


*St. Agatha Catholic School & Parish*  
*Mardi Gras Madness*  
*2012 Annual Auction*  
*Feb 11, 2012*



## **Auction Rules**

### **Registration**

Guests must register at the registration desk and secure a bid number. Only bids by registered bidder numbers will be honored in both the Silent Auction and Oral Auction.

### **Payment**

Anyone bidding, either in the Oral Auction or in the Silent Auction, agrees to pay the amount of their bid if it is determined to be the successful bid, in accordance with the rules concerning payments set forth below.

The account of the successful bidder will be charged and is payable at the end of the auction. **NO PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEFORE 9 P.M. ON AUCTION NIGHT.** One may pay with cash, check, Visa, Discover, MasterCard or American Express. Payment in full must be made the evening of the Auction. Sunday check out is available to school parents only from 10am to 1pm.

All sales are final. There will be no exchanges or refunds except where specified. There will be no extension of expiration dates. There will be no exchanges and refunds are not available on any unused portions of gift certificates.

### **Item Removal / Usage**

All auction items and services must be used within one year of April 10th, 2010, or in accordance with any other specified expiration date.

All items must be removed from St. Agatha Catholic School the night of the Auction. If you are unable to take a large item home in your car, you may pick it up in front of the school between 10am and 1pm on April 11th, 2010. Items may be removed **ONLY** by exhibiting a **PAID** receipt to the Auction staff representative.

Reservations for all trips and vacation homes must be arranged with the donor at a mutually agreed upon date or in accordance with the specified restrictions.


### **Liability**

St. Agatha Catholic School and Parish has endeavored to catalogue and describe the property correctly, but all property is sold "as is" and St. Agatha Catholic School and Parish neither warrants nor represents and in no event is responsible for the correctness of description, genuineness, authorship, or condition of the property. No statement contained in the catalogue or made orally at the sale or elsewhere shall be deemed to be such a warranty, representation, or assumption of liability.


All activities, events, or experiences sold at the Auction are undertaken at the sole risk of the purchaser or any person whom the purchaser may sell, give or assign such rights. It is a condition of any such sale that St. Agatha Catholic School and Parish shall not be liable or responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to any person or property which may arise out of or in connection with any such activity, event, or experience.

Values assigned to Auction items are estimates only and are not warranted by St. Agatha Catholic School or Parish for tax or any other purpose.

St. Agatha Catholic School and Parish reserve the right to withdraw any item prior to actual presentation for bidding at the Auction.



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### **IRS Reminder**

A reminder that the IRS has detailed rules concerning fundraisers and contributions. Please check with your accountant to determine your deductions according to the latest rules. Generally, you may deduct only the amount you pay over the value of the item.

### **Oral Auction Rules**

All successful bidders agree to pay the amount bid for the item.

The Auctioneer will be the final judge of the successful bidder for every item sold in the Oral Auction.

### **Silent Auction Rules**

All items in the Silent Auction have bid sheets attached or affixed nearby. Persons desiring to bid must write their bid number on the bid sheet. Bidders are not required to bid on the next raise; you may jump ahead if you wish.

Each Auction room has its own closing time, which is posted at the entrance to the room. Persons bidding for the Silent Auction items agree that if a subsequent bid is disqualified or otherwise removed from the list for any reason prior to closing of bidding, the last and highest bid on the bid sheet will be deemed the successful bidder.

The closing judge will make the final determination of the successful bidders on all Silent Auction items. Under no circumstances may the bid sheet or display poster be removed except by St. Agatha Catholic School Auction officials.

You may guarantee purchase of any Silent Auction item at any time during the bidding process. Simply place your name and bid number on the "Guaranteed Bid" line at the bottom of the bid sheet. Bidding on that item is then immediately closed.

Payments must be made in accordance with the General Auction Rules listed in the Catalogue.

### **Vatican Bingo**

A \$500 cash prize is available to the person holding the last number drawn in our Vatican Bingo game. During the Silent Auction, the numbers 1 through 75 will be sold for \$20 each. Numbers may be purchased at the Vatican Bingo Board, or upon check-in. As soon as the last number is sold, the numbers will be randomly drawn and "blackened out" on the Bingo board. When only five numbers remain, the holders of those numbers will be given the opportunity to split the pot equally. The decision to split the pot must be unanimous. If not, another number is drawn to eliminate one person. The process continues until those who remain decide to split the pot equally or only one person is left. Good Luck!