

## Christmas Purse Thank You's

Thanks so much for the gift of the Christmas Purse. I was telling on of our new teachers that it's one of the most thoughtful and generous gifts we receive. This year we will take a trip to see our son in Savannah. We are really looking forward to it! I wish you a Merry Christmas and a VERY Happy New Year. **Mary Jane Brezette**

Dear Parents: My family and I thank you so much for the Christmas Purse. We're going to use it for all our Christmas expenses. Merry Christmas!!!!!! With gratitude, **Miguel Oscar**

I continue to be blown away by the kindness and generosity of SRS families and Parents' Club! With a new baby coming in April, the Christmas bonus will help my husband and me to finish outfitting the nursery and prepare for baby's arrival in general. This is a wonderful Christmas surprise; I am so grateful! **Sarah Huffman**

Dear Parents, Your generosity and kindness make such a wonderful difference. I thank you for the new tires on my car and a few special treats for my family to enjoy this holiday season! May His blessings bring joy to your hearts this Christmas **Bernie Marcus**

Dear Parents, Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your incredible generosity! In addition to using this year's Christmas Purse to buy gifts for my daughter, nieces, and nephews, I will be setting a little aside to help defray the cost of some foundation repairs. (North Texas's clay topsoil keeps us on our toes, doesn't it?) God bless you all, and Merry Christmas! **Patty Medaille**

Thank you to all the wonderfully generous families who participated in the Christmas Purse this year! With 3 children in college this year...the Christmas Purse is definitely appreciated. Many **Holiday Blessings** to the Parents and Children of our St. Rita Family! Coach **Ellen Oliver**

Thank you so much for the Christmas purse money. I am going to use some of it for shopping. The rest will be put into savings to help with my trip next spring break with my family to London. **Kendal Sellers**

Dear Parents, WOW! Thank you so much for the Christmas Bonus! It was a busy year for our family..... 3 weddings! I'm thinking you know where my money is going! Merry Christmas and blessings in the New Year! **Carolyn Shaw**

Dear SRS Parents, Thank you so much for your very generous gift. It will help to make Christmas even merrier. I truly appreciate this and all that you do for us throughout the year. I wish you all a blessed and very merry Christmas. **Pam Schulte**

My family and I would like to thank you so much for the Christmas gift. I feel blessed to be part of St. Rita. I enjoy teaching your kids and love them all. I can't ask for better working environment!! Since we have just moved to Texas from Canada. (5 months ago) I am going to use the money to cover some of the expenses for our new house. May God continue to bless you, your families, and everything you touch! Thanks again for your generosity. **Ghada Salsa**

Thank you, parents, for your generosity! I am extremely thankful for the bonus I received as a result of your support of the Christmas purse. We will be traveling to Atlanta to visit my family over the holidays and will use this money toward our airfare. Thank you again and Merry Christmas! **Susan Lynch**

Many thanks for a very generous Christmas Purse!!! This will pay for two tires I had to buy for the car last month and a gift to myself – a new ring! Your thoughtfulness is most appreciated. Thanks so much, **Celeste Mele**

Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness! I will be using the money to help buy my family a few extra items to go under the tree. Merry Christmas! **Cynthia Warren**

Parents' Club Thank you so much for your generous Christmas money. My husband and I just moved into a new house and we raised the ceiling in the family room. Your gift will help me decorate! May you experience the birth of our Savior in a special way this Christmas season. **Roxanne Herwig**

*MIL GRACIAS a todos por su generosidad maravillosa.* (A thousand thanks to everyone for your marvelous generosity.) The Christmas Purse is always a huge blessing at this time of year. I intend to use this gift to purchase a plane ticket to Nicaragua where I look forward to visiting a former St. Rita alum, Monica Wischmeyer. Monica is now a nurse and is spending a year of service in Nicaragua in order to learn more about their local medical practices and to assist where she can in their local hospitals and clinics. I look forward to experiencing Nicaragua for the first time with her as my guide. **Andrea Schweitzer**

