



Tuesday News

St. Hilary of Poitiers School Weekly Newsletter

December 5, 2023



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BREAKING NEWS



- ★ **Reminder NO SCHOOL Friday, Dec 8th Holy Day of Obligation Mass 7pm Vigil, 8am, 10am.**
- ★ Get your **CYO Holiday Shopping Raffle** tickets. See flyer below.
- ★ The Christmas Festival is this **Saturday, December 9** after the 5 pm Mass. Volunteer to help through the sign up genius link below.
- ★ Reminder that the **Christmas Program** is Thursday, December 21st at 6 PM

- Dec 6** Advent Prayer Service
Gettysburg Trip - Grade 8
Knitting Club
- Dec 8** Feast of Immaculate Conception
NO SCHOOL
- Dec 9** Christmas Festival
- Dec 12** Manor Visit - Grade 5
- Dec 13** Taize Prayer Service
- Dec 15** EDGE Meeting
- Dec 22** Pastors Holiday - NO School
- Dec 23- Jan 2** Christmas Holiday



**Mark your Calendar - Pastors Holiday
December 22nd - NO School**



SHS Christmas Festival

This Saturday, December 9th at 6 PM

Upcoming Christmas Festival Reminders

- *The Christmas Festival is this Saturday! This is a very fun, festive event! Please consider volunteering your time to make it a success!*
- *We are still actively seeking sponsorships and raffle baskets for the Festival. There is a new sponsorship level, Silver, so please check it out (Information below)!*
- *All Bake Sale items can be sent into school on **Thursday 12/7** or **dropped off at the Parish Center on 12/8**. Please be sure that the items are labeled indicating what it is, and child's name/grade for a Dress Down Day.*
- *Please drop off all gingerbread house competition entries on Saturday **12/9 to the Parish Center between 1-3pm**.*
- *A limited number of poinsettia and wreaths will be available for purchase at the Festival.*
- *Christmas Raffle Tickets went home yesterday and are due this **Thursday, 12/7**. They will be sold at the Christmas Festival too.*

1 for \$10 & 3 for \$25. Cash or check.

****Prizes are \$1000, \$300, \$200. Winner drawn at Christmas Festival. ****

We Need Your Help to make this event a success.

PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4FA5A623ABFB6-46136327-shschristmas#/>

We are very proud to announce that Laila M. has been named a Neumann Scholar by the Connelly Foundation. The Connelly Foundation provides the recipients with a four year scholarship to any Philadelphia Archdiocesan high school. Congratulations Laila!



A Thank You message from our Food Donations....

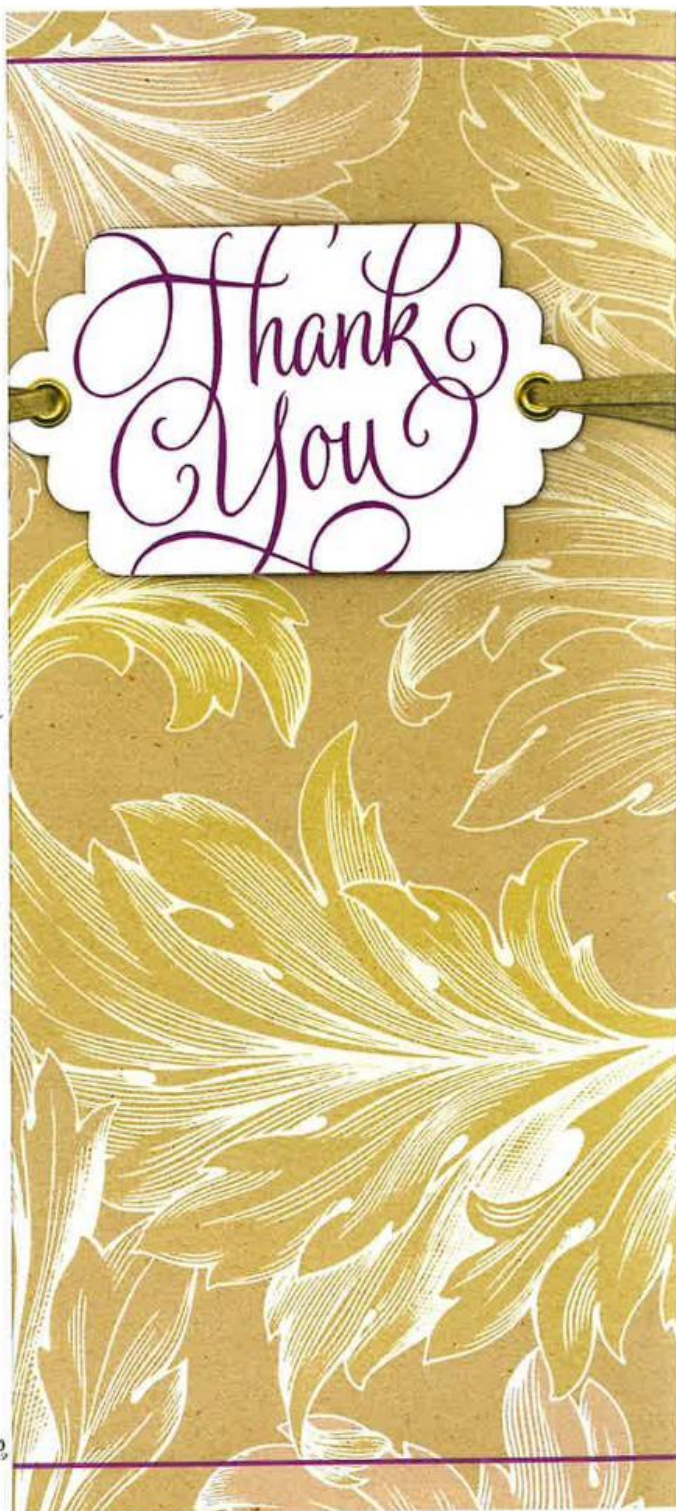
...for everything!!!

