



ST. SABINA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear Parishioners,

As St Sabina's Green Team continues to strive to fulfill its mission to safeguard and cultivate God's gift of creation, they have proposed that St Sabina Parish become a totally **Styrofoam-free parish**. Prior to the pandemic, Fr. Jeff and the parish staff approved the goal to be a Styrofoam-free parish by the end of 2019. Now with the hope of some normalcy in the future, the Green Team has asked the parish to recommit to this goal by the end of 2021. Members of the Green Team are willing to work with other groups to help become a Styrofoam-free parish.

All parishioners and ministry groups are encouraged to recognize the hidden cost of Styrofoam products, including the chemical and caustic waste in producing Styrofoam; it cannot be recycled and remains in our landfills virtually forever, without the ability to decompose. The Green Team and parish staff believe by considering the total cost to our planet of these Styrofoam products compared to paper products that are more environmentally friendly to produce and will decompose with time, the practice of paying slightly more in terms of cash is well worth the hidden cost of what Styrofoam does to the planet.

We firmly believe that making this change is answering God's call to Stewardship of Creation. For more information, the following link gives good information on the benefits of choosing non-Styrofoam products and the pros and cons of alternative options:

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/guide/913/types-of-eco-friendly-food-packaging.html>.

On the following pages, the Green Team has compiled a list of comparable products available at Sam's Wholesale Club and online suppliers for estimating the small financial cost to change to paper or other environmentally friendly products. These prices were effective February of 2021. If you need the help of the Green Team, please contact Michelle Rose at 919-624-4407 or michelle-a-rose@att.net.

Thank you,

Fr. Jeff Stephan, Pastor

10 inch plates

Sam's Club

Hefty brand styrofoam plates \$13.98 per 200 or 7 cents each

Member's Mark paper plates (fairly heavy-duty) with "soak protection" \$14.98 per 204 or 7.3 cents

Chinette paper plates \$17.88 per 166 or 10.7 cents each

Amazon Smile – Earn money for St. Sabina!

Dixie Everyday Printed Disposable Plates \$19.99 per 220 or 9 cents each

<http://greenstaurant.com/> Free shipping on orders over \$99

Primeware Heavy Molded Sugarcane grease resistant & soak proof plates 500/case \$100.80 or 20 cents each

Eco-Products Sugarcane Microwave Safe grease and cut resistant plates 500/case \$112.68 or 22.5 cents each

10 inch 3 Compartment Plates

Sam's Club

Styrofoam 3 Compartment Plates \$13.98 per 200 or 7 cents each

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/restaurant-disposable-supplies.html> Price decreases with quantity

EcoChoice Sugarcane Plate 3 Compartment 500/case \$52.35 or 10.5 cents each

Fineline Conserwear 3 compartment Plate 500/case \$66.39 or 13.3 cents each

6 inch dessert plates

Sam's Club

Hefty brand styrofoam \$8.48 per 320 or 2.65 cents each

Member's Mark with soak protection \$12.48 per 330 or 3.78 cents each

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/restaurant-disposable-supplies.html> Price decreases with quantity

EcoChoice Sugarcane Plate 1000/case \$32.23 or 3.2 cents each

Tellus Disposable plate 1000/case \$33.75 or 3.4 cents each

Cold drink cups

Sam's Club

Styrofoam cups 12 ounce \$27.88 per 1000 or 2.79 cents each

Member's Mark paper 9 ounce cups \$11.38 per 396 or 2.87 cents each

Hefty 18 ounce plastic cups \$11.78 per 252 or 4.67 cents each

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/restaurant-disposable-supplies.html> Price decreases with quantity

Solo Waxed Paper Cold Cup 9 oz 2000/case \$117.30 or 5.9 cents each

Solo Symphony Poly Paper Cold Cup 16-18 ounce 1000/case \$57.31 or 5.7 cents each

Hot drink cups

Sam's Club

Styrofoam cups 8 ounce \$21.98 per 1000 or 2.2 cents each

environmentally friendly Dixie brand cups 8 ounce \$11.48 per 160 or 7.1 cents each

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Karat 8 ounce Paper Hot Cup \$59.99 per 1000 or 6 cents each

Solo 8 ounce SPP Paper Hot Cup \$56.49 per 1000 or 6 cents each

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/restaurant-disposable-supplies.html> Price decreases with quantity

EcoChoice Kraft Compostable Hot Cup 8 oz 1000/case \$69.99 or 7 cents each

Eco Products Evolution World Paper Hot Cup 8 oz 1000/case \$69.99 or 7 cents each

Take Out Containers

Sam's Club

Styrofoam 9 inch x 9 inch x 3 inch 3 Compartment Clamshell Take Out \$11.98 per 125 or 9.6 cents each

Dixie 7.75 inch x 5.5 inch x 2.5 inch 66oz Reclosable Leak Resistant Microwave safe **100% Recycled** Takeout Container \$13.94 per 80 or 17 cents each

Hefty EcoSave 9 inch x 9 inch x 3.5 inch 3 Compartment Microwave Safe Take Out Container \$13.98 per 50 or 28 cents each

Reynolds 9 inch Round Aluminum Foil with Lid \$6.98 per 20 or 34.9 cents each **Recyclable**

<https://www.webstaurantstore.com/restaurant-disposable-supplies.html> Price decreases with quantity

Choice 9 inch x 1¼ inch Round Aluminum Foil with Foil Lined Lid or \$39.49 per 200 19.7 cents each

Recyclable

Fineline Conserware 9 in x 9 in x 3 in 3 Compartment PLA lined Take Out Container 200/Case \$79.46 or 40 cents each