



# What is Scrip?

Scrip is Fundraising While You Shop®. This amazingly successful fundraising program has been working for the schools in our Diocese for over twenty years! Scrip has the potential of turning everyday shopping into cash for St. Anne's when families use retail gift cards to pay for everyday purchases (such as gasoline, groceries, restaurants, and department stores) instead of the usual credit/debit card or cash. The best news is that there is no cost to our families!

## How It Works ...

**Good news: It's really simple! Here are the basics of the Scrip Program:**

- Families purchase retail gift cards and e-gift cards through our Scrip program at face value.
- You can choose from nearly 750+ national retail stores where you already shop. A full list is available at [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com)
- Purchases can be made using credit cards (3% fee), bank account (0.15% fee) or cash/check (given to the Scrip Coordinator).
- St. Anne's Scrip Coordinator will process your order and purchase the gift cards at 1-13% less than face value (varies by retailer).
- The difference between face value and what our school pays = our earnings!

**Here's an Example ...**

Mrs. Smith needs gardening supplies, so she buys a \$100 Home Depot® gift card for \$100 through [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) (each family registers using the Enrollment Code for St. Anne: **2L18E7A373666**). By making this one purchase, Mrs. Smith has earned \$4.00 for our school because Home Depot gift cards are available through [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) at 4% less than face value. When Mrs. Smith makes her purchases at Home Depot, she pays with her gift card instead of using cash or a credit/debit card! She will do the same when she needs cleaning supplies at Target®, and earns \$2.50 just by using a \$100 Target gift card to pay for her purchases. Of course, gift cards are available in smaller denominations too.

# Why Scrip is Better

A General Observation: The more we use Scrip, the more profits there will be to cover the miscellaneous out-of-budget improvements and costs for our school. Other than some advanced planning, **there are no costs to our families**. The Scrip Program is a great way to raise additional funds for the school, without excessive tuition increases, or having to ask all of us to get involved in one labor intensive fund-raiser after another.

The benefits of using this program to place your Scrip orders include:

1. Having the Scrip you wish to purchase available when you need it. **You do not need to pay for your Scrip online. Orders can always be paid for at school using cash, checks, debit cards, and credit cards.**
2. Taking advantage of all of the monthly specials (and higher) rebate offers.
3. Placing orders using the added options of e-gift cards and reloadable Scrip.
4. When ordering on-line your orders can be filled quickly and efficiently.
5. Being able to track your rebate total at any time.

Profit Distribution of Scrip:

Teacher/Staff Purchases: One hundred percent (100%) of all profits made from the purchase of Scrip by the school's teachers and/or staff members will go directly to their classes or work areas.

Parent Purchases: Twenty percent (20%) of all profits from the purchase of Scrip by parents/guardians will go directly to their children's classroom. This will enable teachers to purchase additional resources, materials, incentives, and plan field trips, etc. (over and above what is provided for within the official tuition-supported school budget).

Balance of Profits: The balance of profits from all Scrip purchases will be used to acquire teaching materials and equipment, sponsor programs and activities and make physical plant improvements that are not provided for in the regular school budget. Should there ever be a significant surplus profit, it will be used to augment the school-operating budget.

As this is an introduction to the program, we are asking all of our families to voluntarily participate. **In future years**, we envision the following requirements as is customary at our Catholic schools.

Basic Requirements:

Each family is asked to provide a minimum profit of \$200. from all purchases of Scrip, beginning in July and ending in June.

Buy Out (Cash):

If you choose not to participate in the Scrip program, you are asked to pay a \$300.00 surcharge per year, which represents profits to the school from participation in the Scrip Program.

## How to Purchase Scrip:

Scrip is to be purchased through [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). The Enrollment Code for St. Anne is: **11F8CCDL73666**. Additional information and updates regarding the Scrip program will also be included on the home page of our web-site.

The Scrip program has been invaluable to many of our Catholic schools – allowing for the purchase of materials and teaching resources, along with establishing additional programs, activities, and field trip opportunities. Over the years, Scrip has impacted the operating budget for schools and eliminated large increases in tuition fees. The use of Scrip merely requires advanced planning by our families.

**Please remember 20% of your Scrip rebate goes directly to our children’s classrooms!**

