

Scrip Information

What is Scrip?

Scrip is a nationwide fund-raising opportunity for non-profit groups like St. Gabriel's Parish to receive a percentage of sales from purchases made with gift certificates or gift cards from a variety of department stores, grocery stores, restaurants, fast-food places, and gas stations.

How does it work?

It's simple! You buy a gift certificate or gift card for a grocery store, gas station, department store, or restaurant where you would normally spend money. Then you use that gift certificate or card instead of cash or a check to pay for your groceries, fill up your gas tank, stock up on household needs, or enjoy a meal out.

How does the Parish make a profit?

Each retailer sells the gift certificates and gift cards to participating groups at a discount ranging from 2 - 20%. Groups like St. Gabriel then sell the certificates at face value and keep the difference as profit. When you purchase Scrip gift certificates there is *no extra cost to you*. This is money you would normally spend anyway.

Can you give an example?

Yes. If you normally spend \$50 each week on groceries, you would stop in the parish office or at the Scrip table at mass this weekend and buy \$50 worth of gift cards to Pick 'n Save or Copps, or order Scrip for Woodmans, Festival Foods, or Piggly Wiggly. You can also buy Scrip in stock to fill up your gas tank at Express Gas and Kwik Trip, or order Scrip for BP, Shell, and Exxon/Mobil.

Which retailers participate in Scrip?

Check the Scrip order form to see which retailers participate in Scrip. The ones that are starred (*) are kept in stock and are available to purchase after mass on weekends or in the parish office during the week. All other Scrip can be ordered. Simply drop your pre-paid order off in the parish office by Wednesday afternoon at 4PM and pick it up the next week on Thursday afternoon, Friday, or at the weekend masses.

How else do people use Scrip?

Many people buy a \$25 Shopko gift card and use it when making purchases at Shopko. The register scans your card and deducts the amount of your purchase. The card is then returned to you with the balance noted for use the next time you shop at Shopko. Others use Scrip gift certificates to pay off balances on their Kohls Department store charge card. Charge your purchases when shopping at Kohl's and then when you receive your bill simply buy or order Scrip in the amount you would like to pay on your account. Be sure to pay your bill in person - don't send Scrip certificates through the mail!

Another idea is to purchase Scrip gift certificates for restaurants or fast food places. We have gift certificates in stock for Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Applebees, and Naut's Landing as well as McDonalds, Burger King, Subway, Starbucks, Culvers, Dairy Queen, Pizza Hut, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and many others. Buy a gift certificate for yourself and treat yourself to dinner or keep them on hand for a quick meal on a busy day. They also make great gifts, and you don't have to run all over town to pick them up. You can do one-stop shopping at the Scrip table after mass on the weekend or in the parish office during the week. Make Scrip work for you!!

Please buy Scrip today!

If you have any questions about this program stop at the Scrip table after mass, ask in the parish office, or call Karen Rappl @ 725-2433.