Dear St. Rita Parents, It has been a privilege and a pleasure to be a part of the St. Rita Community this year. Thank you for thinking of me during this special Christmas season. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. Sincerely, **Lynette Jackson**

St. Rita Parents, Thank you for the generous gift of the Christmas Purse. It will be very helpful to my family this holiday season. I feel blessed to be a part of St. Rita. Thank you!! **Sheri Lenzen**

Dear SRS Parents, I cannot fully express how grateful I am to receive your generous gift. I feel absolutely blessed to be teaching here at St. Rita. This money will help provide a nice Christmas for my daughter's first Christmas. Thank you so much!! I wish you and your family a very merry Christmas! **Kim Rovegno**

I am grateful every day to be at St Rita. I am going to use my Christmas purse gift to take a needlepoint class this summer. Thank you to the Parents' Club for all you do for our school. Merry Christmas -- **Vicki Morgan** (Pre-K aide)

Dear Parents, Thank you for your overwhelming generosity with the Christmas Purse! My family and I will enjoy using it to create some wonderful holiday memories. Your support, now and throughout the year, make St. Rita a "Dazzling" place to be! **Kerry Franklin**

Dear Parents' Club, A very sincere thank you for the generous Christmas purse. I plan on doing a bit more Christmas shopping for my family with the funds. I feel very blessed to teach in such a supportive and kind community. I hope you and your families have a lovely Christmas! Many appreciations! **Stacy McManus**

Every year I am so humbled by the generosity of St. Rita families. Your gift allows me to give my family an extra special Christmas! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! **Mary Schaffer**

Thank you so much for your kind donation to the Christmas Purse. This money will help get those special presents for my little 2 year old to make her Christmas extra special! **Mrs. Kristina Snyman**

Parents' Club thank you so much for your generosity this year with the Christmas Purse. It is such a blessing to be part of this community. This year my family will be using the Christmas Purse gift to help with college expenses. **Lisa Schrakamp**

Dear Parents, Thank you for the wonderful Christmas bonus. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated. We have two trips to Boston planned for this spring one to see our daughter run the Boston marathon and the other is to attend our son's graduation from Boston College. The money will be used for those trips. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Sincerely, **Jamie Keeley**

Thank you for an unexpected and GENEROUS gift! I am extremely appreciative of the thoughtfulness of the Parents' Club! My husband and I have enjoyed discussing different possibilities for using this wonderful gift. We thought about using it to get the trees trimmed or other household projects, but we decided to use it as a true "gift" for our family. We are using the money to buy a "surprise" gift for each of our three children and for each other. It is so exciting to plan this and we really appreciate the generosity of all the parents at St. Rita. Merry Christmas and THANK YOU! **Erin Pacione**

Dear SRS Parents, Thank you for making our Christmas merry and bright. I'm always amazed by the generosity. This year I know exactly how your gift will be spent and remembered. We just finished our new house and are moving in for the holidays. We have been looking for a dining table to fit twelve. This money will help us make the final payment, and we will be saying blessings every day for SRS parents. Again thank you for this amazing gift. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! **The Robb's Family**

Dear SRS Parents, Once again you have made our Christmases just a little brighter. I'm still not sure what I'm going to do with my Christmas purse. We recently added wood floors so, I may use it for rugs. Then again, I can certainly use a spa day! Either way, I promise it will be put to good use and is deeply appreciated. Thank you for all of the wonderful things you do for us. St. Rita School is the best place to work! **Marjorie Lane**

Thank you so much for the Christmas Purse Donation. This is a true loving and giving community. The money comes at a great time. I will use it to pay for repairs on my car, plus get some work done on the house. What a blessing! Again, thanks to all. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. **Missy Rachuig**

