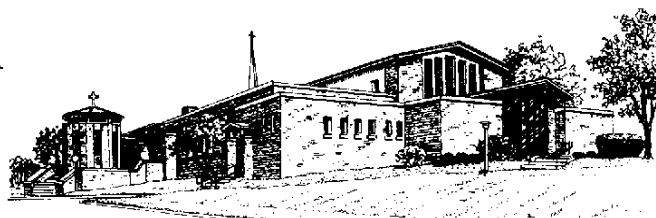


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Major Retailers Want To Give Money To Our Saint Bartholomew Family!

We are pleased to share some exciting news about a new fund raising program soon to be implemented. It is called "scrip", and it is the fund raising program that works while you shop.

Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money" – in other words, scrip is gift certificates from national and local retailers. They are the same gift certificates that you buy at the store. Many popular retailers will participate in our scrip program including JC Penney, The Gap, Shell, Pizza Hut, Blockbusters, Toys r Us, Starbucks, Lazarus, American Airlines and many, many more.

You are probably asking yourself how these stores help us raise money. It's simple -- scrip participating retailers agree to sell gift certificates to Saint Bartholomew at a discount. Members buy the certificates for full face value, redeem them for full face value, and we keep the difference as revenue. And scrip is exciting, because everybody wins:

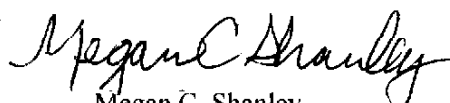
- The retailers receive cash up front and repeat business...
- We get a powerful fund raising alternative that involves *no selling*...
- The parish receives a regular source of revenue, which in turn benefits all of us..
- This promises to be a simple and effective, on-going fund raising program...
- Please note this revenue is not applied directly towards personal tuition or fund raising accounts.
- After many discussions, it has been determined that the revenue generated from the scrip program shall be used to benefit the entire Saint Bartholomew Community.


The beauty of scrip is that you put your regular household shopping dollars to work. You earn money for Saint Bartholomew without spending any additional money. Just spend your regular shopping dollars with scrip at the stores that participate in the program!

Additional information to follow; please feel free to contact Megan Shanley @ 412-951-6886 or Jude Punturi @ 412-731-3996 for any questions you may have at this time.

Thanking you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,


Megan C. Shanley
Scrip Program Coordinator


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Assistant Scrip Program Coordinator



What Is Scrip?

Scrip is a term that means "substitute money". When you purchase scrip, you're purchasing negotiable gift certificates and prepaid cards that are used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials, and with every purchase, you earn revenue for our organization.

How scrip generates revenue for you

The Great Lakes Scrip Center acts on behalf of churches, schools and other non-profit organizations to purchase large amounts of scrip from grocery stores, department stores, and other retailers. Because the scrip is purchased with cash up front, the participating retailers offer a substantial discount. Our organization buys the scrip from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a discount, and re-sells the certificates to families like yours for full face value. The discount - from two to fifteen percent or more - is our organization's revenue.

Scrip is "shopping cart fundraising"

Scrip is a popular fundraiser because families don't have to sell anything. Organization members produce revenue by making regular household purchases they would make anyway. Groceries, clothing, toys, gifts, even gasoline can be purchased with scrip.

Find Out More

Ask your scrip coordinator listed below for the latest participating retailer list. Then put your shopping dollars to work for our organization!

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Shell - special use	\$50	2%
Shell Gas	\$25/\$100	2%
Speedway	\$25/\$100	4%
Sunoco	\$50	2%
Super America (Speedway)	\$25/100	4%
Tesoro	\$25	2%
Tobacco Outlet Plus (Kwik Trip)	\$20	3%
Union 76	\$25	2.5%

The following retailers are available for immediate purchase:

GIANT EAGLE	\$10/25/50/100	5%
FOODLAND	\$10/25/50	10%
LABRIOLA'S ITALIAN FOOD STORES	\$10	10%
EAT n' PARK	\$10/25	10%
RED LOBSTER	\$10/25	10%
OLIVE GARDEN	\$10/25	10%
SMOKEY BONES BBQ	\$10/25	10%
MCDONALDS	\$5	10%
KAUFMANN'S	\$10/25	10%
KINGS RESTAURANT	\$5	20%
SHOP n' SAVE	\$10/25	4%
COMMUNITY MARKETS	\$10/25	4%

If you wish to order: circle the denomination, indicate quantity and total your order.

Checks made payable to: Saint Bartholomew Parish

Name _____

Phone # _____

Total of Order \$ _____

Customer ID # _____

Thank you for your order!
Please submit by Mondays at 10:00 AM