

**St. Monica Catholic School**  
**Birthday & Gift Book Program**  
**2006-2007**

Dear St. Monica Families,

The St. Monica Library's Birthday & Gift Book Program provides an opportunity to honor your child or a special friend, such as a teacher or relative, with a book in their name. The program allows St. Monica to enhance the current library collection while commemorating a special occasion such as a birthday, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, graduation or Christmas.

When a gift book is purchased for a student, SMS News will announce the student's birthday and display their gift book. The student may pick up their book, which has been checked out to him or her, from the Library anytime after the announcement is made. The book will then be taken home to enjoy with the family and returned to the Library in three weeks. Your child will be the first person to read their book.

The library encourages you to participate directly in the choice of the book.

- A book may be selected from gift books available in the library.
- A *wish list* of books is available on the St. Monica Library Web site.
- A specific book that is not on the list may be requested as well. Please provide the Title and Author and every effort will be made to accommodate your request and add it to our collection.
- Or you may advise your child's favorite author, series or select a category that your child enjoys reading from a variety of genres; and we will make a selection for you.

Please complete the form on the back of this letter. Return the form to your child's homeroom teacher or the library along with twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each book you would like to give. Checks are preferred and should be made out to St. Monica School.

Books will be ordered twice during the school year. **Requests for the remainder of the year should be returned to the library by March 1, 2007.**

Thank you for your support of the St. Monica Library. If you have any questions please contact Ruth Talkington at 214 351-5688 X146 or [rtalkington@stmonicaschool.org](mailto:rtalkington@stmonicaschool.org). Or, feel free to drop by the library and take a look around.

Blessings,

Ruth Talkington  
Librarian

Jeanne Howell  
Librarian

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