I just can't thank you enough for the very generous Christmas Purse. I'm planning to put it to good use on our latest bathroom remodel. Thank you. You all dig deep and give from very kind hearts. Thanks for ALL that you give... the continued gifts to our classrooms, the many hours you volunteer, and the prayers that we all feel offered up from your hearts on our behalf each day. Thank you for entrusting your children to us. You are beautiful examples of Christ's love. Thank you. **Monica Luisi**

Dear St. Rita Parents, Huge thanks from the Dorsey family for your generous Christmas Purse donation! It is such a blessing to teach here amongst such a loving and caring community, and this gift is indicative of the generosity I see every day! We hope your family continues to draw closer to each other and Our Lord this Holy Season. Merry Christmas! **Darla Dorsey**

Dear Parents, The Christmas Purse was amazing this year! Thank you so much for your generous gift. It is so appreciated. My husband and I plan to use it for our vacation this summer! It will be used to check one more thing off my bucket list! (Last years' went to swimming with dolphins!!) Thanks again! **Teresa Murphy**

Dear Parents' Club, Thank you so much for your incredibly generous Christmas Purse gift! I will be saving that gift to use on my next travels. I am not sure where to yet, but it will be put to good use! I feel so blessed to be welcomed so warmly into this incredible community, and I wish you all a Merry Christmas! **Kaylan Sikkell**

Dear Parents, Thank you so much for the Christmas Purse money! I will enjoy having it to use on any "fun, extra" things I would like to buy! **Maureen Kelly**

Dear Parents: Thank you for your generosity this year. It is always such a special treat to get the Christmas purse from you all and to know that we are appreciated. We appreciate you and your children too! This year's purse is going to be set aside for a special celebration with my family. Thanks again for all you do! **Mary Walters**

Every year I am so grateful for the generosity of our St. Rita parents and this year is no exception. Thank you so much for the Christmas purse money. I am placing it in my travel fund so that I can think about the lovely places I might visit this summer for the rest of the school year! May all of you have a wonderful new year. **Anita Dettmer**

Dear St. Rita Parents, Each year, I am humbled and feel so blessed by your generosity of the Christmas Purse. Thank you so much once again for the wonderful gift you have given us this year. With two girls in college, the expenses are never ending so I know it will be put to good use. Thank you again. **Sonbol Mannas**

Dear St. Rita Parents, Thank you so much for your generous and thoughtful donation to the Christmas Purse. I'm always going home and celebrating Christmas with my family which consists of my mom, six brothers and their wives, four sisters and their husbands, 28 nieces and nephews, 1 great nephew, my husband and little girl! That's just my side of the family! I'm so blessed to have such a huge family to share this wonderful holiday season. I wish you all a very merry and blessed Christmas and a delightful and prosperous New Year! Sincerely, **Lien Tran**

Dear parents, Thank you for your generous Christmas purse. It is really going to help me pay for a new fuel pump and master cylinder for my car! God Bless and have a Merry Christmas! **Mary Meinardus**

Thank you parents, for your overwhelming generosity and contribution to the Christmas Purse. With your assistance, I am able to finish decorating a Pokémon themed bedroom for my oldest daughter. It was the guest room. She currently shares a bedroom with her younger sister but has expressed interest to us about having her own room. I cannot wait to see the expression on her face when she gets to walk in to the "guest room" only to realize it is now her very own big girl room. The biggest challenge will now be keeping her from entering the room until Christmas. Respectfully, **Jackie Grayson**

The generosity of the parents of St. Rita is much appreciated. I will spread the joy by planning a spa day for the mister and me. After spending nearly two weeks playing games such as Monopoly, The Game of Life, and Parcheesi – The Royal Game of India on the floor with our children our backs will need the pampering. Thank you! – **Joanna Bartel**

Dear Parents, Thank you for your generosity this Christmas season! Your gift helps me return East for the holiday...Merry Christmas! **Mr. Wixted**

