

St Mary's Parish Scholarship

Scholarship information:

These scholarships are in amounts up to \$1,000 and will be awarded each May to students who are members of St Mary Parish, Oskaloosa, and are currently graduating from a local high school. The various scholarship funds of St. Mary Parish, Oskaloosa were established by generous church members or by their heirs, as memorials. These funds are to assist our students in pursuing higher education opportunities.

Scholarship payments for successful applicants will be paid by the scholarship foundation to the financial aid office only of the applicant's academic institution. The payments will be in equal semester installments. (Scholarship funds are not payable directly to the applicant.) Scholarship recipients must maintain a 2-point GPA ("C" average). Failure to do so will result in termination of the scholarship. Scholarships are not automatically renewed for succeeding school years. It is the recipient's responsibility to have their college e-mail, fax, or mail an official copy of their transcript to Oskaloosa St. Mary's Business Office. Student ID and school contact information needs to be submitted to the Faith Formation Director by August 1st. The transcript from the Fall Semester must be submitted to the Faith Formation Director by January 1st. Checks will be written August 10th and January 10th to prevent late fee charges from the school. If these dates are not met scholarship funds may be forfeited.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL REQUESTED APPLICATION INFORMATION, AND ATTACH TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, A RECENT PHOTO AND ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP. RETURN TO THE PARISH CENTER OFFICE BY APRIL 1, 2020. IF THE APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE OR NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE, IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please print or type all responses on this form)

NAME _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

PARENTS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____

PROPOSED COURSE OF STUDY IN COLLEGE: _____

COLLEGE START DATE (APROXIMATE): _____ (CIRCLE ONE) FALL WINTER SPRING SUMMER

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____

(Please attach a copy of your high school transcript.)

Signature of High School Counselor (if applicable)

Date

CHURCH INFORMATION

Number of years as a member of St Mary's Catholic Church, Oskaloosa, Iowa _____

1. In the Gospels, Jesus identifies the Two Great Commandments as: Love of God and Love of Neighbor. In 100 words more or less give a statement of how you fulfill these two commandments in your daily life.
2. The "Catechism of the Catholic Church" notes the Precepts of the Church as: One, You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation and rest from servile work; Two, You shall confess your sins at least once a year; Three, You shall receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter Season; Four, You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church; Five, You shall help provide for the needs of the Church. In 100 words more or less give a statement of how you fulfill these Precepts of the Church in your daily life.
3. List any retreats, Diocesan and/or national events attended as part of St Mary's, Oskaloosa:
4. List any church ministries you served during High School (lector, Eucharistic Minister, musician, etc):
5. List any service opportunities you participated in during High School (community, parish or school):

6. List any extra-curricular activities you participated in during High School:

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. What courses of study are you considering in college and why:

2. In 100 words more or less provide a statement of your vocational and life plan:

APPLICATION ESSAY: Write a 500 word essay explaining what you value most about your Catholic Faith:

Attach to this completed application your responses to Church Information numbers 1 and 2; Personal Information number 2; the Application Essay along with two letters of recommendation, a copy of your academic transcript and a recent photo.

I CERTIFY THE INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION IS CORRECT AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, AND I HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE TO RELEASE INFORMATION CONCERNING OTHER ASSISTANCE I MAY BE RECEIVING TO THE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Return to the Parish Center Office at St Mary's Catholic Church no later than April 1, 2020 to be considered for the scholarship. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.