

February 22, 2018

Dear Senior Student,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation! You are working toward a great milestone in your life, and you can be proud of your accomplishments. As a senior and member of Saint Anthony Catholic Church, you are eligible to apply for two scholarships that are sponsored by our parish. These are the Sister Shawn Marie Koopman Scholarship and the Mary Kolbe Scholarship.

Sister Shawn Marie was the Director of Religious Education at St. Anthony Catholic Church during the 1970s and 1980s. She died of cancer during her time here, and a scholarship fund was established in her name. Many people have contributed to the scholarship fund, and it has provided financial assistance to more than 100 graduates during the past 30 years. Obviously, it holds a rich tradition in our parish and is an honor to receive this scholarship.

Mary Kolbe, a retired nurse and former member of St. Anthony parish, donated funds to be used for an additional scholarship to one graduating senior. As you can tell from the generosity of our parishioners, we are excited to have our senior students go into post-secondary education and are willing to help in that endeavor.

We invite you to apply for these scholarships this year. They will be awarded on the basis of several criteria, but largely based on service to the church, school and community. We will also consider class participation, knowledge of Catholic information, and participation in retreats.

If you are interested in applying for these scholarships, please complete and return the enclosed application to the parish office by March 16, 2018. Once the applications are received, they will be reviewed by our committee, and interviews with the applicants will be scheduled for the week of March 26, 2018. Recipients will be announced at the Dollars for Scholars Awards night in May.

We hope you will complete an application and submit by March 16, 2018. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. We are eager to award these scholarships and look forward to supporting you in any way we can as you embark upon the next stage of your life.

Sincerely,

Saint Anthony Catholic Church Scholarship Committee

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