Thank you so much for all of your generosity in giving to the Christmas purse. I think we will put it in the Disneyland fund! I'll probably spend a little on the side too. You are wonderful to give so much. Merry Christmas to all of you! **Kelly Dickerson**

Thank you for the generous Christmas Purse. My husband and I are planning a trip over Spring Break and this will come in handy for all the extra things we would like to do. I appreciate the generosity of our loving families and all the time you spend planning and making all the extra things for us. Merry Christmas. **Coleen Gorman**

Dear Parents, Wow! I am SO grateful for the check I received for the Christmas Purse. I cannot express how much it meant to me. I have some car repairs that have come up and this money will be incredibly helpful. I am blessed beyond measure to be working at such a wonderful school. Thank you for all you do for us!!!! Merry Christmas! **Julie Van Vickie**

My dear St Rita parents, once again, I thank you for the very generous Christmas Purse that you have given each of us. I used this money, first to purchase Christmas gifts for my grandchildren. Next, I found wonderful, electric fireplace logs for my fireplace. It is totally cool (or should I say, hot!) The logs have flames that flicker and dance very much like a real log fire would, and

the logs also generate heat at the click of a button. Then to complete the allusion, I found a “crackling fire” sound system. I am set, and no scooping and sweeping up ashes! Thank you for this gift and for the gift of time and talent you give to SRS and most importantly, thank you the gift of your student(s) to our school. Lovingly, **Margaret LeBlanc**

Dear Parents, Thank you very much for the generous Christmas purse this year; especially considering the number of teachers!! This extra money will come in most handy to pay for all those unexpected expenses that always seem to come up this time of the year!! It’s really incredible to experience the generosity that y’all are always showing to the teachers. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very happy 2017. Enjoy your break!! **Heather McCord**

Dear Parents Club, Thank you so much for your gift of the Christmas Purse. I come from a large family with many nieces and nephews. Your generous donation helps me buy them gifts that would otherwise make a large dent in my budget. Thank you again and may you have a wonderful holiday season! **Terry Pedevilla**

To Our St. Rita Parents’ Club, Heartfelt thanks for the generous gift of the Christmas Purse! I am touched beyond words. This unexpected gift comes at a wonderful time to assist our family with some unforeseen college expenses. God worked through you to show us His presence! Blessings on you all. You will be in our family prayers during this meaningful and blessed season. **Mindy Hatzmann**

A heartfelt THANK YOU from the **McGoldrick** Family for the amazing Christmas Purse! And breakfast tacos and yummy cinnamon buns and coffee and the beautiful poinsettia...and for your love and support of our school throughout the year. Merry Christmas and many blessings!

Dear St. Rita parents, the generosity of your donation to our staff Christmas purse was very touching. I feel blessed to be a part of the St. Rita community. I was able to use the bonus for a special road trip with my family over the Christmas break. Thank you very much! **Kelly Ramirez**

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness!! Your generous gift will once again allow my daughter to enjoy a wonderful Christmas. I pray that you and your families have a blessed and safe holiday. **Andy Pena**

Heartfelt thanks, parents, for your continued generosity and thoughtfulness. I’m already looking forward to the summer travels that your gift will provide. Bless you for making this possible. **Patty Donovan**

Thank you so much for the generous gift of the Christmas purse. Your gift is going to make a valuable contribution to my family’s holiday as I will use some of it to purchase a camera that desperately needs to be replaced! My sincerest gratitude, **Elvira Sample**

Sincere thanks for your generosity, it truly makes a big difference in my family’s Christmas celebration. **Charlene Silverstein**

Thank you once again, Parents' Club, for being so generous! Your gift always makes Christmas merrier for my family. The rest will be set aside for traveling next summer to Durango! Thank you again and Merry Christmas to all of you! **Mary Mauney**

Dear St. Rita Parents, Thank you so much for the Christmas Bonus. I am delighted to work at such a wonderful school with such gracious parents. Merry Christmas! **Susan Gutierrez**

