

# St. Mary's School Supplies Collection

**Only God knows where a positive attitude about school will lead...**

Many families do not have the means to buy their children school supplies. The School Supplies Collection is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the life of a student as he or she begins a new academic year. Your donation may help boost an impoverished child's self esteem and help restore his or her dignity in the classroom. *Only God truly knows how a love of learning could change a child's life!* It may well be the first step out of lifelong poverty. Your charity gives hope to these special children for a brighter future!

**You can donate to our School Supplies Collection in three ways:**

1. Adopt a student from our list of needy children by signing up after any of the Masses on Saturday, August 2nd or Sunday, August 3rd. Purchase a backpack and have fun with your family filling it with grade appropriate supplies (see back of flyer). All backpacks must be securely labeled with the student's name tag and returned to the Parish Center as soon as possible or no later than 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 10th so that they can be delivered to the students in time for the first day of school.

**THANKS!**

2. Donate any school supply item by placing it in the decorated box in the foyer of the Parish Center before Labor Day. If it is on your school supplies' list, a poor child needs one too! Suggestions are also printed on the back of this flyer. These school supplies will be given to social workers, teachers, counselors, schools, agencies and organizations to be distributed to the needy students they serve. **THANKS!**

3. No time to shop? Write a check payable to St. Mary's with "School Supplies" in the memo line and give it to the receptionist at the Parish Center. These funds will be used to purchase additional backpacks and school supplies needed to fill the many requests made to our parish. **THANKS!**

*May God continue to abundantly bless your generosity! (Over)*



## SUGGESTIONS FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The following lists are only intended to give you an idea of what a student in a particular grade might need. Enjoy personalizing your adopted student's backpack or selecting items to donate to the general collection! THANKS!

### Pre-School - Grade 3

Backpack	Crayons	Magic Markers/broad tip
Pencil Box (plastic)	White Glue	Drawing Paper
#2 Pencils	Scissors/blunt tip	Construction Paper
Composition Notebook	Pocket Folders	Primary Tablet

### Grades 4 - 6

Backpack	#2 Pencils	Compass/Protractor
Pencil Case (zippered)	Pens (blue/ black)	Spiral Notebooks, wide ruled
Scissors (that cut easily)	Red Pens	Loose Leaf Paper, wide ruled
Erasers	Crayons	Composition Notebook
White Glue/Glue Stick	3-Ring Binder, 1 inch	Pocket Folders
Ruler	Subject Dividers	Magic Markers/fine line
Colored Pencils		

### Grades 7 – 12

Sturdy Backpack	Magic Markers/fine line	Ruler
Pens (blue or black)	Colored Pencils	Graph Paper
3-Ring Binder, 2 inch	Thesaurus	Spiral Notebooks, college ruled
Subject Dividers	Dictionary	Loose Leaf Paper, college ruled
Pencil Case (zippered)	Hi-Liters	#2 Pencils
Protractor/Compass	Calculator (Optional)	Glue Stick

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP! ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT GOD WILL SEE TO IT THAT THE SCHOOL SUPPLIES YOU SELECT WILL BE EXACTLY THE ITEMS NEEDED BY THE STUDENTS WE ARE ALL PRIVILEGED TO SERVE. BELIEVE IT!*

For more information, to sign up to adopt a student over the telephone, or to volunteer to help with the St Mary's School Supplies Collection, please contact one of the following volunteers:

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