

ST CHARLES BORROMEO  
SCRIP PROGRAM 2019-2020

Dear St. Charles Parishioners,

My name is Karen Porter and I help run the St. Charles Scrip Program along with many other volunteers. My son has been attending St. Charles since Pre-K and is now in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and I have volunteered many years selling scrip but now I run the program. I am seeing a significant drop in volunteers and in families purchasing scrip. This program is available to all families and parishioners and is beneficial for anyone that has a child attending catholic school, a CYO club or CCD. The scrip program is essentially "FREE MONEY"!

**How The Scrip Program Works For You** – St Charles purchases retail cards from a vendor at a discounted price and we sell the retail cards to our parents and parishioners for the card face value, the discount % applied by the vendor is applied to each parent or parishioner enrolled in the scrip program. St. Charles and you split the discount %, 50/50 if you have a child in a Catholic high school or college or 80/20 if you have child(ren) attending St. Charles. As an example, I shop at Giant (5% discount on all denominations from vendor). I purchase the retail cards for Giant from the scrip program. My \$100 gift card for Giant has a 5% discount from the vendor, so 80% of the 5% ( $\$100 \times 5\% = \$5$ ), (80% of the  $\$5 = \$4$ ). \$4 would go towards my scrip account. The 20% goes towards St. Charles which in this case is \$1. The gift card is still worth \$100 to be used to shop at Giant but the discount that the vendor provided is now \$4 in your account. Over time this adds up, I have been very fortunate and was able to accumulate about \$600 in one school year with purchasing scrip and that was \$600 less that I had to pay towards my son's tuition. We all shop somewhere and if we can receive free money for shopping at our grocery store or our clothing store, that's fantastic! To this letter, I am attaching our "In Stock" list, our "Special Order" list, a form to fill out if you would like to enroll your family into the scrip program and a form to use for signing up for the ordering online program.

**How Can You Purchase Scrip** – Purchasing scrip is very easy, there are several ways to order scrip and I am introducing a new, very convenient way to order scrip this school year. Below are the ways to obtain scrip, please call me at 215-431-1134 or email me with any questions or if you would like to sign up to volunteer, at Karen.porter@compucom.com.

- **Rectory Scrip office school hours** is open on the below days and times, these dates and times are dependent on whether or not a volunteer is available:  
Sunday – 9am – 12pm                      Thursday – 6:30pm – 8:30pm  
Tuesday – 6:30pm – 8:30pm              Friday – 10am – 12pm  
Wednesday – 10am – 12pm
- **St Charles School** accepts orders sent in through the "take home folder" every child uses to bring information home or return to school. You can send a note with order, name, contact # and form of payment (cash or check, check should be made out to St Charles Borromeo Scrip) in an envelope and the scrip will be returned home.
- **Order online** with our scrip manager program, provide your email address to me and I will provide you with instructions on how to login to the program and order scrip. Once you order online, you will be notified when your order is ready for pick up at the rectory scrip office. Enrollment form is attached.
- **Rectory Scrip office summer hours** are below:  
Sunday – 9am – 12pm, Tuesday – 6:30pm – 8:30pm & Thursday – 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Thank you for your time,    Karen Porter

Here is a Sample Scrip Account over the course of 1 month

<u>Scrip Purchased</u>	<u>\$ Added to Tuition Account</u>
<b>Week 1</b> – Giant (5%)- \$100 – 2 cards Giant (5%)- \$50 – 1 card CVS (6%)- \$25 - 2 cards Lou’s Farm Mart (6%)- \$10 – 3 cards	5% of \$200= \$10, 80% added to acct= \$8 5% of \$50= \$2.50, 80% added to acct= \$2 6% of \$50= \$3.00, 80% added to acct= \$2.40 6% of \$30= \$1.80, 80% added to acct= \$1.44 <b>Total for Week 1 = \$13.84</b>
<b>Week 2</b> - Giant (5%)- \$100 – 2 cards Giant (5%)- \$50 – 1 card Kohl’s (5%)- \$100 – 1 card Barnes & Noble (8%)- \$25 – 2 cards	5% of \$200= \$10, 80% added to acct= \$8 5% of \$50= \$2.50, 80% added to acct= \$2 5% of \$100= \$5, 80% added to acct= \$4 8% of \$50= \$4, 80% added to acct= \$3.20 <b>Total for Week 2 = \$17.20</b>
<b>Week 3</b> - Giant (5%)- \$100 – 2 cards Giant (5%)- \$50 – 1 card AMC (8%)- \$25 – 3 cards Walmart (2.5%)- \$100 – 1 card	5% of \$200= \$10, 80% added to acct= \$8 5% of \$50= \$2.50, 80% added to acct= \$2 8% of \$75= \$6, 80% added to acct= \$4.80 2.5% of \$100=\$2.50, 80% added to acct= \$2 <b>Total for Week 3 = \$16.80</b>
<b>Week 4</b> - Giant (5%)- \$100 – 2 cards Giant (5%)- \$50 – 1 card Panera Bread (9%)- \$10 – 4 cards Chili’s (11%)- \$25 – 4 cards	5% of \$200= \$10, 80% added to acct= \$8 5% of \$50= \$2.50, 80% added to acct= \$2 9% of \$40= \$3.60, 80% added to acct= \$2.88 11% of \$100= \$11, 80% added to acct= \$8.80 <b>Total for Week 4 = \$21.68</b>

The total \$’s put into your Scrip account over the course of a month is **\$69.52**, over the course of a year is **\$834.24**, that’s money that is completely **free**, you received it just for shopping at the stores you shop at every week to provide food and clothing and entertainment for your family!

\*\*\*\*Please note that the % changes for some cards throughout the year, for example, Giant is always 5% but Chili’s % fluctuates between 10% and 19%. The Scrip office never knows what the % will be until the inventory is received and added to our computer. This is noted on the In Stock list and Special Order list.\*\*\*\*

WE HAVE ADDED A FEW NEW RETAILERS TO OUR “IN STOCK” LIST, SEE BELOW:

- THREE MONKEYS CAFÉ 10%**
- BENSALEM BEER 5%**
- FLYNN & O’HARA 10%**
- JOE SANTUCCI’S 20%**