Dear Parents' Club, Thank-you so much for the generous Christmas gift. We will be looking forward to some much needed days at Grandma's. My husband and I are able to drop off our son and head out for a couple of nights to ourselves. Not to mention getting ahead on some bills!!!! Thank- you again!!!! **Cherie Ludlow**

Dear Parents, Wow! I continue to be amazed at the generosity of SRS parents. I plan to use the extra funds to help cover the costs of Christmas gifts and baby Simon's day care, which starts in January. Thank you all so much! What a wonderful Christmas blessing! **Alice Rice**

Thank you so much for your generosity. I will be using this money for a big trip that my husband and I are planning. **Kathy Ruelas**

Dear Parents, Your generosity and thoughtfulness never cease to amaze me!! Thank you so-o-o much for the Christmas purse!! And, thanks again, for making the holidays a joyous time of year for my family and me!! **Marilyn Wright**

My tired and worn living room is getting closer to its makeover thanks to your generous Christmas check. I am always so grateful for the wonderful parents that we have at St. Rita. Wishing you much happiness in the New Year! **Diane Campos**

I decided to do something extra special with your generous Christmas Purse this year. To remember all the "5 digit" anniversaries/birthdays in 2016, I plan to purchase a painting or sculpture. I turned the BIG 5-0. I will celebrate my 15th wedding anniversary. My husband's start-up company celebrates its 5th year. Moby, my\_sweet is dog turning 5, and last but not least, this is my 5th year at SRS! I love to remember milestones with extra special things. Every time I look at it I will remember how lucky I am. Thank you so much for your generosity. It is truly appreciated -**Crissy Moberly**

Thank you so much for the Christmas cheer!! Cheered me up!! God bless, **Mrs. Sheffield**

A big Spartan thank you to all of our wonderful parents!! The Christmas Purse will be very helpful in making our Christmas bright. May you all be blessed this season and have a great New Year! **Barbara Bartush**

Once again, you have left me almost speechless with your generosity! Mind you, I said almost. Thank you so much for the awesome Christmas purse and for all that you do for us throughout the year. I am not sure how I will spend my gift, but I will probably use some of it to spoil my grandson and some to go visit my 98 year-old mother in Miami sometime in the New Year. Thank you from the bottom of my heart and may God continue to bless you abundantly. **Elena Hines**

All, Thank you so much for the Christmas purse. We have a large family and it will help tremendously.  
**Peter Smith**

Dear Parents, Thank you so much for the Christmas gift. The outpouring of your love, support and kindness is deeply appreciated. I will now be able to get my kids a couple of extra gifts for under the tree and do some much needed repairs on my car. My children and I will also be able to keep our holiday tradition of a family outing together to the movies! I hope you all have a safe and wonderful Christmas! Love, **Angela and her three Caballeros (Raul, Michael and Victoria)**

Thank you so much for the generous Christmas Purse once again this year!!! Our family got an early Christmas gift – a new puppy. Extra funds are being put to good use for vaccinations, a new crate, dog food, chew toys and carpet cleaner!! **Bernie Mount**

Dear St. Rita Families, thank you so much for your generous Christmas Purse given us this year! It was a special blessing to receive such a gift from the St. Rita School community. Please accept my most humble gratitude for your support and thoughtfulness at this very blessed time of our School and Church year. With my heartfelt appreciation, **Janice Bennett**

We will use the generous gift to celebrate our 27th anniversary. **Mary Stack**

Dear Kim and Mary (and the rest of the Parents' Club) , Thank you so much for including me in the annual holiday purse this year. I'm certain it will be utilized effectively. Although, we all know Santa will get some of the credit from my kids. As for the rest, I intend to put it in the "rainy day fund". Again, thank you so much for your generosity! **Matt Glass**

Dear Parents' Club, what a nice surprise! Thank you for the unexpected Christmas bonus. I have enjoyed working at St. Rita and with your children. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! **Jaya Jonathan**