

Parish Basket Sponsorships Overview: Bishop's Dinner 2016 Auction

Starting date: February 1, 2016 Ending date: April 1, 2016

Goals:

- Total expected basket revenue - \$7,000
(2016 revenue with 16 baskets was \$3,585)
- Pre-dinner: Generate interest and excitement at parish for the dinner
- At dinner: Promote parish pride and identity

Requirements:

- Combined value of all items in basket - \$100-400.
- One “popper” item worth at least \$75 to \$100.
- Basket generates high bidder interest and return from 1½ to 2x its market value.
- A parish person to promote the idea and work within his/her organization to donate and shop for agreed-upon basket items.
- Persons to bring basket and contents to assembly site by April 1, 2016.
- Baskets labeled with a with tag listing of every item in basket.

There are LOTS of great ideas – a few of which are listed on the following pages, and many can be found on the internet. Here are just a few website links to get your imagination started.

http://www.gossra.org/Content/100_basket_ideas.pdf

<http://www.fundraiserhelp.com/500-silent-auction-basket-ideas.htm> (list of cute name ideas)

<https://www.pinterest.com/dasasports/auction-baskets-and-other-great-auction-ideas/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/akwconsulting/raffle-baskets-silent-auctions/>

BASKET SUGGESTIONS

DRINKS/SPIRITS THEMES	RELIGIOUS THEMES	MOM and DAD THEMES
<p><u>Coffee or Tea Time</u></p> <p>Coffee brewer, grinder, flavored coffees, cups and saucers napkins/ placemats/ books on coffee, tea pots/cups/ saucers, varietal and international teas, books on tea.</p>	<p><u>Faith at Home</u></p> <p>Statues/pictures/paintings/plaques of the Blessed Mother, Sacred Heart, angels or patron saints, John Paul II; holy water fonts; candlesticks; banners; quilts; throws; pillows; Nativity sets; Crucifixes; sick sets; “Wall of Crosses” collection; outdoor statuary.</p>	<p><u>Mother’s Day</u></p> <p>Soft slippers and socks, bathrobe, hair-styling gift cards, Spa gift cards (massage/ manicure/pedicure), perfume / cologne gift sets, cosmetics, facial products, gloves, scarves, chocolates or treats, books, restaurant or housecleaning gift cards.</p>
<p><u>Wine & Dine</u></p> <p>Bottles of premium wines and champagnes, barware, crystal flutes, corkscrew sets, grocery and restaurant gift cards, books on wine, wine-tasting parties.</p> <p><u>Margarita Night</u></p> <p>All the mixers, salts and glasses – just add tequila!</p>	<p><u>Personal Devotions</u></p> <p>Saints’ biographies and inspirational books, subscriptions to Catholic periodicals, CDs, DVDs, Bibles and Bible covers, rosaries, chaplets, religious jewelry, nursery and children’s items, First Communion and/or Confirmation.</p>	<p><u>Father’s Day</u></p> <p>Tickets to sporting events, golf wear and gear, books on sports, car care items, restaurant gift cards, ties, gloves, scarves, men’s cologne sets, car wash gift certificates, wine, beer, wrist watch, games, playing cards, sports memorabilia, gardening gear, barbecue grill and tools.</p>

COLOR BASKET	WAFFLE BASKET	CRAFTY
<p>For example – yellow could be a basket of sunshine with drinks, candy, jewelry, games, etc. all in yellow to brighten your day</p>	<p>Waffle maker, mixes, syrups/jams and extra toppings, recipes, etc. to make breakfast the most important and FUN meal of the day!</p>	<p>Craft carry-all bag with tools and supplies for scrapbooking or another craft</p>

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<p>Full of ‘green’ items – natural soaps, lotions, recycled papers, meditation CD, etc.</p>

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CULINARY THEMES	ROMANTIC THEMES	HEALTH/FITNESS THEMES
<p><u>Italian Kitchen</u> Gourmet sauces & condiments, varietal pastas, cheeses, olive oil, vinegar, set of pasta bowls, gift cards to Italian restaurants and international grocery stores (Jimmy's), pasta machine</p> <p><u>Pizza Garden</u> Basil, oregano, pepper plants with gardening tools, outdoor apron along with pizza pan, cutter and indoor apron</p> <p><u>Week/Month of Meals</u> Recipes and spice/baking/soup mixes to make meals in a crockpot or quick stovetop style</p> <p><u>Cooking with Kids</u> Cookbook, parent/child matching aprons, parent/child utensil sets, dry ingredients and recipe(s) for some fun meals to make together</p>	<p><u>Bridal Shower</u> Cookbooks from Martha Stewart, Rachel Ray, other popular authors; mixing utensils; measuring cups; spoons; aprons; potholders; cutlery set; stainless steel place settings; serving pieces; blankets; placemats; tablecloths and napkins; candlesticks; picture frames; cookware set</p> <p><u>Month of dates</u> A 'bouquet' of restaurant gift cards, movie/sport/arts tickets for your area of town</p>	<p><u>Let's get fit!</u> Supplements, vitamins, shakes, protein bars, natural cleaning products, exercise ball and mat, arm and leg weights, yoga or Pilates DVD's, running shoe store certificates, leg warmers, tights, running/cycling gear, jogging suits, leisure wear, goggles, suntan products, beach wear, sunglasses, hats.</p> <p><u>Sporty</u> Put all in a gym bag – free weights, water bottle, pedometer, sunglasses, wrist/head sweat bands, protein bars</p>

INFANTS/CHILDREN THEMES	GRADUATES/YOUNG ADULTS THEMES	SPORTS & OUTDOOR FUN THEMES
<p><u>Story Time</u> Story books, hot cocoa set, baby bath products, wash cloths, towels, bath toys, bath tub, parenting books, kids' PJs by sex and size, blankets, pillows</p> <p><u>Read to Me</u> Early reader books; books on CD; early chapter books for parents to read to kids, stuffed animals and/or board games that go along with the books</p>	<p><u>In the Dorm</u> Small tool box, handy fix-it guide, laundry guide, bath and bedding items, pillows, clocks, lamps, gift cards for gas, fast-food restaurants, etc.</p> <p><u>New Driver</u> St. Christopher medal, car rosary, tire pump, car wash gift cards, maintenance schedule journal, oil change gift cards, bucket/hose sprayer/cleaners</p>	<p><u>Sports and Outdoor Fun!</u> Equipment for croquet/tennis/catch games, baseball bats/balls/gloves, kites, etc., football/baseball/soccer memorabilia or clothing, books, videos, pool toys, towels, floats.</p> <p><u>Indy 500</u> Car wash supplies, Armor All, car wax and cloths, air fresheners, CD holders, TV schedule for upcoming NASCAR races</p>