Dearest Everyone at your
WONDERFUL SCHOOL,

I cannot begin to thank
you for the ENORMOUS
amount of food you donated
to our food pantry!!!

And you EVEN DELIVERED it!!
As I was sorting and storing
everything, it seemed as if there
were no end!! I (WE) have
NEVER received such a huge
and wonderful amount of food!!!

May the dear Lord
bless ALL of you (and your
parents) for your kindness and
generosity - a million times over!!!
With loads of prayers,
Sister Monica (and, Teodora),
OSBM





2023 Christmas Show - December 11th

We are excited to announce our 2023 Christmas show. The show will be featuring the students from our school, along with the students from Saint Cecilia's.

The children will be backed up by members of the Philadelphia Orchestra, who play in a fabulous band called the Depue Brothers. Also, backing up the children will be Dave Noble, former lead singer with the Trammps, and Gloria Galante. Gloria is the harp professor at West Chester University.

It is our hope that by observing, and performing with these world class musicians, our students will be inspired to new heights on their musical Journey. This show should be a musical high point of the season.

**The location is at Saint Cecilia elementary school auditorium,
528 Rhawn Street Philadelphia Pa, 19111
Show starts at 7:00 pm.**

Tickets are \$25.00, children under 18 are free.

Tickets can be purchased at:
<https://jesse-music-llc.ticketleap.com/2023>

We are looking forward to a tremendous Christmas show that will be remembered for years to come.



St. Hilary of Poitiers School

Notes From Mrs. Fagan

December 5, 2023



Happy Advent!

During this Advent Season, The St. Hilary School Community is opening the door of LOVE to others. We are practicing how our actions of kindness, the sharing of our talents, and service brings LOVE to others!

Thank you for joining the SHS School Community in bringing the Love the Christ Child into our homes this Advent Season. Please join us for Mass on Saturday evening at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12:00 PM. The joy of Our Lord's Mercy can be experienced in the Sacrament of Penance on Saturdays at 4 PM and Sunday after the 10 AM Mass. This Advent Season spend time with Our Lord on Mondays for Adoration. Our Lord has much to say to us!

THANK YOU!!!

RACE FOR EDUCATION WAS A GRAND SUCCESS!

WOW!!!

We surpassed our challenge goal of \$25,000 to raise over \$44,000!

We are very grateful for the enthusiastic response from students, faculty, parents, grandparents, parishioners, and many donors! Many of our classes had 100 % participation!!

Thank you also to our students, teachers, and volunteers! We extend our deepest gratitude to Mrs. Teresa Lon for making our Race Day a day full of excitement and fun and for her dedication to Race for Education!

A great time was enjoyed by all on Race Day!! We continue to celebrate with our prizes!

Thank you to all our school and parish families for your support!

Safe Environment Requirements for Volunteers

All volunteers who may have any possible contact with children in a parish/school function, or a function that takes place on school or parish property, must have official paperwork filed with the parish office.

