

St. *Philomena* School
Informing, forming and transforming each child.

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Welcome Back!!

St. Philomena is planning to hold their 23rd Annual Dinner Auction, and we are hopeful that this year can be just as successful as past years even though the committee will be making some pretty substantial changes. But, change can be a good thing! The current plan is to host a small, sit-down dinner at the Parish Center on Saturday, November 14th. We will offer both a silent and live auction as we have in the past, but the auction will now be online. This will allow for everyone in our community to bid on items whether they can attend the event or not.



This year, more than ever, our school and our staff will need the support for all of the added services and responsibilities due to COVID. That said, we also know that this year has been very difficult for members of our parish, school and community. We want to be conscientious about donation asks not be insensitive to these hardships. Our hope is that parishioners comfortable with giving will do so as they have in the past, and we want to emphasize that no gift is too small. Skills, time, talents, and services are just as valuable as tangible items to help offset the overwhelming challenges that our school and community are facing.

amazonsmile Our acquisition chairs have put together two lists of donation options at all different price points. The first link is an Amazon Smile list that provides a large range of donation ideas based on historically popular items. And because it's a "Smile" account, a portion of items purchased goes directly back to St. Philomena! When making your purchase, please choose "Other Address - Rachel Kress Gift Registry Address" when selecting an address. It will be shipped directly to our chair. A few higher priced items will not allow for this option. Please ship to your home and arrange for a drop-off with the chairs.

[2020 St. Philomena Auction List](#)

The second link is a gift card list. This list will be added to and revised as needed. If you are a SPS family and have a business that sells gift cards, please email saramdavis@yahoo.com to be added. We would love to support you through gift card purchases to be sold at face value at the auction. Remember to purchase select cards from Scrip!

[St. Philomena 2020 Auction Gift Card List](#)

All questions can be directed to Sara McKee saramdavis@yahoo.com and Rachel Kress at rachel.a.kress@gmail.com. Thank you so much for your support. It's going to be a great year! Paws Up!!