

What is a St. Mary's Community Scrip Provider?

St. Mary's Scrip Program supports St. Mary's Catholic School and Church in St Clair, Michigan.

'Scrip' is simply another word for gift cards or gift certificates used the same as cash for everyday purchases of consumer goods and services. The Scrip Program purchases these gift cards/certificates at a discount, sells them at face value then considers the difference between face value and the discounted purchase price 'profit'.

For example, if a family spends \$100 worth of gasoline per week, they first purchase a \$100 Speedway gift certificate from the Scrip Program. The family pays \$100 for a \$100 gas card. Gasoline fill ups are then paid for with the gift card.

Program profit is generated from the discount percentage. The \$100 gift card is discounted at 4%. (The Scrip Program paid \$96 when purchasing the card) and the profit earned is \$4.00 ($\$100 \times 4\%$).

Families are able to select how this \$4.00 profit is spent from one of the following choices:

- 75% St. Mary's Family Tuition Credit / 25% St. Mary's Technology Fund
- 100% St. Mary's Technology Fund
- 75% St. Mary's Parish / 25% St. Mary's Technology Fund
- 75% St. Mary's Religious Education Program / 25% St. Mary's School Technology Fund

Tuition credit is by far the most popular choice and motivation for repeat Scrip purchases. St. Mary's School benefits from Technology Fund purchases which provide technological improvements/enhancements supporting the educational and administrative needs of the school.

During the 2006-2007 school year the Technology Fund updated/enhanced the school with the following items:

- Three (3) computers for the Computer Lab
- Server and associated equipment
- Software licenses

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- Yearbook camera and accessories
- 27" TV/DVD/CD for Preschool classroom
- Annual website name registration fee
- Equipment wiring/setup/maintenance services

We sincerely appreciate the generous support of businesses providing Scrip to support a Christ-centered education and St. Mary's Catholic Church.

What Type of Businesses are we Looking For?

Any type of business! We are open to any and all types of businesses which may appeal to this type of customer base. Local retailers provide a wealth of opportunity for Scrip customers to support both the school and the local economy. We would welcome your business as a Community Scrip Provider!

What This Means for Your Business:

- *You* select the gift card/certificate denomination
- *You* select the gift card/certificate discount percentage
- *You* select the allowable purchases/terms for Scrip purchases
- *You* select the method which your business provides Scrip. There are two options:
 - Gift certificates available for pickup or delivery
 - Purchases recorded at the time of sale. Your business will receive special forms to keep track of customer purchases.
- Free advertising in our brochures, retailer lists, school newsletter and church bulletin to a parent/staff/group committed to using Scrip
- Tax Benefit for the discount % (contact your tax advisor)
- Program updates

Thank you for your consideration of the Scrip Program! If you are interested in becoming a Community Scrip Provider, contact the School Office at 810-329-4150 for further details.