Complete the following items and send them to the Rectory for Filing. Our School and Students THANK YOU for taking the time to Volunteer.

1. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT PART 1: PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS**

REGISTRATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Go to website: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=0

- Scroll down to find all available Sessions and then register accordingly.
- It'll give you all the sites for the Safe Environment sessions; pick one and then register accordingly

Look out for more ONLINE or LOCAL CLASSES

2. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT PART 2: MANDATORY REPORTING OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE**

(must be completed online)

REGISTRATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Go to website: <https://childyouthprotection.org>

- Click on “Training Institute” tab
- Register
- You’ll get an email to get into the training
- Click onto the email to do the training
- At the end, you’ll be able to print off a Mandated Reporter certificate – bring to Rectory

3. **PA STATE POLICE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK** - (renewable every 5 years)

- Go to <https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp>

4. **PA CHILD ABUSE HISTORY CLEARANCE** - (renewable every 5 years)

- Go to <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>

5. **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTEERS**

(if Pennsylvania resident for 10 continuous years)

- See attached Disclosure Statement for signature

December Prayer Partner Activity

RESPECT for OTHERS

The children read : *A Little Respectful Spot* by Dianne Alber

▶ Story Time with Lynn "A Little Respectful Spot"

- Each student completed a color by number page. Older students helped with reading and understanding each example on the handout.
- Each partnership created one Acrostic poem using the word RESPECT. Older students took the lead on this activity.

Example:

R - Respond politely

E - Ears set to "listening"

S - Stay focused

P - Prove ideas

E - Express your opinions

C - Complete your assignments

T - Take turns

These poems will be shared on WSHS during the month of December. During these difficult times in our society, it is so important to keep **RESPECT** alive and well in our daily lives. As adults, we need to model **RESPECT** for our children in our words and actions in every moment of every day.

This is our mission ...to live in PEACE with one another. Jesus came to teach us how to live this mission. Let us follow Him together.

May PEACE BE WITH YOU!





As we continue to reach out to our
brothers and sisters in Germantown, at
Face to Face,
We are asking each family
in our St. Hilary School Community
to send in an item on their
WISH LIST...

A Pair of WARM WINTER GLOVES!!!
You will be giving the the
GIFT of Warmth
as we celebrate the
Birth of Jesus
Who taught us
the Gift of GIVING!!!



ALL GIFTS need to be here by: 12/15/23
God Bless us, everyone!!!



December Lunch Menu



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 Tater Tots \$3	5 French Toast Sticks \$3	6 Chicken Nuggets \$3	7 Pizza \$2	8 NO School
11 Tater Tots & Chicken Tenders \$3	12 Mozzarella Sticks \$3	13 Hot Dog \$2	14 Chicken Nuggets \$3	15 Pizza \$2
18 Chicken Noodle Soup \$3	19 Chicken Quesadillas \$3	20 French Toast Sticks \$3	21 Chicken Nuggets \$3	22 Pizza \$2

Christmas Program 2023

Thursday,
December 21st
6:00 PM

Grade 8 will follow their own directions.

Pre K through Grade 7 need to be back to school by 5:45PM

Pre K and K, Gr 1 and 2 ... teachers will let parents know what attire they are to wear.

Grades 3 through 7 will wear full Winter Uniforms

We look forward to being with you as we tell the story of the Birth of Jesus



CYO CORNER

Welcome to the return of the CYO Corner for the Winter sport season! We are excited for another CYO season.

As the season kicks off, we would like to start with a call to all parents. If you take any action/team photos during the year and want them featured in the CYO Corner, please forward the photo(s) to your coach so that we can do our best to highlight all of the teams/athletes each week.

SCOREBOARD

Varsity Girls

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/2/2023	12:10pm	St. Luke	Abington JHS (Court A)	L 10-51
12/10/2023	6:30pm	St. Albert	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-

Varsity Boys

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/3/2023	6:30pm	St. Albert	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	L 8-31
12/10/2023	5:15pm	St. Alphonsus	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-

JV Girls - 6th Grade

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/2/2023	3:40pm	St. Luke	Abington JHS (Court A)	L 8-28
12/10/2023	2:45pm	OLGC	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-

JV Boys - 6th Grade

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/10/2023	4:00pm	St. Alphonsus	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-
12/16/2023	1:00pm	OLGC	Our Lady of Good Counsel Gym	-

JV Girls - 5th Grade

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/3/2023	1:30pm	St. Genevieve	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	L 19-23
12/9/2023	4:00pm	St. Genevieve	Erdenheim Elementary	-

