

# Christmas Bazaar Donation Guidelines 2023

## 2023 Christmas Bazaar Donation Guidelines

**WHAT TO BRING:** general household items, tools, toys, Christmas decorations, handmade items, jewelry, books and raffle prizes.

**Note:** This year, we are in need of tools, sporting goods, outdoor gear, toys, jewelry, handbags, scarves, neckties, jewelry boxes, movies & music (DVDs & CDs only) and books; popular fiction (adventure, historical, crime, romance) books, particularly in paperback format, and history/autobiography books. Cookbooks are also fine, as long as they are from within the past 10 years.

**WHAT IF I'M NOT SURE? Ask yourself: Would I buy this at a bazaar?**

**WHEN TO BRING DONATIONS:** Now through November 7, 2023- Bazaar will take place Saturday, November 18, 2023

### **WHERE TO PUT DONATIONS:**

- ❖ Parish Hall Closet – Please place books in the inner closet. If possible, take all other items upstairs to the attic and place them in the designated locations. **Please do not block the entrance to the book room!**
- ❖ Please place Jewelry in the box in the Narthex closet.

### **HOW TO PREPARE YOUR DONATIONS:**

- Make sure all items are clean and in working order.
- Use boxes that fit the items.
- Soft items or large toys may be put in trash bags.
- Pack glass or breakable items safely.
- For books, use double paper grocery bags or small boxes.
- Box items by category and Label boxes and bags: Toys, White Elephants, Tools, and Christmas decorations so they can be sorted easily.
- Place on the shelves in the parish hall closet. Please be sure that items do not impede access to the stairs and bookshelves.
- New Handmade items are welcome! Mark clearly or bring it to Chatting Fingers Tuesdays from 10 to noon.

**RAFFLE PRIZES:** We need prizes that will attract ticket buyers of all ages. The minimum value of all items is **\$ 75.00**. Ideas include: sporting events, theater or concert tickets, high value new items, an offer of professional services such as decorating a special cake or raking leaves, or detailing a car, or even gift cards! Please contact Stephanie Lightner, [stephanielightner55@gmail.com](mailto:stephanielightner55@gmail.com), or Chris Peck [cmpeck02@verizon.net](mailto:cmpeck02@verizon.net) about your donation.

**NOT SOLD AT THE BAZAAR:** Electronics such as TVs, VCRs, DVD players, computers, printers, Furniture, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Large Handbags.

**LARGE, HEAVY ITEMS:** Please call the church office to make arrangements or email [bazaar@stalbansva.org](mailto:bazaar@stalbansva.org).

**RECEIPTS FOR CHARITABLE DONATIONS:** Are located in the Bazaar closet or by contacting [bazaar@stalbansva.org](mailto:bazaar@stalbansva.org).