



## **“Flea” from Clutter! “Flea” from Disorganization!**

Have clutter? Getting ready to downsize? Just want to rid yourself of some extra furnishings, knickknacks, or other items?

St. B’s Flea Market is going to be accepting donations! Our Flea Market, one of our most important Outreach fundraisers, **will accept donations beginning on the evening of Wednesday, July 21, 7 pm, in the following departments:**

- Jewelry (real, costume or anywhere in between)
- Collectibles (all kinds of knickknacks, hobby pieces, figurines, bar ware, etc.)
- House Wares (pots, pans, platters, dishes, flatware, serving utensils, small appliances like blenders and slow-cookers, etc.)
- Electrical (lamps, decorative electrical items)
- Electronics (all kinds but please no tube TVs or CRT computer monitors!)
- Toys, puzzles and games
- Books (all genres, all ages – however, please no textbooks or encyclopedias)
- Clothing and accessories (all ages, kids, men and women, includes shoes, scarves, hats, etc.)
- Linens: sheets, towels, blankets, comforters, pillow cases, pillow shams, throw pillows, etc. (please no used bed pillows and no mattresses).
- Notions (candles, candle holders, etc.)
- Seasonal (Christmas, Halloween, etc.)
- Plants and Garden Items (plants, seeds, vases, planters, small garden tools, etc.)
- Sporting goods (bats, balls, tennis racquets, etc.)
- Pet Items (carriers, beds, bowls, cages, etc.)

We’ll give you a donation receipt for your tax purposes. You can just drive up and drop off– we’ll take care of the rest.

Please note: St. B’s really want things we can resell; items that are broken, stained, or in need of pieces or repair can’t be sold so please check items before donating.

**What CAN'T St. B's take?** Here is a quick rundown:

FURNITURE – no matter how good it is, no matter whether it is upholstered or not, no matter what size, we have no place to store it; we're sorry – please try a charity like Salvation Army, Goodwill, Habitat for Humanity, etc., or try a local Facebook Buy Nothing group, Freecycle, or Craigslist – Free Stuff.

BIG EXERCISE EQUIPMENT –stair masters, rowers, elliptical, etc. Again, no place to store it. Please try the outlets mentioned above.

BABY CAR SEATS AND BIKE HELMETS– Laws prohibit us from re-selling these (sorry)

**We will accept items between 7 pm and 9 pm on Wednesdays (starting on July 21) and on Sundays between 8 am and 11 am (starting on Sunday, July 25).**

And of course, we need volunteers! Volunteers to sort items throughout the summer (one night or any number of nights you can commit), and volunteers to sell items on the day of the Flea Market (Saturday, September 11, rain date of Saturday, September 18). No training, skills or resume necessary at all. We'll be using the Undercroft for all departments except clothing and accessories (those will still be in the upstairs of the Parish House). If you have kids who need community service hours, this is a great option.

Note: If you do not feel comfortable working this summer and want to contribute to the Flea Market (and to St. B's), you have other options:

- We will have items that need to be cleaned and/or polished prior to the Flea Market; please feel free to offer to do this; you can do it at home on your own time; we'll supply the goods!
- We will need people to set up and/or break down on the day of the Flea Market
- We will need people to shop the day of the Flea Market
- We will need people to pray for good weather so we don't have to use the rain date.

Any questions? Please contact Mary Helen Sprecher, Flea Market Chair, at [mhsprecher@gmail.com](mailto:mhsprecher@gmail.com) or 410-419-4543.

Thank you!