JV Boys - 5th Grade

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
12/3/2023	12:15pm	St. Genevieve	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	L 19-22
12/4/2023	6:15pm	St. Genevieve	Enfield ES	W 23-19
12/9/2023	3:15pm	St. Alphonsus	St. Alphonsus Gym	-

Novice Boys

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score
1/6/2024	10:50am	Nativity	Nativity of Our Lord Gym [Full Court]	-
1/21/2024	1:30pm	OMC	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-
1/21/2024	2:45pm	OLGC	Abington Friends [Triangle Gym]	-





Saint Hilary of Poitiers CYO Holiday Shopping Raffle Tickets \$10 Each 3 for \$25 Drawing 12/10/23

Win \$500 in Gift Cards!!!!

Best Buy 50.00	Visa 50.00
Target 50.00	Whole Foods 50.00
Kohls 50.00	Amazon 50.00
Barnes & Noble 50.00	Starbucks 25.00
GAP/Banana Republic 50.00	Ulta 50.00
Dunkin Donuts \$25.00	

Send cash or check (Payable to Saint Hilary CYO) to Jill Landgrebe % Ryan Grade 5. Tickets will also be available at the SHS Christmas Festival

CYO

Holiday Shopping Raffle

Name: _____

Number of tickets: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please return to Jill Landgrebe, % Ryan Grade 5



SHS CHRISTMAS

festival

December 9th

SAVE-THE-DATE
ST. HILARY OF POITIERS
2023 CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH
6:00-8:00PM

CELEBRATE THE START OF THE
CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH...



LIVE NATIVITY



PICTURES WITH SANTA
SECRET SANTA SHOP

FOOD

MUSIC

GAMES

BAKE SALE

CASH AND BASKET RAFFLES
AND MORE!



St. Hilary of Poitiers Catholic School

920 Susquehanna Road
Rydal, PA 19046

Dear Community Partner,

We are excited to share that the St. Hilary of Poitiers Christmas Festival will be held on Saturday, December 9th. This is one of the highlights of the St. Hilary community, and we are looking forward to holding one of the biggest and best festivals yet. In the past, we have hosted more than 400 attendees

In order to continue growing our festival and the number of people we reach, we have enjoyed engaging with partners in the community to spread the word about our event, support the event, and conversely allow a way to generate new interest and awareness of our community partners' businesses.

With that, we invite you to consider sponsoring the St. Hilary of Poitiers Christmas Festival this year. For inclusion on our sponsor banner, please contact us by Friday, November 24th. Our recommended sponsorship levels are:

- Naming Sponsor for \$1,000 - Special recognition at the Festival - Complimentary access for 8 to activities
- Gold Sponsor for \$500 - Special recognition at the Festival - Complimentary access for 4 to activities
- Red and White Sponsor for \$250 - Special recognition at the Festival - Complimentary access for 2 to activities
- Silver Sponsor for \$100 - Complimentary access for 2 to activities
- Raffles and Baskets - Gifts in kind to add to our Raffle/Basket table

Thank you for considering supporting our community and one of our most important events. I know through my own business' participation that this is a great way to support and engage current and future customers.

We can be reached at the information below. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

SHS Home and School Association Co-Presidents

Allyson McCreery-Burton 267-664-3755
mccreerya@arcadia.edu

Teresa Lon 215-873-5342
teresalon3@gmail.com

Accredited by the Middle States Association, Commission of Elementary Schools

Phone 215.887.4520 | Fax 215.887.6337 | www.sainthilaryschool.com

CALL FOR DONATIONS!

**WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR
OUR SHS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL BAKE
SALE AND GIFT BASKET RAFFLE!
PLEASE SEND/DROP OFF ALL DONATIONS
TO SHS BY THURSDAY, 12/7!
ALL BAKE SALE ITEMS MUST BE
INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED AND LABELED.**



PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME
TO GET A SHS DRESS-DOWN DAY!



