

2026 Catholic Service Scholarships Application
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
Saint Joseph the Worker Council 7419

Please complete this application form and return it to the Parish Office by the end of the business day on Friday, May 8, 2026. The answers to the questions must be typed and double-spaced. Total pages must not exceed three (3) pages. GPA is not a determining factor in this award. Resumes will not be accepted. The recipient(s) of the award(s) will be announced at the Baccalaureate Mass on May 31, 2026. If you have any questions or need further information, please call Director of Parish Life, Denise Elsenheimer (231-258-5021).

Please submit one personal reference from your parish's current religious education teacher, DRE, youth minister, or a parish staff member or your priest. A committee composed of the Pastor/Director of Parish Life, Senior High Youth Minister (or designate), and representatives from the Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Knights of Columbus Council 7419, and parish at large will review the answers and decide on the award recipient.

The award will be decided based on your response to the three (3) questions listed below, an interview with the committee and your personal reference.

Name _____ Phone Number: _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

High School _____

Parents'/Guardians' Name _____

College/University/Vocational School you plan to attend: _____

Anticipated Program of Study: _____

Please respond to each of the following: (Total pages must not exceed three (3) pages.)

1. Describe your involvement in the Religious Education/Youth Ministry Program during your high school years. Also include ways in which you have been of service to your parish during this time (volunteering, ministries, etc.).
2. Describe the ways you have been involved in your community throughout your high school years.
3. Why do you feel you should be considered for this award?

Submit one reference from a current religious education teacher from your parish, DRE, youth minister, or parish staff member or your Pastor.

Deadline: Friday, May 08, 2026

Finalist(s) will be contacted for an interview.

This program will be evaluated and reviewed on an annual basis.

**St. Mary of the Woods ~
St. Aloysius ~ St. Anthony of Padua
Catholic Churches
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The Catholic Service Scholarship will be provided through the support of the Knights of Columbus Council 7419 and the Faith Formation Office of the following parishes, Saint Mary of the Woods, Saint Aloysius and Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Churches.

This award recognizes a graduating senior, who is a member of one of the three parishes served by the Knights of Columbus Council 7419 who best exemplifies a student living his/her Catholic faith. Such commitments as the sharing of time, talent and treasure with our church and community, as well as participation in the weekly Sunday Eucharist, are essential. This award is an attempt to affirm Christian values within our students as well as support continued post secondary education or vocational training.

There is a \$500.00 award which is funded through the Knights of Columbus Council 7419. It is not a renewable award. Applicants must have applied for admission to college or a vocational institute. Full-time or part-time students will be eligible. The receipt of the award is contingent on acceptance to school. This award is available to all high school seniors who are members of Saint Mary of the Woods, Saint Aloysius and Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Churches.

The application form is attached with this letter. **Completed applications must be returned to the parish office by the end of the business day on Friday, May 8, 2026.** The recipient of the award will be announced at the Parish Baccalaureate Mass the last Sunday of May at the 11 am Mass. If you have any questions or need more information, please call Director of Parish Life Denise Elsenheimer at 231-258-5021.