GINGERBREAD

COMPETITION AT SHS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

PLEASE DROP OFF ALL ENTRIES
TO THE PARISH CENTER ON
12/9 BETWEEN 1-3PM
PLEASE LABEL ALL ENTRIES
ALL COMPONENTS MUST BE
EDIBLE, EXCLUDING BASE



SHS Christmas Festival Raffle Tickets

First prize: \$1,000

Second prize: \$300

Third prize: \$200

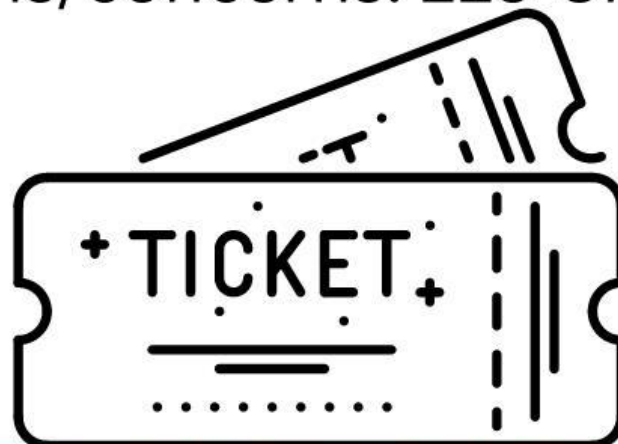
Tickets are 1 for \$10 each or 3 for \$25.

Thank you for supporting
the SHS Christmas Festival!!

Please return ticket stubs/cash
(and any unsold tickets) to

Molly Lon (8th grade) by December 7th

Please text Teresa Lon with
questions/concerns: 215-873-5342





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Dear Parents,

Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, our school is partnering with Weis Markets in their annual Weis 4 School program. Register your Weis Rewards card online at weis4school.com. By participating in this program, we can earn money for our school by simply shopping. Once you register, you're in the program and you do not need to register again this school year. Please share this information with your friends and family. The more interest and enthusiasm we generate, the greater the benefits to our school.

Thank you for your support.

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LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

LOOK
FOR THE
LABEL:



HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



BUY BOX TOPS PRODUCTS

You can find Box Tops on hundreds of products throughout the store.



SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

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SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES ONLINE?

You can still earn Box Tops for your school with your e-receipt!
See how at [BTFE.com/emailgroceryreceipts](https://www.btfec.com/emailgroceryreceipts)



BOX TOPS CLIPS

You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. **You can still clip them and send them to school**, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT
THE BOX TOPS APP AT [BTFE.COM](https://www.btfec.com)

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS
APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:



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What is Scrip Fundraising?

Scrip is fundraising while you shop! You buy gift cards for over 780 retailer brands you already shop at and earn a rebate on every gift card you purchase at face value. That rebate goes right to our organization, and we can divvy up the earnings however we see fit, including giving a portion back to you!

How it Works

We run our scrip program through ShopWithScrip.com, who has worked with over 30,000 nonprofit organizations over the course of 23 years. You'll need to sign up and create an account to order online.

Creating an Account

- You register online by going to www.ShopWithScrip.com and clicking Get Started.



- Click Join Your Program, and enter our enrollment code which will link your account to our organization.

ENROLLMENT CODE: 6E5452746187



- Fill out the required information and click Register. You'll answer two challenge questions and provide answers.

- Then you'll be ready to order online and earn!

JOINING OUR SCRIP PROGRAM



Potential Earnings with Scrip

For your first order, you might just purchase scrip for your gas and groceries. Once you get used to it, though, you can earn on every section of your budget, including: dining out, shopping, home improvement, and travel and vacations.

Look at what you could earn:

ITEM	AVERAGE REBATE	SPENDING PER MONTH	EARNINGS PER YEAR
GROCERIES	4%	\$335	\$160
FOOD OUT: CASUAL AND FAST FOOD	8%	\$250	\$240
GAS	3%	\$175	\$60
ENTERTAINMENT	5%	\$240	\$140
CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	9%	\$150	\$170
HOME IMPROVEMENT	4%	\$150	\$70
VACATIONS	6%	\$330	\$240
TOTAL		\$1,300 per month	\$1,080 per year!

Numbers based on national averages for a family of four.

Scrip Products



Physical Gift Cards — These are the same gift cards you get at the store. Use them instead of cash or a credit card!



Reload and ReloadNow® — Some physical gift cards are available for either Reload or ReloadNow. Register an eligible gift card you purchased from ShopWithScrip and add funds to it when the balance is running low. Funds will be added overnight for cards that offer Reload, and instantly for ones that offer ReloadNow when you pay with PrestoPay™.



ScripNow® — ScripNow is an eCard that you can buy and receive instantly. You can print off ScripNow, or redeem it on your mobile device for certain retailers. They are immediately available when you pay with PrestoPay.

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MyScripWallet™ — MyScripWallet is ShopWithScrip's mobile website that you can use to order ScripNow, Reload, and ReloadNow on-the-go. It's perfect for adding funds to your gas card or for ordering ScripNow during an unexpected dinner out!

To go mobile, go to www.MyScripWallet.com on your web browser on your phone and log in with your ShopWithScrip account. You have to be signed up for PrestoPay, then you can order ScripNow, Reload, and ReloadNow and redeem eCards right from your phone!

You can even add MyScripWallet to your home screen:

- Google Chrome: open the options menu , then select Add to Home Screen
- Safari: Click  on the bottom of the screen, then Add to Home Screen, then Add



PrestoPay™. PrestoPay is ShopWithScrip's online payment system that you can use for a convenience fee of \$0.15 per order. When you use PrestoPay, your order payment is transferred securely via the electronic debit of your checking or savings account, and your orders will process faster than if you paid by check. You can't link PrestoPay to a credit card as credit cards charge costly fees that would take a portion of earnings away from our organization.

Enrolling in PrestoPay:

- Login to your ShopWithScrip account and click on PrestoPay under Family Functions.
- Enter your checking and general information.
- Two small deposits will be added to your checking account within two days of entering your information to verify your account.
- Enter these two deposits on ShopWithScrip under PrestoPay, and then select a 4-digit PIN.
- Then you're verified, and you'll get an approval code that you need to send to your coordinator!

Next Steps

Want to learn more about our scrip fundraiser? Contact our coordinator, Ellen Romano, at 215-663-0691, or by email at cardiofool@me.com.

Have a question for ShopWithScrip? Give them a call at 1-800-727-4715, option 3, or send them an email at shopwithscrip@glscrp.com.

JOINING OUR SCRIP PROGRAM



Safe Environment Requirements for Volunteers

All volunteers who may have any possible contact with children in a parish/school function, or a function that takes place on school or parish property, must have official paperwork filed with the parish office. As a result of the new Harrisburg laws, please read carefully, as the requirements have changed. All volunteers must have all clearances before they begin volunteering – no provisional status.

- ☐ Criminal Record Check – Can be filed online at <https://epatch.state.pa.us/>. This clearance for volunteers is now free. *This must be renewed every five years.*
- ☐ PA Child Abuse History – Can now be filed online at <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>. Select "individual account." You will have to create an ID and then receive a temporary password, then log back in to create a new password. This clearance is now free for volunteers. *This must be renewed every five years.*
- ☐ Disclosure Statement – Volunteers who have been a PA resident for 10 consecutive years must sign and witness this disclosure (any adult can witness) and return to the parish office. Forms available in the parish office or at: <http://childyouthprotection.org/docs/disclosure%20statement%20volunteers.pdf>
- ☐ Federal Criminal History Report (FBI-Fingerprinting) – Volunteers who have not been a PA resident for 10 consecutive years must also be fingerprinted. Applicant must register prior to going to the fingerprint site at: www.pa.cogentid.com. Complete instructions are available on the website. *This must be renewed every five years until volunteer reaches 10 yr. residency in PA. Unfortunately, this is not free. Once you receive your clearance in the mail, please drop off a copy at the parish office.*

REQUIRED TRAININGS: (Must be completed within 90 days from start date):

- ☐ Protecting God's Children Safe Environment Training – applicant must register prior to the training at www.virtus.org. There is no cost for the training. Create a log-in and password; go to "find session" to register.
 - ☐ Standards of Ministerial Behavior – After the completion of the Safe Environment training, the attendee is asked to sign a form that must be on file at the parish office. The Archdiocese also sends a certificate of completion card to the parish office.
- ☐ Information and Technology Addendum – If you attended the Protecting God's Children Safe Environment Training before July 1, 2011, you will have to review the materials at http://childyouthprotection.org/docs/3.28_Addendum_to_Standards.pdf, then sign the acknowledgement form (attached) and return to the parish office.
- ☐ Mandatory Reporter Training – this is an online training session at <https://learning.childyouthprotection.org/login/index.php>. For all staff and volunteers, the Mandated Reporter Training must be done through the Archdiocesan training on the website (or if you attended an Archdiocesan training session in 2011); any other training will be not be accepted.
 - ☐ Please note that if you began service before December 2011, but did not attend the Mandated Reporter training, you are out of compliance and must complete the online training. Volunteers will need to contact the parish office to learn the level of service they are permitted to provide until the online training has been completed.

For complete information on all requirements and trainings, go to: <http://childyouthprotection.org/>